

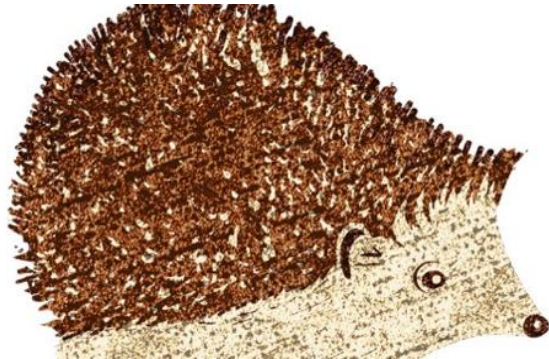
Newsletter

Friday 27th September



Class News- Explorers Phase Dosbarth Draenog

This week we enjoyed planting Autumn bulbs in our outdoor area; we are looking forward to seeing the flowers they grow into in the Spring. Our maths focus was on the number 2. We learnt a song about 2 little dicky birds to help us to understand number 2. In literacy we played a listening game on the interactive whiteboard. We had our first visit to the school hall for a PE session where we practised our balancing skills and learnt how to find a space and move in different ways. In our MyHappymind sessions we were introduced to 'Happy breathing' and talked about how it helps our brain to rest when we have been busy or when we feel sad. Our Welsh session with Fflic a Fflac introduced us to the words 'dwr (water) and 'llaeth' (milk) which we are using at Amser snac (snack time). We also talked about our senses and which parts of our bodies help us to hear, see and smell. We ended the week with a lovely Autumn walk around the school.

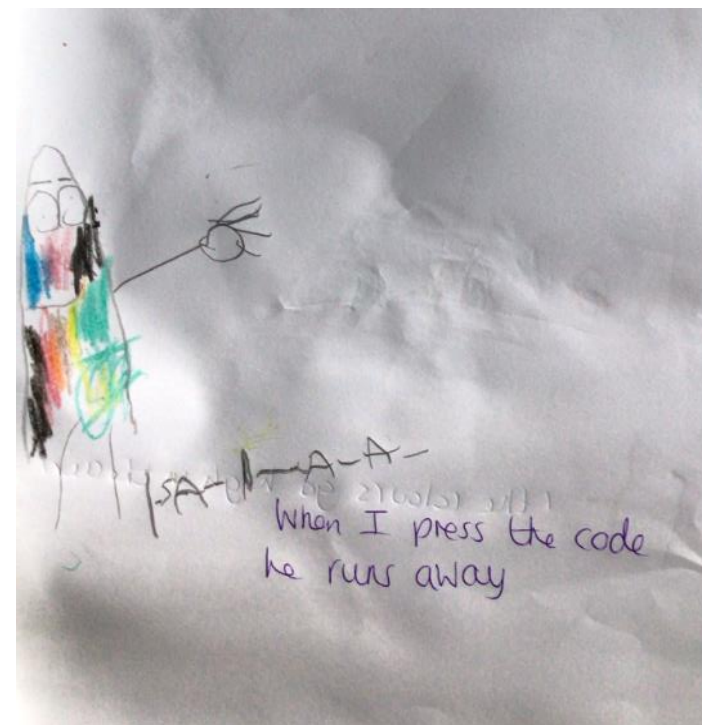


Dosbarth Wiwer

This week we have started Drawing Club. We enjoyed the book 'The Colour Monster'. We have been writing codes and using our imagination. We have been writing the letter t and l in our squiggle sessions and in Monster Phonics learning the sounds –m b and g.

We have been talking about families and how we all different families. We drew our families for our wall display.

We enjoyed a PE session in the hall playing lots of listening games and moving our bodies in different ways. The Leader came in to take our class photo for the paper.



