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It's been full speed after returning from the Christmas break. The children are fully settled into their classes and working hard in their lessons. We want to build upon the academic and behavioural standards here and that takes hard work through the good and bad. We've seen behaviour continue to improve with our policy now in place and this has had a positive impact on the learning. We all make mistakes as we grow and learn but that's part and parcel of our experiences.

The children all show a fantastic attitude towards school and are credit to you and to us.

A good example is today! The wind is blowing a hoolie and it's Friday, with own clothes added into the mix. The children have been a little excitable but still know what the expectations for behaviour and work are, and rise to meet them. Da iawn pawb. We hope that any damage caused by the wind hasn't hurt anyone and that we all have a safe weekend.



Headteacher's WOW Wall.

I've been able to make phone calls to parents for all kinds of positive reasons. For excellent work in class to being amazing friends to having excellent behaviour.

HOUSE POINTS PWYNTIAU TY

The children are all trying their best and earning their house points. They move all the time.

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ATTENDANCE

The threshold for a concerning absence % has changed this year. It is now any child with attendance under 90% and we have to organise meetings to support improvement.

There is a significant impact on children both academically and socially/emotionally if school is missed regularly or children are late. The Government expect schools to do all in our power to ensure excellent attendance.

We are here to **help** with attendance first and foremost. If we work together attendance is likely to improve. When this isn't the case we have to follow the policy and procedures and these are very clear.

Persistent absenteeism or refusal to engage with school will require us to make a referral to the Education Welfare Officers (EWO). Please know we are here to help first. Sometimes the fix can be something very simple.

DYDDIADAU / TERM DATES*

Spring Term

- 06.01.25. Community dentist visiting year 1
- 21.02.25. School Closes Half Term
- 03.03.25. School Reopens
- 24.03.25. Parents evening week
- 28.03.25. Training Day Staff
- 11.04.25. School Closes Easter 🐣

Summer Term

- 28.04.25. School Reopens
 - 02.05.25. Training Day Staff
 - 05.05.25. Bank Holiday
 - 23.05.26. School closes half term
 - 02.06.25. School Reopens
 - 18.07.25. School Closes Summer ☀️
 - 21.07.25. Training Day Staff
- *further details will follow about events. They may change.*

In **Year 1** we read the story of Santes Dwynwen and have carried out an investigation on how to rescue Maelon from the ice he was trapped in.



Year 4 have been weeding, turning over the soil and picking up the leaves ready for the spring. We have replenished the bird feeders ready to carry out the **Big Garden Bird Watch**. We have also been successfully coding using Minecraft Education.



Year 6 have been taking part in a project with the local nursing home. Here are some of our lovely pupils sharing an art lesson with residents at Bron Haul nursing home. The children show so much kindness and empathy. Heartwarming and important moments for sure.

The new HUB building is a much needed replacement for our dilapidated old building. Space is at an absolute premium here in Bryn Hedydd. We are trying to keep the disruption to a minimum but there will inevitably be some. The deliveries are usually the main problem. I am keeping a close on the works to ensure things are safe. We are hoping to have the building finished by April. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.

Thank you to everyone for using the path and not driving into the car park for Cool Cats. We haven't Had any near misses or incidents this week. 😊

GOOD BEHAVIOUR AT SCHOOL

EXPECTATIONS	WHAT THIS MEANS	HOW TO DO IT (examples)
BE SAFE	Ensure that your actions don't harm yourself or others, and that you follow safety rules both physically and emotionally.	Follow playground and classroom rules. Walk instead of run inside the building. Use equipment properly and safely. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. Report any dangerous situations or bullying to an adult.
BE READY	Be prepared and willing to engage in learning and school activities whatever they may be.	Bring the necessary materials (e.g., books, homework, stationery) to class. Arrive on time and line up promptly when asked. Listen attentively and follow instructions. Have a positive attitude toward learning and trying new things.
BE RESPECTFUL	Show consideration for other people, their belongings, and the school environment.	Speak kindly and politely to others. Listen when others are talking without interrupting. Respect personal space and belongings. Take care of school property and help keep the classroom clean. Be considerate of the feelings and opinions of others, even if they're different from yours.

Walk to school!

Our **JRSOs** are out every Wednesday and Friday with their tickets for everyone that walks, scoots or rides to school.

The children **have** to walk down the whole of Spruce Avenue to receive a ticket. If you drive down and drop off there's no ticket.

The tickets are entries to the end of year prize draw where a kindle or tablet computer can be won. The more you walk - the better the chance of winning.

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Courage, Brilliance, Kindness