

Newsletter

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 Ysgol Sant Dunawd
 @YSD_BOD

A message from the Headteacher

It's been another busy week for us all at Ysgol Sant Dunawd. The children have been busy learning lots about their new topics, as well as getting involved with extra-curricular clubs.

You may have heard your children humming or singing some new songs lately; they have impressed me with their ability to learn and remember new songs. Last week we learnt Bob Marley's *Three Little Birds* and this week we've been learning *Great Big God*.

As I'm sure you've gathered, I am a huge advocate for the Arts, particularly singing, so please don't be surprised if your children are belting out *Delilah* next week in preparation for the Six Nations.

I'm excited about what's ahead for our little school, and I'm always looking for new and fresh ideas. As always, should you wish to discuss or share any ideas, please do not hesitate to catch me on the gate, or contact the school office.

Dion Griffiths
Headteacher

Ysgol Sant Dunawd's PTA

The PTA met on Tuesday evening at the Buck and had a very productive meeting. They are planning some exciting events and competitions to raise funds for school.

Here's a taste of what's planned for the remainder of the Spring term, more information will follow:



Half Term week



Thursday 16th February



Easter Bingo Night Tuesday 28th March

Follow our Twitter Page

We share lots of information on our website and Facebook page, but to get a real feel for all the wonderful things your children get up to in school, you must follow our Twitter page: [YSD_BOD](https://twitter.com/YSD_BOD)



Our Twitter feed is updated daily; its bursting and thriving with photos, videos and learning in action.

National Story Telling Week

Next week we are celebrating National Story Telling Week. We've got lots of exciting activities planned, and teachers are looking forward to visiting different classes to share their favourite childhood stories with the children!

We are also challenging our children to complete **The Extreme Reading Challenge!** Tweet a photo of your children reading their books in unusual and out-of-the-ordinary places!



An example could be on a climbing frame or on a trampoline (children have been asked to be mindful of being safe and to check with an adult first). The more creative - the better! We would love for families to get involved as well so please feel free to join in.

Tweet and tag YSD_BOD by Thursday 2nd February

School Meals

We've noticed lots of food waste recently, and cook is worried that children may be going hungry! Please make sure that your children are involved in deciding what meals they have, this way we can ensure they enjoy what they have chosen.

Welcome
We are extremely excited to be welcoming two new teaching assistants into the Sant Dunawd Family!

Mrs. Davies will be assisting in Dosbarth Ceiriog and Mrs. Wilkinson will be assisting in Dosbarth Alyn.

A big thank you to Mrs Wilson and Mrs Williams who have been with us on supply in these classes.

Have your say - Parent Voice

Parent's views are vital to ensure we work together for our children. We really care about what you say and we are always interested to know your thoughts and opinions on learning and school life. **Please complete the questionnaire using this link or the button in the body of this email.**

<https://forms.office.com/e/2hxdcwbOWX>



Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher

Nursery places 2023

If your child turns 3 years old before August 31st, it's time to apply for your nursery place.



Please tell your friends!

Ysgol Sant Dunawd can offer:

- ★ A nurturing, happy and successful school
- ★ Experienced and dedicated staff and confident pupil role models
- ★ Creative learning experiences both inside and outside the classroom
- ★ Focus on Inquiry Based Learning
- ★ Strong Welsh ethos
- ★ Breakfast Club and a variety of extra-curricular clubs
- ★ Beautiful and extensive rural setting next to the River Dee
- ★ Excellent on site wrap-around childcare provision provided by:



At a glance

Whole School Attendance

94.0%

Target 96.8%

Extra-curricular clubs

	3:15pm - 4:10pm
Tue	Netball club
Wed	Football Club Art Club
Thu	Cookery Club Performing Arts Club

Dinners, Trips & Clubs