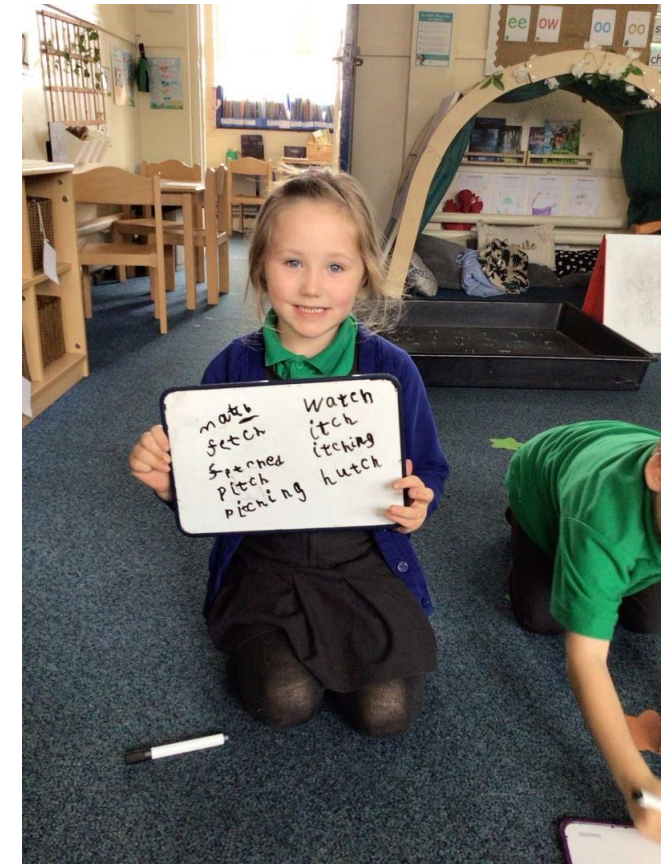
Class News- Adventurers Phase

Dosbarth Gwdihw

This week we have been busy retelling our story of the Little red hen. We have looked at characters and setting within our story and drew our own farmyard scene with an unusual animal on it.

In maths we have been looking at 1 more and creating word stories with Play-Doh to represent these.

We enjoyed learning about our brain in My happy mind and drew some wonderful pictures of our brain.



Dosbarth Llwynog (Year 2)

This week we have looked at the beginning, middle and end of our Jack and the beanstalk story. We created an overview of the story on story mountains and are becoming more confident retelling the story using our story map.

We have looked at place value and shocked Mrs Rosen by using base 10 to make numbers in the hundreds and some of us have started thousands too!

We have enjoyed looking out for the signs of Autumn and have been busy collecting leaves from our outdoor area. We have looked closely at how individual each leaf is and enjoyed sketching them before painting them with water colours.

Archer had the idea of making leaf crowns too which was lots of fun!

What a beautiful time of year it is!



Dosbarth Robin Goch (Year 3)

This week we have had our first session with the music cooperative. We had a fantastic time with Mrs Evans. We made lots of noise as we were learning to play a pbuzz.

We have found out about the features of a river. After finding out, we have decided how we are going to show 'How a river Flows' in our own way.

In PE we have been practicing different footwork skills. We were applying the skills we learnt whilst doing the daily mile in the afternoon.



Class News- Pioneers Phase



Dosbarth Gwennol (Year 4)

We started our week by working together to programme our Micro:bit compasses using what we learned last week. It was wonderful to see the class working so well together to help each other. Next we looked at the purpose of a compass and what each reading means- for example why we needed to input '<45 degrees' to obtain a reading of North. This led to our work on angles where we have learned to recognise full, quarter and half turns along with the associated number of degrees. We've also learned how to recognise right angles, acute angles and obtuse angles.

We've used Talk for Writing to map out our stories then used 'innovate' to adapt them with our own ideas. We've started to write our story openers and are uplevelling these using some of the words that we found when we practised using a thesaurus earlier this week.

We are really growing on confidence in our swimming sessions now. Our swimming teachers in Chirk are blown away by the progress that we've made during our lessons so far.

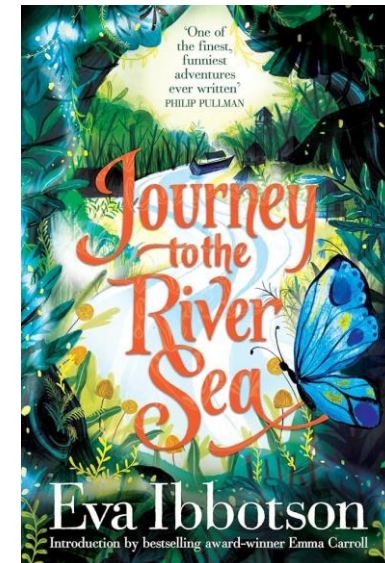
Dosbarth Eryr (Year 5)

This week in literacy we have been introduced to our new story 'Journey to the River Sea'. We have predicted what we think the story might be about and what themes might be present throughout the story. Miss Weaver was very impressed with all the wonderful ideas that the children had.

