



Welcome to



Ysgol Bae Baglan

**Helping you to know your new school
2020**

Help us get to know you!



Remember most of you have been to see us many times already throughout years 5 and 6.



You may have already:

- Seen drama performances in the theatre, including our Halloween and Fireworks shows
- Taken part in our Compass for Life day
- Been to Enrichment Wednesday evenings
- Taken part in our STEM Day
- Joined Cerdd NPT music event
- Attended our Open Evening with tour of the school
- Visited for a primary sports day

So most of you will already know the school well, so don't worry.

Finding your way around the school



Mr Rees, the Head Teacher, has made a virtual tour of the school. He will take you from reception through each of the floors. Remember they are all colour-coded to make it easy. Take a virtual tour on this link.

• <https://youtu.be/1foDFIUVX-0>

It is actually really easy to find your way around and you will get used to it quickly. Here is a plan of the ground floor of the whole school.

Ground Floor Technology
First Floor ICT, Humanities

Ground Floor Expressive Arts
First Floor ICT, Language and communication

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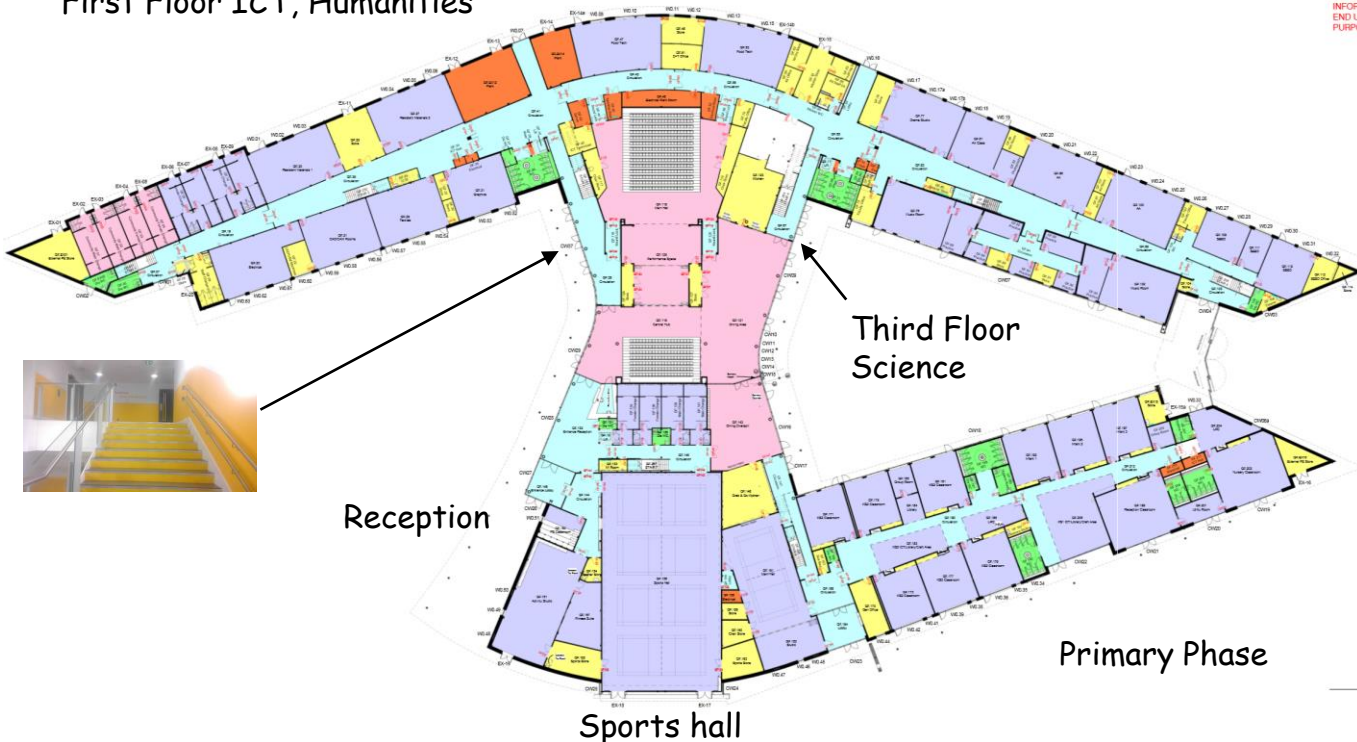


Reception

Third Floor
Science

Primary Phase

Sports hall



So what is different to your primary?

