**Ysgol Gymunedol Bodnant Community School** 



## **Newsletter**

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#### WORLD BOOK DAY



The school celebrated World Book Day last month, by inviting children to come to school dressed as a character from a favourite story book or in their pyjamas. Members of the School Council decided that they would like the whole school to look at the same author for the day and they chose David Walliams.

#### SAINT DAVID'S DAY CELEBRATIONS





The children had wonderful St. David's Day in school, last month. They were invited to come to school in the colours of the Welsh flag or in national costume and the whole school sang Welsh songs in service.

Pictured left, are Year 1 children, who were very creative and had fun making designs for Welsh flags out of sports equipment.

Year 2 children had great fun baking Welsh cakes and Year 3 wrote and performed their own verse.

# Urdd Eisteddfod



The first and second rounds of the annual Urdd Eisteddfod took place last month. The Eisteddfod provides an opportunity to showcase Welsh talent in singing, recitation, drama, instrumental competitions, folk singing, cookery and much more.

On the weekend of Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, several of our pupils competed in the County round of the competition at Ysgol Y Llys. It was a very successful day for Bodnant with several children taking first and second places.

The second round of the competition took place in Llangollen on the 16<sup>th</sup> March. Huge congratulations to our Year 3 pupil and the Drama Group who both attained first place and are now through to the national competition which takes place in Maldwyn in May. Our children also achieved second and third places and we are extremely proud of their hard work and commitment.

Da iawn!



**Year 5** children attended their **Children's University Graduation Ceremony**, at the Pavilion Theatre in Rhyl on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Each pupil had completed and logged over 30 hours of learning outside of the classroom and submitted their hours to Wrexham University. The ceremony celebrated learners from schools across Denbighshire and Conwy and family members were invited to come and watch too.

The children had the opportunity to wear a cap and gown and were invited on to the stage to collect their certificates. They were entertained by Mr Phormula and watched an inspirational video message from Colin Jackson CBE, the chancellor of Wrexham University.

Children were then invited to the after party in the **1891** restaurant, where they could relax and have their photographs taken.









Bodnant's Budding Scientists

Year 5 children have been learning about plants this half term and have been planting seeds and making stop motion animations that explain the life cycle of a plant.



Pictured here, the children are dissecting daffodils and finding out about photosynthesis.



## IT'S WORLD BOOK DAY!



The children all looked fantastic in their costumes and were given a National Book
Token to the value of £1 to exchange at a selection of high street retailers.

Pupils also had the opportunity to enter a competition entitled 'Read With Me', where they were asked to bring in a photograph of themselves reading with someone else or a pet.



As part of 'pupil voice', it was decided that the School Council would also judge the competition and the winners would receive a fiction book as a prize.



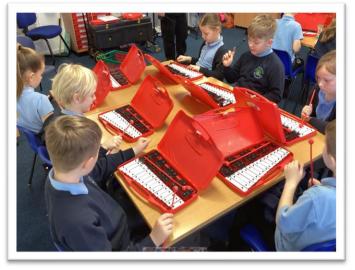
#### Denbighshire First Music Experiences

**Year 3** children had the opportunity to learn a variety of instruments last month, as part of the **Welsh Government initiative**, **'First Experiences'**.



It is part of the National Music Plan and aims to introduce a variety of musical instruments to the children.







Pictured here with the children is Jonny from the Denbighshire Music Cooperative, teaching the children to play the xylophone and the glockenspiel.

#### Global Recycling Day 2024







Global Recycling Day took place last month, on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March and we held a special whole school Eco service to mark the occasion. The children spent the day learning about recycling, pollution and how it effects the environment. We held a 'book swap' session and a costume sale to emphasise the importance of recycling goods and several of the classes spent time litter picking.



## Nursery Garden Donations











The Nursery children have been enjoying their new garden.

