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## Spring Term Newsletter 1 January 2017



Welcome back to all of our pupils! Another term has started and fun activities have been prepared and planned for. You should receive your child's topic plans today to show you what is taking place in school and ways you are able to help and support them at home. If you do have any queries please speak to your child's class teacher or myself and we will aim to help.

### Attendance

An amazing 122 pupils received prizes during the last week of term. 43 pupils achieved 100% attendance and a further 79 pupils achieved #challenge95. We are delighted as this means just over 50% of pupils were in school for more than 95% of the autumn term. Our target is 94.5% for the year, we are currently just below at 94.2% - please help us exceed our target by sending your child to school on time every day.



### Clubs

These will start back next week (from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January). Choir will now take place on **Thursdays**. If your child attends Urdd or Choir then these clubs will be taking place in the top building (where Year 5 & 6 are based), please collect your child from the red gates.

### Packed Lunches

From Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January, all food which pupils having packed lunches do not eat will remain in their boxes and return home with them. This is to help you know what is eaten in school. Our school is a Healthy School and we would ask if you could minimise the sweet treats sent to school with packed lunches.

### Christmas Cards

We are taking part in the RCT Christmas Card Recycling Challenge. Will you send any Christmas cards (plus envelopes) into school please?



## Bad Weather Precautions

If the yard is icy early in the morning and to ensure pupil safety, only the yard gates next to the canteen will be opened (gates on the main road will be open as usual).

If the weather is severe enough to close the school then texts will be sent to notify all parents. It is really important that we have your correct mobile phone number and if you have changed your number, can you double check that school has the correct one? Schoop messages will also be sent and it will be highlighted on school and class twitter accounts.

## Gates

We would like to remind you that the gates to access the school are closed between 9am and 3pm, access into school during these times is via the main school office. If your child is in part time nursery then staff will open the gate for you as usual.

## Dates for your Diary

5 <sup>th</sup> January	Dosbarth Glas (Year 2) Petra Publishing Parent and Pupil Workshop (weekly until February half term)	9.30am-11.30am
13 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 3 & Year 4 Swimming (this is weekly until Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April)	Children need to be in school on time
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2: Techniquet Trip	
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Dosbarth Gwyrdd (Reception) Parent Assembly - all parents / carers welcome	2.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Internet Safety Day	
16 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Council Meeting	3pm
<b>20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>: February Half Term</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> March	St. David's Day - pupils are encouraged to dress in rugby shirts or welsh costumes (competition information to follow)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day - children to bring their favourite book in	
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Dosbarth Gwyn (Year 4) Parent Assembly - all parents / carers welcome	2.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week (watch this space for interesting activities)	
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Dosbarth Arian (Year 5) Parent Assembly - all parents / carers welcome	2.30pm
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Dosbarth Porffor (Year 3) Parent Assembly - all parents / carers welcome	2.30pm
<b>Easter Holidays: 8<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>		