

Newsletter

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Ysgol Sant Dunawd

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A message from the Headteacher

We have had a very busy fortnight packed with awe and wonder. Our Eisteddfod was a huge success; we were treated to a wide variety of performances, from tap dancing to poetry recitals.

Science week also provided some exciting experiences for the children, which helped to develop their curiosity skills. These past two weeks have highlighted how ambitious and confident our children are; eager to learn new and interesting facts and really making the most of the experiences on offer.

As always, there's lots of important information to share in this newsletter. Should you have any issues or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me,

Dion Griffiths
Headteacher

Ysgol Sant Dunawd's Eisteddfod

On Thursday 16th and Monday 20th March, the whole school came together in the hall to celebrate over 850 years of traditional Welsh culture and heritage in our annual Eisteddfod. We were treated to an action packed program of creativity and performance—and the children did not disappoint!

Children were competing for points for their houses. They earned participation points for entering competitions, and further points were awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.



As well as live performance, the children had entered various creative competitions such as:

Photography, Art, Cookery and Design Technology. There was tension and excitement as winners were announced throughout the afternoon.



[Eisteddfod highlights](#)



[Bake Off highlights](#)

All the points were counted and the overall winning house was Dyfrdwy, their house will be engraved on our Eisteddfod shield. Children with the most points in each year group were also presented with a medal; it was clear that participation points made a big difference.



Dosbarth Clywedog's Easter Service

Dosbarth Clywedog will be leading an Easter Service on **Friday 31st March at 9:30am** in Sant Dunawd's Church, Bangor-On-Dee.

Even though the service will be led by children in Dosbarth Clywedog, we are inviting all families of Ysgol Sant Dunawd to watch. Following the service, parents of children in Dosbarth Clywedog are welcome to stay for refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there!

Science Week

Our children had a wonderful time during Science Week. Xplore, Wrexham brought their Star Dome into school to provide the children with an *out of this world* experience!

A big thankyou to our PTA for funding this. I would also like to extend my thanks to Lorraine Hampson for bringing in her mini beast/ bug collection to explore with the children.



Show and Share

Thank you to everybody who came to Show and Share on Friday 17th March. It was lovely to welcome parents, grandparents and other family members into school to spend time with their children talking about learning. [Click here to give your feedback on the event!](#)



Free School Meals for children in Year 1 and 2

After the Easter break, Universal Free School Meals will be rolled out to all year 1 and 2 pupils. More information about is included in the email.

So that cook can ensure enough food is ordered for the return to school, if your child is in year 1 or 2, please let us know whether they will be opting for a school cooked meal. Click on [this link](#), or the button in the body of this email.



Proudly in partnership with:



March/ April
 28th March—PTA's Easter Bingo night
 29th March—Glan Llyn information meeting (Zoom)
 30th March—Dosbarth Ceiriog's Creative School celebration event
 31st March—Dosbarth Clywedog's Easter service
17th April—INSET Training Day for Staff—School Closed
RESCHEDULED 18th April—Cardiff residential meeting (in person)
 26th to 28th April—Glan Llyn residential visit

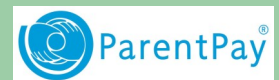
**** Attention Dosbarth Ceiriog Parents ****
 You are invited into school on Thursday 30th March to celebrate and share the learning from the Lead Creative Schools Project. Over the past 12 weeks, the children in Ceiriog, have worked with local creative practitioners to develop their creative habits. Come and see what they've learnt and meet the practitioners on Thursday 30th March anytime between 2:30pm and 3:30pm.



Ramadan
 On Monday 20th March, we were joined by Irtifa's parents for a special assembly about their faith, Islam. Mr and Mrs Sharif created a very informative presentation and answered the children's questions about Ramadan. We are looking forward to welcoming them back into school later on in April to talk more about Eid. Until then, we wish all our Muslim families, 'Ramadan Kareem'.



This week's Hot Chocolate with the Head superstars



At a glance

Whole School Weekly Attendance

🥳 **97.9%** ↑
Target 96.8%

Dinners, Trips & Clubs