



Friday Flyer

Sports Week Special

Annwyl Rhieni,

What a brilliant week it has been! Every class has had some kind of sports or outdoor activity every day this week. Nursery and Reception were helped along by our Year 6 pupils at their sports day. A big thank you to the staff and children who helped organise and run the day.



Dosbarth Meithrin made the most of the peace and quiet this morning spending some time playing in the school grounds – it was very quiet here without the rest of the school but we enjoyed it!



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Bae 3 have had a great week starting off with a triathlon, followed by football and netball tournaments and sports day. In the the sports day cup competition Tîm Glas won overall!



We've had fantastic involvement from parents too this week with our Netball and Football matches which were very competitive! Thank you to those parents who came to join in and support the events– we hope you enjoyed! Next year it was suggested we should hold a rounders match too – great idea! It's a lovely way to meet other parents and join in with our school community.

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The children had an amazing time down at the beach today. Well done to Year 6 who supported Reception children going down and coming back – you are brilliant! A massive thank you to the staff and parents who came along for finding a great way to finish off our sports week. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

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Our Learning 'We have a right to learn & be the best we can be.'



Reception and Year 3 have had a visit from Spectrum as part of Wellbeing Wednesday this week learning about healthy relationships. Year 3 had a great time making a relationship soup!

Dr Edwards has been in to talk to the children about hatching eggs as part of their learning about life cycles in Bae Dau. The children are watching the incubator carefully and checking the eggs with Dr Edwards. They also met Daisy and Dandelion!



OLD WATERPROOFS OR COATS PLEASE

We need old clothes especially waterproofs that have 'poly' materials in them. Please send any old items you have into school as soon as you are able. We are planning to recycle the materials to create outdoor shelter covers.

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Pupil voice 'We have the right to have our say'

Dosbarth Langland ran another successful Freeze Friday as part of their pupil voice this term. Dosbarth Three Cliffs are busy with their Eco voice this term. They have sent letters to parents looking to reduce waste in lunch boxes and they will be looking to see if there is any reduction in waste next week. They are also going to be working with a local artist, Kate Kneath, on a litter project to raise awareness of litter in the community.

Dosbarth Rhossili have been thinking about how to improve Welbeing for their pupil voice project this term – I have a lots of emails from them full of great ideas. I need to reply to them now! You'll see some of these ideas very soon I'm sure.



School meals

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

With the roll out of universal school meals, many of those eligible for free school meals are no longer registering. If children are eligible schools receive additional funding to support learning or help families with the cost of trips and visits. Families can also get help with school uniform.

IF YOU THINK YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU REGISTER

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION [Free school meals - Swansea](#)

REGISTERING HELPS YOU AND THE SCHOOL IN SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD

PLEASE NOTE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

Our online payment provider for school meals and trips is changing from September. We will no longer be using sQuid, and the new provider will be CRB Cunningham's.

We advise that you run the balances down before the end of term, as school meal accounts will start from a 'fresh' £0.00 balance in September.

Next steps:

1. **Use up balance:** Please ensure any remaining balance on sQuid is used up before the end term. If you are still in credit on your sQuid account at the end of term, then you will need to request a refund from sQuid directly. Link to the sQuid webpage available here:

[Contact :: sQuid \(squidcard.com\)](https://www.squidcard.com)

2. **Parent account registration:** Onboarding information will be provided to parents in the first few days of the school term, to allow you to set up the account and load funds. Please be assured that all pupils will be able to order a meal in the first few days until the account has been activated and these meals can be paid for once you have activated and loaded funds.

We value your voice - Pennard Primary Parent Feedback May / June 2023 'We have a right to have our say'

We want to hear your views on our school, what we are doing well and what we could improve more. Please take part in our parent feedback by completing our Parent Feedback form. We share the results with you and Governors, and use information alongside our pupil voice to improve our school. We are also asking about interest in after school club and wrap around for nursery, if there was an option would you like your child to stay in nursery all day? Let us know your thoughts.

Please complete the form here - <https://forms.office.com/e/f7tQMAFPJQ> Diolch yn fawr!

We'll keep the form open until Monday 26th June 2023.

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School Target 2022– 2023: 96.5%

Current Whole School Attendance to date: **93.4%**

We are having lots of holiday requests which is having an impact on our school attendance overall. Please note that I cannot authorise holiday requests if attendance falls below the school attendance target of 96.5%. Our current attendance is well below our pre Covid rates. Attendance at school is important both academically and for social/emotional reasons. Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances.

Finally,

Another thank you for your support this week.

Mwynhewch yr penwythnos!

Kerina Hanson

Pennaeth – Headteacher

Dates at a Glance

Event	Details	Dates
Community Events	Pennard Carnival weekend	7.7.2023
	Full Governing Body Meeting	13.7.2023
	End of Year performance Bae 3 / Y6 Leavers	19.07.2023
	Summer Fair	20.7.2023
School Trips/ Visits/ Events	Sports Week	12 to 16.6.2023
	Pobbles Willow Court	19 to 23.6.2023
	Bae 3 Big Pit	20.6.2023
	Urdd music Workshop	21.6.2023
	Y6 London visit	22 and 23.6.2023
	Bumbles of Honeywood	22.6.2023
	Siarter Iaith Arian	29.6.2023
	Zambia School Visit (2 weeks)	3-7.2023
	Carnival Workshop day Bae 2	4-7.2023
	Y6 transition Activities	3 to 5.7.2023
	Pupil Reports to parents	14.07.2023
Term Dates	Monday 17 th April 2023 – Friday 26 th May 2023 Summer Half Term Bank Holidays – Monday 1 st May / Monday 8 th May (Coronation) Monday 5 th June 2023– Monday 24 th July 2023 (INSET Day – last day for pupils Friday 21 st July)	
INSET days 2022 -2023	Monday 5 th September 2022 Friday 2 nd December 2022 Friday 23 rd December 2022 Friday 10 th March 2023 - Now confirmed by Welsh Government Monday 24 th April 2023 Monday 24 th July 2023 – (3 x twilights through summer term for staff)	
INSET days 2023 -2024	We have planned 2 of our INSET days so far but will aim to finalise the days in the next week or two. NB Welsh Government have allocated 6 INSET days for 23-24 Friday 1 st September 2023 (apologies I had this as Monday previously Friday 1 st is correct) Monday 9 th October 2023	