

Welcome Back!

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda pawb! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break. The pupils have made a fantastic start to Year 1, and we are all excited to continue this incredible learning journey together as a team.



Year 1 Top Tips



Morning Snack

If you would like your child to have morning snack can you please bring £1 in every Monday or 20p in daily.

PE - Wednesday

'Real PE' sessions will continue to take place **every Wednesday afternoon**. Children will need wear weather appropriate PE clothing and footwear to school on this day.

Every Wednesday - Please remember to bring in your Home Reading Book Bag and spelling books to give us enough time for them to be changed, ready to go home every Friday.

Home-School Communication

Our **Class Page** is regularly updated with information and reminders. We also share messages on Twitter.

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Curriculum News

SPRING 1
EDITION



Cymru am Byth



Our topic for the whole Spring term is called Cymru am Byth.

We will be exploring the creativity and uniqueness of Welsh artists and musicians, and recreate some of their work. We will identify what makes the Welsh arts so special, and how we can all contribute to the sense of 'cynefin'.

The lessons planned will be based around pupil voice and what the class would like to learn about in relation to the topic. We have lots of special guests coming into school to demonstrate their wonderful talents.

LITERACY, LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATION

This term we will be focusing on our use of grammar within our writing. We will also be improving our knowledge of phonics, allowing us to become Ambitious Owls when conducting extended pieces of writing.

Please help to support your child's progress by listening to them read at home daily and practicing their spellings weekly.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

We will be developing our knowledge and understanding of emotions and how emotions are presented differently for every person.

During our PE sessions we will first focus on learning the 'Jac y Do' Welsh dance ready for the school Eisteddfod.

MATHS & NUMERACY

Our focus will be around our knowledge of the number system and how we can apply these skills in our lives. We will work on subtraction as well as developing our estimation skills.

Please help to support your child's progress by practicing their basic number skills. We will continue to use 'Big Maths' to develop competency skills in area.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

This half term we will continue to develop our knowledge of experiments, more particularly how to record, display and interpret results.

We will continue to utilise experiments that are propelled by Pupil Voice. We aim to develop scientific minds in Year 1 that are inquisitive and curious about the world around us.

Humanities

This term we will be focusing on exploring Islam by looking at the features of a place of worship and the similarities and differences to other religions.

We will also be exploring our local area and identifying places of worship.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS

As our new topic is based around Music and Art, we will provide the pupils with unique experiences where they explore and create their own musical compositions. Likewise, we will appraise and develop our knowledge of artistic techniques and apply these to our own pieces of art.

We will explore the various music opportunities within the Cardiff and surrounding area.