

# Newsletter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

## Class News- Explorers Phase

#### **Dosbarth Draenog (Nursery)**

This week we enjoyed spending time on the big yard with our Reception Class friends and playing on the trim trail at the front of our school. We thought about what we have most enjoyed during our time in Nursery and what we are looking forward to when we go to Mrs Brophy's class.

We enjoyed developing our creativity by using pre-used packaging to create models and painting beautiful pictures. We talked about what we could reuse or recycle in order to help our world then played a recycling game on Purple Mash where we sorted the rubbish into different recycling bins.

Our sound of the week was 'i' and our Maths focus was on using comparative language such as 'bigger', taller' and 'heavier'.

We talked about what food and drinks we would like for our Teddy Bear's Picnic which we will be having on Monday 15th, hopefully outdoors if it stays dry.



## Dosbarth Wiwer

This week we continued 'The Magic Roundabout' drawing club. We have drawn a character from a book that we would like to blow bubbles with.

We have enjoyed our monster phonics reading club.

We have been reflecting on a wonderful year and we have been thinking about all the things we have learnt to do whilst we have been in Reception.

We have drawn our 'Look at me now' pictures and enjoyed comparing them to our drawing way back in September.

We enjoyed another fabulous afternoon in forest school.

We can't believe we only have a week left in Reception class.



#### Class News- Adventurers Phase

#### **Dosbarth Gwdihw**

What a busy week we have had in Year 1!

We have been working hard to tell the time on an analogue clock, focusing on o'clock and half past. We learnt how many minutes were in an hour and noticed that we could see our 5- and 10-times tables on the clock face. We even looked at quarter to and quarter past.

On Wednesday we had an amazing time at the Jambori where we sang Welsh songs, learnt new Welsh words and even got squirted with a water pistol. Martyn Geraint told us that Ysgol Acrefair were the BEST singers:) Da iawn pawb!

The children have been busy in the areas showcasing their own learning, we have had diagrams of the dwarf planets, split pin clocks, a detailed programme about the Jambori with Welsh words, lots of secret messages and traps for Zog (our class alien) drawings of flags from around the world and so much more!









#### **Dosbarth Llwynog (Year 2)**

This week we had an assessment week. We have been busy showing our skills and completing the final spelling, phonics and maths tests.

On Tuesday we had a great time at the Jambori with Year 1! We loved dancing and singing to all the Welsh songs. Martain Geraint was really funny and sprayed us all with water!

On Wednesday we used a planning frame to plan our own imaginative fiction tales. We have designed characters and settings so are now ready to write them next week.

Later in the week we started our minute to win it class challenges. We split into teams of 4 and have completed quick fire tasks like stacking cup relay, pom pom pick and apple stacking. Once we have completed our challenges the winning group will be crowned!



### **Dosbarth Robin Goch (Year 3)**

This week we have learned about the different features of a river. We watched a video showing the sourcal, a river all the way to the estuary. We matched the key features to their descriptions. After that we showed all our knowledge by creating a collage of the route of a river showing the key

features. They looked great.

We had a lovely time in Forest School.







## Class News-Pioneers Phase



#### **Dosbarth Gwennol (Year 4)**

This week we have continued to learn all about money. We have been adding and subtracting money and we have been solving problems using money. We have begun our project on Roman catapults where we have researched what they were used for and what different types of materials they were made out of. We have then used this information to design our own Roman catapults in groups. We sketched our designs and thought about what materials we could make them out of. We then had to consider what materials we could make a catapult out of using materials that we have in school. We have then decided if these materials would suitable. We are looking forward to making and testing our catapults next week. Yesterday we had lots of fun making rice krispy cakes and cupcakes for our treat day today. We are very excited to have our end of year treat day today full of all the things that we have requested to do.

#### **Dosbarth Eryr (Year 5)**

What a week! Ysgol Acrefair are the Cefn Community Council Olympic Champions. We are so proud of all the year 5 and 6 children, all of whom represented the school brilliantly and contributed to the team effort! On Monday, 16 year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school at Cross Country, running around Ty Mawr, including up and down some steep slopes! Then, on Wednesday, all year 5 and 6 walked to Plas Kynaston to represent the school in the multi - sport Olympics. We had a clean sweep of golds in the 200m races, had some flying sprinters and amazing relay teams to bring success on the track. In the field events, we had some awesome archers, brilliant boules players, fantastic throwers and accurate beanbag into bucket competitors!

The highlight of the day was the tug-o-war competition, with the year 5 and year 6 teams picking up a gold and silver between them in front of their cheering teammates!

It was lovely seeing so many children on the podium and supporting each other throughout the day. Every single child contributed to the school's success, and they represented the school brilliantly both whilst competing and watching the sports!





A highlight of our week this week was the Cefn Mawr Community Olympics.

We have loved getting ready for our events back at school and we have a wonderful time when the big day arrived.

Every single one of us took part in an event, competing in activities such as running, throwing, archery and obstacle races. A highlight of the day was the tug of war competition!

We couldn't believe the success that we had during the day and the number of children who won medals for the events that they took part in.

As the day progressed and we saw lots of children coming first, second or third we were really hopeful that we may lift the cup however the schools that we were competing against were amazing too so we didn't want to get our hopes up! When the time came though we were the overall winners and we were so excited to lift the trophy as a team!

Everyone who took part in the competition earned points towards our final total so this really was a wonderful whole school achievement that everyone can be very proud of. Well done everyone!

The children in school have made cards to thank everyone at Cefn Community Council for their hard work organising the Olympics but once again, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved for the time that they have given to preparing for the event and making it all run so smoothly on the day.

We talk about creating magic moments for our children and the big day was full of them.

Well done everyone!

















