Ysgol Gymunedol Bodnant Community School



NEWSLETTER

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Monday 4th November 2019

The Erasmus Project

We are now part of a 2 year Erasmus + project, with schools in Spain, Czech Republic and Latvia. Last week 6 pupils travelled to Uherské Hradiště in Czech Republic to stay with host families. The children experienced life and culture in the Czech Republic, attending school lessons and visiting various tourist attractions. They have now made good friends with children from all of the countries. Pupils and teachers from Spain, Czech Republic and Latvia will all be visiting us in March 2020 and we will be taking more children to visit Latvia and Spain next school year.



Year 2 Wear it Wild Day



We raised money to help the endangered animals and have adopted a lemur for the year 2 classes called Stumpy (he only has a short tail) as we learnt all about Lemurs in Madagascar when we went to the Welsh Mountain Zoo. https://www.d urrell.org/wildlife/a dopt/ring-tailedlemur/



Urdd Sir Ddinbych 2020 Proclamation Parade

Bodnant school were represented at the Eisteddfod yr Urdd Sir Ddinbych 2020 Proclamation parade held on Saturday 5th October 2019 in Prestatyn.

This event was to celebrate the Urdd Eisteddfod's visit to the area in 2020.



School Entrance Gates

In line with the Denbighshire county council travel plan, a legal document produced after consultation at the design stages of the extension to the building, states that no drop off/ collection of pupils will take place. All drop off / collection of pupils will be on Nant Hall road.

To this end, the gates shall continue to be closed and locked both in the mornings and afternoons.

When the new term begins, on the 5th November, access to the front of the school is via intercom entry only. This is for staff and school visitors only. Parents with pupils will not be admitted through the gate but will be directed to Nant Hall Road.

Author Steve Skidmore is coming back to Bodnant Thursday 7th of November.

He will do a half hour to 45 min service with years 1 and 2 in the hall at 10am followed by visits to the Foundation Phase classes that morning. He will also visit reception classes to read them a story during the morning. He will then be in the hall selling and signing books. At 3:30 he will be giving a talk to parents followed by another chance to buy a signed copy of a book. Can we please ask for a contribution of one pound per child to help towards the cost of the visit which will be on ParentPay.

Join the Urdd

Urdd Gobaith Cymru is a National Voluntary Youth Organisation with over 55,000 members. The Urdd Eisteddfod will be visiting Denbighshire in 2020! The Eisteddfod Maes will be held at Kilford Farm near the town of Denbigh. As a school we will be entering lots of the competition from dance, craft competitions, recitation and rap! We want to encourage as many children as possible to take part. To enter any of the competitions you must be a member of the Urdd. You can join up on the Urdd website - https://www.urdd.cymru/en/join/

The individual membership fee is £8 each or £20 per family. After 9 January 2020, individual membership will increase to £10, and family membership to £25.

Go on and sign up before the early bird price comes to an end on 9th January 2020!

Urdd Gobaith Cymru

Thanks to everyone who sent in stickers for out charts. I am pleased to tell you that Bodnant have sent in two completed posters the. to competition, maximising our of winning chances the £20,000 prize. We will keep you posted if we are lucky enough to receive anything.





Anti Bullying Week 11th - 15th November On Tuesday 12th November we are having an odd socks day to promote diversity and inclusion. Please send your children to school in odd socks!





PTA Shopping Event

Thursday 28th November

<u>6pm – 8pm</u>

Would you like a stall at our event? Table tops are £10 each. Pop into reception to find out more and to **pick up a booking form.**

Scholastic Book Fair!

A Scholastic Book Fair is a fun, pop-up event that's all about books. A Book Fair is a celebration of reading that puts the very best books directly child's into your Mobile hands. bookcases packed with over 200 of the newest and best books from over sixty publishers will be available. With books starting from only £2.99, plus exclusive titles that you won't see in the shops or at any other fairs, there's sure to be a book for everyone!

The next fair will take place in school between the 29th November and the 4th of December 2019.

School Gateway App

We will soon be introducing a new app for the school. Please provide us with your email address to be able to access information from the school.

Schoolgateway

School Gateway: keeping you up-to-date with your child's school life, wherever you are.



Shoebox Appeal

Each year teams4u run a nationwide shoebox appeal to provide Christmas gifts to vulnerable children and families. It is over 25 years since teams4u originated the idea of the 'Christmas Shoebox', asking children in the UK to fill

'Christmas Shoebox', asking children in the UK to fill shoeboxes with stocking fillers for Romanian orphans. In 2015, teams4u celebrated the 25th Anniversary and returned to Cluj-Napoca, Romania to re-visit Dave's original partner from 1990 Liviu Balas, and brought shoeboxes to the marginalised communities there. The current need is still extraordinary and the power of the shoebox has never faded.

Please be a part of this ongoing story that is continuing to impact and change lives by donating a shoebox to this year's appeal!

Please return your shoeboxes to school reception by the 5th of November 2019.

www.teams4u.com

DATES FOR THE DIARY		
DATE	EVENT	TIME
AUTUMN TERM		
Monday 4 th November	STAFF TRAINING DAY	ALL DAY
Friday 8 th November	Year 4 Swimming	10am
Thursday 21st November	Nasal spray flu vaccine	All day
Thursday, 28 th November	Christmas Fair Shopping Event	6pm - 8pm
Friday, 29 th November	Scholastic Book Fair, 29/11/19 - 04/12/19	ALL DAY
Monday, 9 th December	Year 3 Concert - School Hall	6pm
Tuesday, 10 th December	Year 4 Concert - School Hall	6pm
Wednesday, 11 th December	Year 5 Concert - School Hall	6pm
Thursday, 12 th December	Year 6 Concert - Pendre Avenue	1.30pm & 6pm
Thursday, 12 th December	Pupil's Christmas Dinner	
Friday, 13 th December	Pantomime ~ Snow White ~ Pavilion Theatre, Rhyl	10.00am
Tuesday, 17 th December	Foundation Phase Carol Concert, Parish Church Early Years, Reception & Siblings 10am – Year 1&2 1:30pm	10am & 1:30pm
Wednesday, 18 th December	Children's Christmas Fair - School Hall	TBA
Friday, 20 th December	School Closes for Christmas Holidays	3.20pm
SPRING TERM		
Monday, 6 th January	School Re-opens for Spring Term	
Friday, 24 th January	Key Strings	
Thursday, 30 th January	Young Voices	
3rd ~ 6 th February	Netherlands Trip	
Tuesday, 11 th February	Parent's Evening	3:30pm onwards
Wednesday, 12 th February	Parent's Evening (siblings)	3:30pm onwards
Monday, 2 nd March	School Eisteddfod	
Thursday, 5 th March	World Book Day	
Thursday, 2 nd April	Easter Bingo	TBA
Friday, 3 rd April	Easter Competition	
	SUMMER TERM	
Monday, 20 th April	School Reopens for Summer Term	
Please note: Monday 4 th May will <u>not</u> be a Bank Holiday. It has been decided nationally that the Bank Holiday will take place on Friday 8 th May		
Tuesday, 19 th May	Foundation Phase Sports Day	AM
Wednesday, 20 th May	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day	AM
Thursday, 21st May	Years 5 and 6 Sports Day	AM
Friday, 19 th June	Summer Fair	2pm - 4pm
Friday 26 th June	STAFF TRAINING DAY	ALL DAY
Thursday, 16 th July	Leaver's Service and Disco	
Friday, 17 th July	School closes for Summer Holidays	