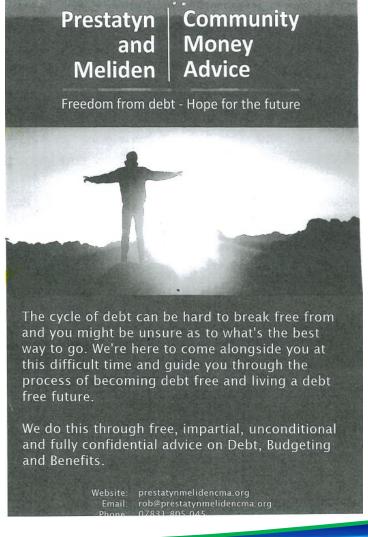
A huge
thank you to
everyone
who has
kindly
donated
items.
Your
support is
very much

appreciated.

## Eco-Schools

Year 6 children recently enjoyed a workshop presented by Catrin Higgit, from Dwr Cymru / Welsh Water. The children were given an insight into how safe, clean drinking water is provided and the process it goes through to reach peoples' homes. Catrin explained what happens when waste water is treated and how our rivers and beaches are kept clean. The children also learned the importance of conserving water and were given tips on how to reduce usage. The session was very informative and hopes to equip children to become water ambassadors with an understanding of climate change.







### STARS OF THE WEEK















#### AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES



























# Siaradwr Cymraeg Yr Wythnos









#### SPORTS NEWS

#### **Denbighshire Cross Country Athletics**

Bodnant children recently took part in the **Denbighshire County Cross Country Athletics** finals.

Every child that took part is now ranked in the top 25 in Denbighshire for their age category.



Mr Batterbee said
"A very impressive
and proud
performance from all
the children involved."



Congratulations to our Year 4 pupil, pictured above, who won first place in the Year 3 and 4 race, by a considerable margin. The is a wonderful achievement.

#### **Boy's Football Friendly**



The Year 6 boys' football team have been playing several 'friendly' matches over the past month.

The first game was won by Ysgol Melyd, however, Bodnant triumphed in the away game and won 6-2.

The team also played Ysgol Clawdd Offa on the 18<sup>th</sup> March at home and won by 10 goals to 2. Well-done team!



#### Swimming Success for Heidi

Congratulations to Heidi who has won two medals in her first inter-club swimming gala, in Llandudno, 'The Menai Meet'.

Heidi secured a gold medal for the backstroke and a bronze medal in the freestyle.

There were thirteen clubs participating, so this is a fantastic achievement.





# Prestatyn Cricket Club Beach Close, Prestatyn

2024 Season atyn Cricket Club atyn Cricket Club atyn Cricket Club

Come and join us!

First FREE taster session -Friday 12th April

Is Then, nes Every Friday (weather nts permitting) 6:30 - 8:00pm

Ages 5 - 15 (Fees apply from this date)

For further information, contact Sian Hughes on 07801965782 (junior secretary)





Coaching for all
Learn new skills
Get active
Make new friends
Competitive games
Fundraising events



ACTIVITY	DAY	TIME	PICK UP POINT
American Foot Ball Club Year 6	Monday	4.30pm	Main Reception
School Council	Monday	3.20 - 4.00	Year 5 Entrance
Gardening Club	Monday	3.20-4.30	Year 3 windy tunnel
KickIt – Reception – Year 2	Tuesday Starting 16 <sup>th</sup> April	4.30pm	Main Reception
Reporters' Club (Year 5 and 6)	Tuesday	3.20-4.15	Main Reception
School Choir – Years 3, 4, 5, and 6	Wednesday	3.20 – 4.15	Main Reception
Cricket – Years 5 and 6	Thursday Starting 18 <sup>th</sup> April	3.20 – 4.20	Main Reception

#### SWIMMING LESSONS

Year 6 children will start swimming lessons from <u>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024.</u> The cost will be **£12.00** for the 6 weeks, and this will shortly be available to pay on your child's ParentPay Account. Children will need a swimming costume and a towel, and they can come to school wearing their PE kits on the days that they are swimming.

