## **Ysgol Gynradd**

# **Penclawdd**

**Primary School** 







Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had a great Christmas and are ready for the Spring Term.

Our topic this term will be Potions which has a scientific focus. In this topic we will develop the children's knowledge of materials. They will learn the properties of solids, liquids and gases, recognise hazardous materials and how and why medicines such as anaesthetics were developed.

If you have any knowledge/ interest in the above then we would love to hear from you.

Mrs Garcia



#### **Attendance**

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

Our January 'Right of the Month' is

Article 29 —'We have the Right to be the Best we can be.'

EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL
WEAPON WHICH YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE
THE WORLD - NELSON MANDELA



### This term, we will be celebrating...

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Date	Event	Location
25th Jan	Dydd Santes Dwynwen - 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	school
Jan 30 <sup>th</sup> - Feb 3rd	National Storytelling week	School
Feb 1st	World Read Aloud Day	School
Feb 1st	Y4/5 Harry Potter Trip	London
Feb 3rd	NSPCC Number Day	School
Feb 6th	Time to Talk Day	School Hall
Feb 7th-10th	Children's Mental Health Week	School
Feb 8th	Safer Internet Day (further details to follow)	School
Feb 10th	Dydd Miwsig Cymru	School
Feb 15-17th	Residential Yr 5	Cardiff
Mar 1st	Dydd Gwyl Dewi Sant	
Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup> -	World Book Day  (More details to follow— parents invited from 9am)	School
March 13 <sup>th</sup> - March 17th	Science Week	School
March 17th	Comic Relief	School
March 22nd	Y4/5 Sharing the learning	Y4/5
	2pm-3pm parents` invited	Class

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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.



### **Class Information**

#### **PPA and Management Time**

My PPA (Planning, Preparation and Assessment) time is on Tuesday AM. —The children will be taught by Mrs Williams for Literacy and Numeracy.

#### PΕ

We will have 2 sessions of P.E. Every Monday pm and Friday pm. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit—school t-shirt, school jumper, leggings/joggers/shorts and trainers.

#### **Outdoor Learning**

Outdoor Learning will take place every other Monday pm. Please ensure your child brings wellies and a coat.

#### **Homework**

Homework will be sent on a Thursday to be returned the following Wednesday.

#### **Spelling**

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

#### **Times Tables**

Children will be tested on their multiplication tables weekly. Children will work on rapid recall of the multiplication and division facts of each multiplication table. All children will begin on x2 this Friday and will know their target table to practice for the following week. J2Blast is a great way to work on your target table and will be used regularly in school as a tool to learn multiplication tables.

#### **Reading Books**

The importance of regular reading cannot be underestimated. Please ensure Reading Records and books are brought to school every day. Reading Record books are monitored on Friday. Children must read at home at least twice a week for at least 10min.

#### SeeSaw

Please check regularly to keep updated regarding news and learning.

#### <u>Fruit</u>

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