In our topic work we have begun our new topic 'Life Below Water'. We have worked in groups to gather all our ideas about what we already know about life below water, and we have researched the question 'Why is our planet blue?'. We have created our own databases on the computer by researching the different rivers in Wales and collecting information on paper. We then inputted this data onto a database using the computers.

On Thursday, we celebrated European Languages Day. We found out what languages were spoken in Europe and how many people speak these languages. We then used this information to compare and order the languages spoken in Europe.

Finally, yesterday we joined an adobe live lesson where we attempted to create a video about some of the different countries in Europe and had a go at using the translator feature to translate our writing. We definitely learnt lots of new skills from this lesson and even got a shout out!



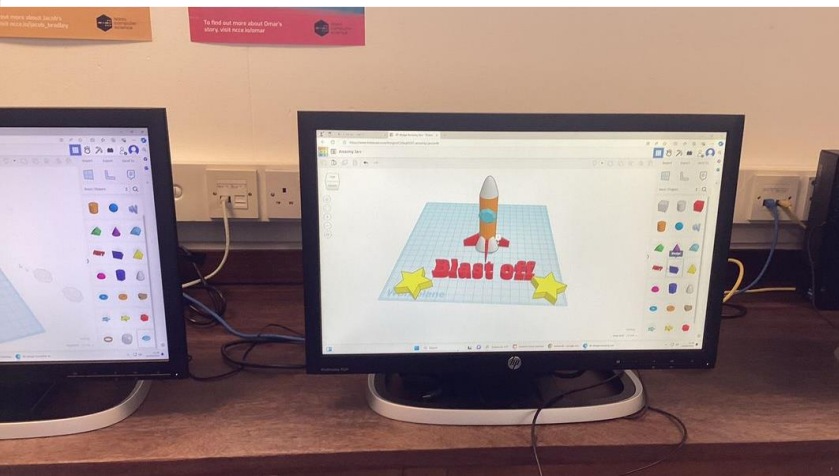
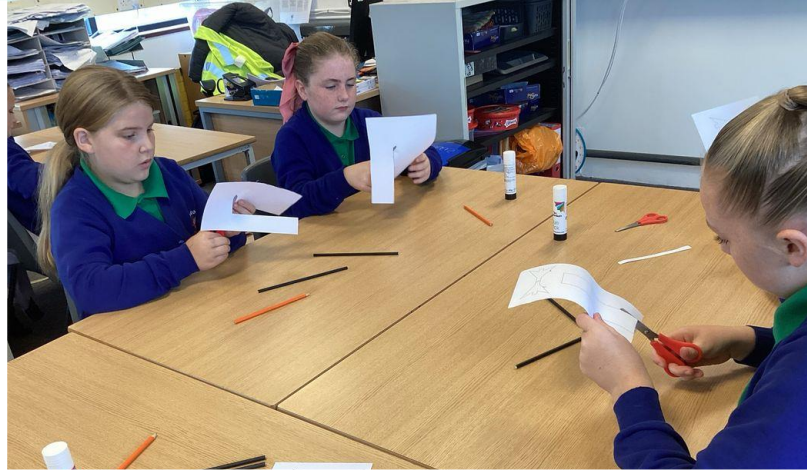
Dosbarth Barcud (Year 6)

Well that was a busy week wasn't it?! This week we have been busy preparing for hosting a Macmillan coffee morning today! We discussed the importance of social responsibility and why Macmillan is such a worthy cause! We created posters, invitations, online social media adverts and thank you certificate to market the big day and made a list of what the coffee morning may need to be a success. We have also made lovely cakes with Mrs Koscinska during the week as well as at home to support our coffee morning. It was lovely to see so many the Ysgol Acrefair community come and support the morning and a fantastic cause.

This week we have also been visited by Mrs Wright-Davies from Ysgol Ruabon and attended a STEM transition day at Ysgol Dinas Bran where we designed and launched rockets in the air, used our ICT skills to design 3D models of rockets on the computers and investigated temperature using the blue and "safety" flames on a Bunsen Burner! Many of us have also attended both open evenings this week!

We have also celebrated European languages day by looking at how to say hello in lots of different European languages. We made presentations on how to say different words in different languages, even using the audio settings on Adobe to help us!





Dosbarth Barcud STEM Day



Macmillan Coffee Morning