DATE	TIME	CLASS
	YEAR 5	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	5AV-T / 5CVN
,	YEAR 6 – 6 WEEKS	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	9.30am – 10.00am / 10.00am – 10.30am	6HL / 6RB

# Neek Beginning Monday 8th April is Week 2

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Choice	Tomato and Vegetable Pasta Bake	Savoury Quorn Mince Topped with Sauté Potatoes and Cheddar Cheese	Vegetable Bites	Quom Sausage, Stuffing and Gravy	Cheese and Tomato Quesadilla
Sweet	Dairy Ice Cream Pot	Chocolate Rice Krispy Bar	Steamed Apple Sponge with custard	Fruit Jelly	Granola Bar
WK 2 Main Meal	Fish Stars Seasoned Wedges Garden Peas and Sweetcorn	Beef Bolognaise Pasta Garden Peas and garlic Bread	Spanish Chicken in a tomato and vegetable sauce with boiled rice	Roast Pork Apple Sauce Gravy Roast Potatoes Carrots and Broccoli	Sausage Chips and Beans
Choice	Vegetable Nuggets	Quom Bolognaise	Vegetable Burritos	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Quom Sausage
Sweet	Fruit Yoghurt Pot	Chocolate Crunch Cake	Fruit Crumble and Custard	Homemade	Chocolate Fudge
WK 3 Main Meal	Macaroni Cheese Homemade Tomato and Herb Bread Sweetcom/Peas	Sausage, Omelette Hash brown and Beans	Oriental Chicken Dish Boiled Rice or Noodles and Naan Bread fingers	Roast Chicken Stuffing Gravy Roast Potatoes and Country Vegetables	Fish Finger Chips and Mushy Peas
Choice	Macaroni Cheese	Quom Sausage Omelette	Oriental Vegetable Dish	Quom Burger Stuffing Gravy	Veggie Nuggets
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#### Prestatyn Primary School Term Dates 2023/24

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August 2024						
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Staff Training (INSET) Days (School closed to pupils)

Please note:

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April are for Prestatyn Primaries only (Not PHS)

Monday 4th September, January 8th and April 8th for Prestatyn High School only (Not primaries)

All Prestatyn schools have Friday 1st September, Monday 6th November and Friday 19th July.

School Holidays (also Bank Holiday 6th May)

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DATES FOR THE DIARY						
DATE	EVENT					
SPRING TERM 2024						
EASTER HOLIDAYS - MONDAY 25 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH TO FRIDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL						
SUMMER TERM						
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to school					
Thursday 18th April	Year 3 Trip to Welsh Mountain Zoo	All day				
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 6 start swimming lessons for 6 weeks	AM				
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 6	2.30pm				
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 5	2.30pm				
Monday 29th April	TEACHER TRAINING DAY	All day				
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	TEACHER TRAINING DAY	All day				
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 4	2.30pm				
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	MAY BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY	All day				
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	9.15am				
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day for Year 3 and 4	9.15am				
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day for Year 5 and 6	9.15am				
Friday 10th May	Sports Day for Nursery AM and PM	TBA				
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 3	2.30pm				
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent Information Meeting (Parent Forum)	9.00am				
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Photograph					
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 2	2.30pm				
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Coffee and Catch-Up Year 1	2.30pm				
SUMMER HA	LF TERM - MONDAY 27 <sup>TH</sup> MAY TO FRIDAY 31 <sup>ST</sup> MAY					
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Coffee and Catch-Up Reception	2.30pm				
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Trip to Danger Point, Talacre	All day				
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Coffee and Catch-Up Rainbow Room	2.30pm				
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Parents who could not attend Coffee and Catch-Up	2.30pm				
$24^{TH}$ June to $28^{th}$ June	Glan Llyn Residential Trip	5 days				
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Information Meeting	3.30pm				
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Party 6.30pm until 8.00pm	6.30pm				
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Service - Parish Church, High Street, Prestatyn	2.00pm				
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Summer Term					