1. You may have a longer journey to school, or you may be much closer. You might even be able to walk to school.
2. The school is much bigger and there will be more people around so you will make more friends.
3. You will have different teachers and different classrooms for each subject so you will have lots of help.
4. You will follow a timetable of lessons each day of the week. The timetable will run on over two weeks. It will be known as Week A and Week B. Some subjects will be new to you.
5. You will have more books, equipment and materials to look after.
6. You will need to use a homework App, called "ShowMyHomework". It's easy to use!
7. Break and lunch arrangements will be at different times to your primary school.
8. There will be new rules and routines to learn.
9. There will be new teams and activities for you to join in with. There will be lots of break-time, lunch-time and after school clubs.
10. You will be expected to be more independent, organised and responsible for yourself.
11. You will have new challenges and new opportunities.



Meet the Middle School Team



Mr Marchant
is Head of
Middle School
(Years 5-8)



Mr Grounds is Year 7
Wellbeing Director. He
will stay with you until you
leave in year 11.



Mrs Harries is
Year 7
Transition Co-
ordinator and
pastoral support



Dr Peachey is
your Learning
Director.

Meet the Year 7 Form Teachers who you will see every day

Miss Ellie Carter



Mr Kevin Evans



Mr Dave Hayward



Mr Peter May



Miss Gemma Jones



Miss Annette Stead



Meet the Year 7 Form Teachers

Miss Clare Thomas



Mr Gareth Thomas



Mr Roger Thomas



Dr Gerrard Willis



We really want to start answering any questions you may have. Please use Flipgrid, which has been explained by your Year 6 teachers. You can send a written question, audio message or a small video and we will answer as soon as we can.

Meet the LSC staff



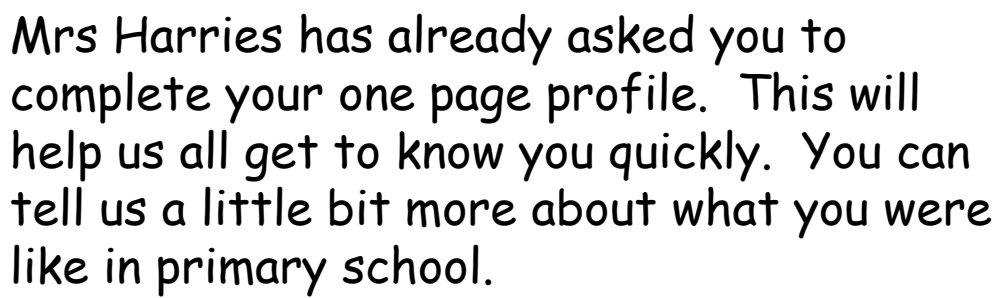
Mrs Prescott
is ALNCO.



Mrs Lewis is
teacher in
charge of
statemented
pupils



Mrs S Davies
supports pupils
with IEP's



What didn't you like?

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How do you feel about starting at Ysgol Bae Baglan?



What are you excited about?

What are you worried about?

Do you have any questions?

Remember start talking to us using FlipGrid - you can post a written question, audio message or video.

Times of the day

The school day	Time:	
First bell	8.25	Start making your way to reg.
Day begins	8.30	
Registration	8.30 - 8.55	
Lesson 1	8.55 - 9.55	
Lesson 2	9.55 - 10.55	
Break	10.55 - 11.15	
Lesson 3	11.15 - 12.15	
Lesson 4	12.15 - 1.15	
Lunch	1.15 - 1.50	
First preparation bell	1.50 - 1.55	Start making your way to lesson 5
Lesson 5	1.55 - 2.55	
Day ends	2.55	Enrichment clubs

Timetable

You will have a timetable that will show you what you have over two weeks. It will look a little like this:

It will tell you: **subject, teacher's name, room number.**
You will also see if you have any **Intervention (help).**

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	Drama Mrs E Jenkins EA2	HI Support Miss L Whitney ExpressiveArt	PSE Miss A Stead HU2	HI Support Miss L Whitney ExpressiveArt	Science Mrs K Sutton SC 5
2	Mathematics Mr R Thomas MA3	Technology Mrs J Lewis TE1	Geography Miss L Preedy HU6	Technology Mrs J Lewis TE1	Mathematics Mr R Thomas MA3
3	History Mrs C Morgan HU5	English Mrs M Probert LC12	HI Support Miss L Whitney ExpressiveArt	Science Mrs K Sutton SC 5	P.E Miss J Curran Gym7
4	Science Mrs K Sutton SC 5	Geography Miss L Preedy HU6	P.E Miss J Curran Gym7	Mathematics Mr R Thomas MA3	Religious Educ Mrs D Clarke HU3
5	English Mrs G McGowan LC9	Science Mrs K Sutton SC 5	IT Miss J Hole HU9	English Mrs G McGowan LC12	Art Mrs D Noonan EA6

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3	Technology Mrs J Lewis TE1	Mathematics Mr R Thomas MA3	English Mrs M Probert LC12	Drama Mrs E Jenkins EA2	English Mrs G McGowan LC12
4	IT Miss J Hole HU9	English Mrs M Probert LC12	Technology Mrs J Lewis TE1	Music Mrs M Pennington EA1	P.E Miss J Curran Gym7
5	Mathematics Mr R Thomas MA3	P.E Miss J Curran Gym7	HI Support Miss L Whitney ExpressiveArt	HI Support Miss L Whitney ExpressiveArt	Science Mrs K Sutton SC 5

You can also find your timetable on
"ShowMyHomework" (It also has an app).



