



Ysgol Gynradd Afon y Felin



Newsletter 40- Week ending Friday 10th November 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

CHILDREN IN NEED

The School Council, led by Miss Evans have been busy arranging lots of fun activities for supporting Pudsy Bear and Children in Need. They have decided they would like the children to dress up in their Pudsy/Children in Need clothing OR something spotty OR your pyjamas! If you would like to make a money donation (no matter how small) this will be collected on the day and sent to the charity. We also have some merchandise to sell on the day: Headbands £2, wristbands £1, badges £1

THE CAPTAIN'S RUN

What an absolutely fantastic experience for our children! Year 6 representatives watched the Welsh Men's Rugby Team to play The Barbarians in their final training session at the Principality Stadium, they got to meet all the players including captains Jac Morgan and Dewi Lake, as well as speaking to and meeting Leigh Halfpenny on his final international game. The children's behaviour was fantastic and they were praised by the WRU team. The children socialised in the Players Lounge meeting Head of WRU Community, Geraint John and receiving free tech devices for the school for their digital learning. We will continue our partnerships with the WRU as PS3 begin their Ospreys in the Community project for literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing. Mr Cottle will also be leading the school in the WRU digital Minecraft competition to build the Club of the Future.

HARVEST

A huge DIOLCH to Dosbarth Deri and Mr Brown for leading our Harvest assembly for the whole school and parents. We would like to thank those of you who made food donations for our Harvest collection. All your kind donations will get sent to the local Foodbank to provide help for those who are in need.

Afon Dance sessions

Children in Progression Step 3 (Class 5 and Class 6) have been enjoying their creative dance sessions with Rhian from Afon Dance. They have been linking the learning in the classroom and expressing this through dance. Their science theme has been Energy looking at different types of fuels and energy use in their daily life and of course, sustainability and renewable energy. The children are looking forward to showcasing their work to their parents this coming Monday 13th November at 2.40pm. Please come to the main door for entry. The Showcase will not last more than 30 minutes for both classes.

PFA Volunteers needed

We are encouraged by some of the offers of help for our PFA group. A further meeting was held and it was lovely to see some new faces. We really hope it will be possible to hold some Christmas events for all the children and would encourage anyone who feels they can give a little time to our PFA group to get in touch with Mrs Hill so she can pass on your details to Mrs Ward and Miss Mears who are currently trying to organise future events.



Headteachers Awards from week ending Friday 10th November 2023

Nursery	Isla Rose Evans	Reception	Keegan Beecham
Year One	Ava- Lee Downing	Year Two	Mason Baseley
Year Three	Faith Clarke	Year Four	Antony Nicholls Lexie Andrews
Year Five	Andre Cruz Underhill Esme Gaudion	Year Six	Leo Penny

Dates and General Information

Tuesday 14th November FINAL Girls Rugby Session with Charlie Mundy.

Wednesday 15th November Dosbarth Deri (class 6) Ospreys in the community programme- session 2

Wednesday 15th November School Council Meeting until 4.15pm

Friday 16th November PCSO Will- talks for Dosbarth Helyg (3) and Dosbarth Deri (6)

Friday 17th November CHILDREN IN NEED DAY led by The School Council.

Saturday 25th November Bridgend Schools Cross Country -Brynteg Comprehensive School

REMINDER: Please can you ensure that when your child is absent from school that you contact us via phone or e mail so that we can authorise the absence for your child. Mrs Hill is in the office between 8.55am-3.15pm to receive any calls/ e mails. Please be advised that contacting the classteacher of an absence via DOJO STILL requires you to contact Mrs Hill with a phonecall to authorise the absence.

Diolch to all our parents for your continued support

Mrs Denise Jones

Head of School

