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December 2023 Newsletter Llythyr Newyddion Rhagfyr 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of a very busy year, myself and staff would like to thank you all for your support in preparing your children for school each day and supporting all of our school events. As always, your support is very much appreciated.

The staff at Ysgol Y Bryn have organised many wonderful experiences this year, including our Summer and Christmas Fayres, open afternoons, fundraising events, class assemblies, swimming, residentials, days trips, fun days and Christmas Concerts. Thank you to all of the staff for their hard work and helping to make every day of learning exciting and memorable. It is a privilege to work alongside such an amazing team.



Goodbye Mrs Preston Bell

We say a very fond goodbye to Mrs Preston Bell this month as she embarks on her next chapter in helping to shape the future of children and their families as a Recruitment Officer in the Fostering sector. I would like to thank Mrs Preston Bell for the immense care, compassion, understanding and support that she has given to the children of Ysgol Y Bryn during the three years she has been with us. It has been a pleasure working with you and we all wish you the very best.

Attendance Updates

Many thanks to all of our families for arriving on time each day. Our whole school attendance target is 95% which is the equivalent of missing up to 10 days of school over the whole school year. Please make every effort to attend school each day. Attendance continues to be monitored weekly with a number of meetings organised for the New Year to support families through the Schools Safeguarding and Assessment Team.

Whole School Attendance Figures (November – December 2023)

Week 1 - 90.84%
Week 2 - 87.84%
Week 3 - 89.33%
Week 4 - 87.42%
Week 5 - 86.21%
Week 6 - 86.21%
Week 7 - 81.46%

Polite reminder

Please only keep your child at home for genuine illness and I encourage that all dental and medical appointments, where possible, are made after school finishes.

Please be very mindful that lateness also affects attendance, so we kindly ask that your child is in school before 8.55am.

School doors will open at 8.45am and then close promptly at 8.55am.

Safeguarding

Our school is committed to ensuring the safety and protection of every one of our children. We acknowledge that all children have a right to protection and we all have a duty to take action to safeguard their well-being when needed. We expect all staff, governors, visitors and volunteers to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils. If you as parents/carers have any concerns, please speak to the below members of staff.

Safeguarding Lead – Mrs. R. Dawson (Acting Headteacher)

Deputy Safeguarding Leads – Mrs. R. Nicholas (Acting Deputy Headteacher)

Miss. G. James (Key Stage 2 Lead)

Communication – Home and School links

To ensure you receive all communication from school, please continue to use OURSCHOOLS APP. This is a FREE app. Once downloaded, type in the school postcode SA14 9TT and select Bryn school. Please see your child's class teacher if you need any support with this. All events, updates and reminders will go through the app, such as School Photographer, Christmas events, After School Club and Breakfast Club notifications.

Please note that all school letters will be sent via e-mail and will be uploaded to the documents section of the School App.

**Breakfast Club – Free provision for all pupils**

Breakfast Club will be open to all children on Tuesday 9th January 2024. The school's free Breakfast Club provision continues to be very popular in the mornings. Doors open at 8:15am until 8:35am.

To ensure the safety of all pupils coming into Breakfast Club, please wait with your child while they are registered by staff.

After School Club

Please note that After School Club will begin again on Monday 15th January 2024.

After School Club runs on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
Please ensure that you pre-book a week in advance with Miss Phillips as places are limited. Please either contact the school or email Miss Phillips directly.

rebecca.phillips@bryn.vsgolccc.cymru

Important upcoming dates for your diary

| Date | Activity |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Friday 22 nd December 2023 | Last day of term |
| Monday 8 th January 2024 | INSET day |
| Tuesday 9 th January 2024 | Children back in school |

On behalf of staff and Governors I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year with families and friends.

Best wishes,
Mrs. Rachel Dawson
Acting Headteacher