

Ysgol Gynradd Penclawdd Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda! I hope you had a wonderful holiday with family and friends and are super recharged for the new term! We have a very exciting and fun term planned!

This term, our topic is 'Beast Creator'. We will be beginning the topic next week with a trip to Amazonia in Clydach and an online art workshop where we will complete a bug painting for our art exhibition later in the term. I'm sure the children will have lots of wonderful ideas about the things they'd like to learn about too and I will let you know more when we have had our planning meeting.

If you have any worries or concerns during the school year, please email/call the office and I will give you a call back. Non-urgent messages can be sent via Seesaw. Please remember that my door is always open and if I happen to not be available, the children will continue to be supported by the fabulous Miss Smith so feel free to catch her during the morning drop off or pick up and she'll be sure to pass on the message.

King Regards,
Mrs Percival

Our January 'Right of the Month' is

Article 29—The right to be the best you can be



Attendance

Please inform the school office if your child is unable to attend school by 9.15am each morning. Many thanks



This term, we will be celebrating...

Date	Event	Location
17th Jan	Amazonia Visit	Amazonia
25th Jan	Dydd Santes Dwynwen	In school
Jan 30th - Feb 3rd	National Storytelling week	In school
Feb 1st	World Read Aloud Day	In school
Feb 3rd	NSPCC Number Day (Further details to follow)	In school
Feb 6th	Time to Talk Day	In school
7th - 10th Feb	Children's Mental Health Week	In school
Feb 8th	Safer Internet Day (further details to follow)	In school
15th—17th Feb	Urdd Cardiff	Cardiff
Feb 10th	Dydd Miwsig Cymru	In school
Mar 1st	Dydd Gwyl Dewi Sant	In school
Mar 2nd	World Book Day (More details to follow— parents invited from 9am)	In school
March 13th - March 17th	Science Week	In school
March 15th	Y6 Art Exhibition and sharing the learning event—1.30pm— Parents invited	In school and the hall
March 17th	Comic Relief (more details to follow)	In school



Please read the HT Blog for additional whole school calendar dates.

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We regularly update Twitter with lots of pictures of the fabulous things that are going on in and around our school.



PPA and Management Time

My PPA (Planning, Preparation and Assessment) and Management time is on Thursday. During this time, the children will be taught by Mrs Williams and will cover literacy, maths, PE and RE

PE

PE will take place on a Thursday and Friday PM. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit or bring to school — school t-shirt, school jumper, leggings/joggers/shorts and trainers.

Outdoor Learning

Outdoor Learning will take place on Friday PM. Please ensure your child brings wellies and a coat as currently they will be unable to access the provision without these items.

Homework

Homework will start next week. Children will be sent Literacy/Maths (alternating) homework each week. In addition, children will be given a topic homework menu and they can complete additional homework tasks from this if they wish. Homework will be sent out on a Friday and should be returned the following Thursday.

Spelling

Spelling will be sent out on a Friday for children to learn. Strategies to support your child in learning their words will be sent out separately.

Times Tables

Children are learning their multiplication tables using TT Blast weekly. Children know which level they are working on. All children started at Bronze and are progressing through all the tables at their own pace as they learn them during the school year.

Reading Books

We will continue to use Oxford Owl. In addition, children will bring home an additional reading book and are asked to bring their book and reading journal to school daily.

Fruit

The fruit trolley is available every day and pupils can bring 30p daily to purchase fruit. Many thanks.