

Newsletter

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15th September 2023

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A message from the Headteacher

Swimming and Library Visits

Welcome back to another exciting school year at Ysgol Sant Dunawd! I hope you all had a fabulous summer filled with sunshine, adventure, and maybe a little too much ice cream (that's what summers are for, right?) As we gather for our first newsletter of the year, I can't help but feel a burst of energy and enthusiasm, for what this year has in store.

Firstly, it's been wonderful to welcome all of our children back into school last week. They've come back into school with such positive attitude and appear really happy to be back into school - seeing their friends again and settling back into school routines nicely.

May I take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to our new Nursery and Reception children and their families, as well as new families who have joined further up the school. Your children have made an amazing start to their time at Ysgol Sant Dunawd and have been a credit to you. Thank you for the part you have played in preparing your children to start school again.



Lastly, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our families, for your support during this transition back into school. I appreciate the challenge that early mornings and routines pose on families after the summer breaks, but you all have made this transition back into school as smooth as silk!

As we embark on this new school year together, we're filled with optimism and excitement. It's going to be a year of learning, growth, and memorable moments, and we can't wait to share it all with you.

As ever, should you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact school—we'll be happy to help.

Dion Griffiths
(Headteacher)

Sizzling Success—Welcome Back BBQ

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA and staff for the sizzling success of our 'Welcome Back BBQ! Our school grounds were transformed into a carnival of laughter, delicious smells, and joyous reunions.



We owe a big shout-out to all the parents who lent their time, and the culinary expertise of our wonderful cook, Sharon and Mr. Wyeth. Their grill skills rival those of Gordon Ramsay! I'd also like to thank New Directions agency for lending us their inflatable shoot out.

Our PTA are always looking for new members. They have an exciting plan of fundraising events for this year and would love the support of new parents. If you're interested in joining the PTA, please contact them via their Facebook Page, 'Ysgol Sant Dunawd PTA'.

Children in Clywedog have had a splash-tastic start to the year. This week's swimming session was a huge success, not only for the refreshing dip but also for the valuable life skills they're gaining. Please remember, children leave school at 9:00am promptly for their lessons, so they need to be in school on time!

In addition to swimming, Miss Morris has managed to secure a weekly slot at Wrexham Library! This week the children visited this treasure trove of knowledge, and had a workshop led by one of the fantastic librarians.



Libraries are magical places where imaginations take flight, and the world becomes a canvas for young minds to explore. We hope these visits inspire a lifelong love of reading and learning.

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We were visited by PCSO Dean Swayer before the summer, as speeding and parking issues have been raised by local residents. As a school we strive to ensure the safety of our children first and foremost. To help us with this, we kindly request that you refrain from parking on the pavement around the school and surrounding roads. Additionally, the speed limit in this area is **20mph**, so please drive cautiously and responsibly. Let's work together as a school community to protect our children on their journeys to and from school. We would hate for any parent to receive a speeding fine.

Lunchtime and Snack

Miss Morris and the School Council would like to thank everybody for their support in making our school a healthier place. We are so happy that all children now bring a piece of fruit or veg for snack! Let's keep this up!

Also, a reminder that since September, the rollout of Free School Meals to the remaining years is in place. School meals are free of charge for children in years Reception to Year 6. Meals can still be pre-ordered through Parent Pay.

Uniform and Forest School

Thank you parents for sending your children back into school looking smart and in the correct uniform. Please remember that all children should wear their PE/ Forest School kits for school on their allocated days.

PE Kit: plain black shorts/ jogging bottoms, white/ house colour t-shirt, plain black sweatshirt/ hoodie, trainers.

Forest School Kit: dark plain jogging bottoms, plain long sleeved top, plain dark sweatshirt/ hoodie, spare old trainers or wellington boots. (children should wear their school shoes to come into school)

Class	PE Day	Forest School Day
Alyn	Wednesday (Come in PE Kit and we will put waterproofs over)	
Elwy	Monday	Wednesday
Ceiriog	Friday (Come in PE Kit but bring waterproofs and spare footwear.)	
Clywedog	Tuesday and Friday	Thursday

Parent & Toddler



Join us at Ysgol Sant Dunawd for brew while the children play.

Parent & Toddlers

Learning through creative play!

Every Tuesday 9:00am - 10:30am

Starting on 26th September

To book your place call 01978 780 757 or email mailbox@santdunawd-pri.wrexham.sch.uk

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Does your child turn 4 by 31.08.24? If so, apply for a Reception place now!

RECEPTION OPEN DAYS

Tuesday 10th October and Tuesday 14th November



Join our Sant Dunawd family!

- Visit our **awarding, happy and successful** school in action.
- Meet our **dedicated** staff and **confident** pupil representatives.
- See our excellent on site **wrap-around childcare** provision.
- Learn about the **engaging opportunities** we offer our children in our beautiful and extensive rural setting next to the River Dee.

To book a space on one of our guided tours please contact us on:

01978 780 757
mailbox@santdunawd-pri.wrexham.sch.uk

Extra Curricular Clubs

An email was sent out yesterday about clubs. Please ensure you complete the form attached to it, so that your child doesn't miss out

E mails

We have updated our subscriber list for receiving emails from school. If you are not receiving emails, or would like to register another email please complete this [form](#).

At a glance

Whole School Annual Attendance

93.7% Target 96.8%

Dinners, Trips & Clubs