Have a look at the YBB timetable, try and answer the following questions:

1. What time does the school day begin? _____
2. How long is break time? _____
3. How many lessons will you have before break time?

4. What time does lunch start? _____
5. When does lunch end? _____
6. How many lessons are there after lunch?

7. What time does lunch end? _____
8. When does the school day end? _____
9. Where must you be between 2.50 and 2.55?

10. How long is each lesson? _____

Lunch-time

Lunch is at 1.15pm.

There are lots of seats to sit on. You will need to queue in a line for your food. There are different queues in the canteen for different types of food. There is a 'set meal' canteen in the Lower School hall.



Remember to check which doors are the 'in' and 'out' doors.

If you want to buy lunch at school you need to use ParentPay.



We will organise this as soon as the current situation allows. Do not worry about it now. A letter will be sent home to parents to set up the biometric system.

Once money has been added to your account, you can use your fingerprint in school to pay for your lunch.

Our Uniform

School uniform can be viewed and purchased online or from the Sportec showroom in Neath Abbey which is currently operating at limited times. Items can be delivered to your home address.

Ysgol Bae Baglan
Middle School Uniform (Girls)

 **Sportec**
Embroidery & Printing Ltd.



DARK GREY - PURPLE TRIM
KNITTED V-NECK PULLOVER
(BRANDED WITH SCHOOL LOGO)



WHITE SHIRT (UNBRANDED)



BLACK SKIRT



BLACK TROUSERS



TIE

Sportec Embroidery and Printing Services Ltd
Unit 5, Abbey Road Industrial Estate
Neath, West Glamorgan SA10 7DN
Tel: 01639 632250
Email: sales@sportec.co.uk

The PE kit can also be seen and purchased in the same way. You will need all black footwear and additional footwear for PE.

See our school website for more details
<https://ysgolbaebaglan.j2bloggy.com>

Remember to #choosekind which is our Middle School moto

- Always try and be **polite**



- **No** hitting or pushing

- Get ready to work when the bell rings



- Always sit down and listen to your teacher or support



- **No** shouting or being rude



- **No** running inside the school

- Always try your **best** at everything you do



You will be rewarded for working hard and helping others with our rewards system called PERX.

You can help yourself (and others)...

1. Check each morning, or even the night before, that you have everything you need for the day at school (eg books, equipment, materials, homework, notes)
2. Read your timetable to help you know what you need and what you will be learning each day.
3. Take care of your bag and other belongings in school throughout each day.
4. Make sure uniform is complete and neat (and bring PE kit on the days it is needed)
5. Check your homework on SMHW every night to make sure you have work completed and brought back to school at the right time.
6. Always follow instructions and rules, which are necessary for good order and safety in a large school. Good behaviour is very important.
7. Get involved in teams and clubs to help you enjoy all that school offers and make more new friends





Your Year 6 teachers will send you details of our Transition Lockdown Project. Here is a summary.



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Local Heroes Challenge

We would like to introduce the Local Heroes Exhibition and Film Challenge in conjunction with Tai Tarian, with funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. There will be weekly challenges at <http://ptlocalheroes.wordpress.com>. We are creating a film and an exhibition about three of Port Talbot's cinematic heroes: Richard Burton, Sir Anthony Hopkins and Michael Sheen but we know that there are many more heroes in Port Talbot, and we would like to hear from you, during lockdown, about your local heroes. We hope that the challenges will be inspirational, aspirational and motivational.

In summary the our challenges are:

- Who is your local hero and why?
- Letters from Lockdown
- Inspiration - then and now
- Talking is good

Send your completed challenges to Jennifer James at Tai Tarian jennifer.james@taitarian.com

Share pictures of you enjoying the project on Twitter work [@TaiTarian](https://twitter.com/TaiTarian) or [@YBB_Middle](https://twitter.com/YBB_Middle)

What next?

- Form teachers will make telephone contact with someone at home
- We will let you know if we are able to give you a tour of the school
- We will contact you via other platforms, if possible
- Please follow us on Twitter @YBB_Middle

We are looking forward to you being a part of our school

See you as soon
as we can!





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