

Ysgol Gynradd Deri View

Deri View Primary



School News!

It has been a wonderful week of celebrations this week. All of our children have really done us proud! Our nursery children were fabulous in their 'First Nativity' show—I am sure there will be lots of lovely treasured memories that friends and family took away. Our Foundation Phase children were fantastic in their show 'The Supersonic Lamb' - all the children were wonderful and told the story beautifully—well done! Our KS2 children were simply amazing at the Christingle service at St Marys Church. Our readers, musicians and choir led us through a wonderful event - it was a real celebration. It was lovely to hear from parents who attended how much they enjoyed the event. A thank you to St Marys for their warm welcome into the church.

We had our first family breakfast today and it was lovely to see parents coming into to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and breakfast with their children. We would like to encourage more of you to attend next term - look out for dates in the Spring term.

We would like to say thank you to Morrisons, Abergavenny for their kind donation of chocolates towards our children's Christmas parties tomorrow. KS2 children will be having a popcorn and cinema afternoon and Foundation Phase children will have class parties. Children can wear non-uniform or party clothes to school tomorrow on the final day of term.

We have been getting ready for Spring term and our first week back to school will be our 'Learning to Learn' week before we launch our whole school project about Wales and the World - on the back of this newsletter there is more information about our Learning to Learn week and ways you can support your child. There are lots you can do at home to get involved!

On behalf of all the staff, children and governors, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for all your support during the Autumn term and we will look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 8th January.

Mrs Dunn - Acting Head Teacher

Will your child be an Attendance HERO each week? Here, Everyday, Ready and On time?

Our attendance target for this year is 94.7%. Good attendance at school means the best chances of success. Each week we will publish the attendance for each class.

8 classes were below our attendance target week beginning 11.12.17 following the snow.

Reception	Year 1	Year 1/2	Year 2	Year 3	Year 3/4	Year 4	Year 5	Year 5/6	Year 6
Miss Thomas	Miss Jones	Mrs Jenkins	Miss Barry	Mrs Taylor/ Mrs Phillips	Mrs Davies	Miss Guppy	Mr Callaghan	Mr Kane	Mrs Mayo
75.5%	83.5%	80.0%	77.1%	76.4%	91.2%	78.6%	82.4%	93.2%	88.8%

No classes were above our school target last week. Good attendance is essential to ensure your child has the best chances at school!

Well done to Year 5/6 for the highest attendance this week!

We understand that from time to time your child may be unwell, and if this is the case, they may not be well enough to attend school. If this occurs, it is important that you phone school and leave a message.

Learning to Learn Week

During our 'Learning to Learn' week, we will be focusing on important skills that will help us with our learning and our new whole school project. We will be reminding children of important areas - here's how you can help at home!

Golden Rules - we will be reminding our children of our 5 golden rules which are:

**We listen and work hard, We are honest, We are kind and gentle, We look after property,
We keep ourselves safe**

Please take time to talk to your child about these rules and encourage them to earn golden tickets. Why not ask how many tickets your child has earned each day and celebrate this with them?

Keeping healthy - you can help by ensuring your child has a suitable healthy snack at break times, a suitable healthy lunch, bringing in a water bottle and encouraging them to make healthy choices. We are also encouraging children to keep clean and tidy reminding them to wash their hands especially after going to the toilet.

Being ready to learn and setting goals - you can help by ensuring your child is in school ready and on time everyday with the correct equipment. The New Year is a great time to talk about something your child would like to achieve this year! They can then share this with their class at the start of the term.

Don't forget... school starts again on Monday 8th January—see you then!

Diolch! Thank you!



Criw Cymraeg Ymadrodd
yr Wythnos Blwyddyn
Newydd Dda—Happy New
Year

Eco Committee and School Council News

School Council - We wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Eco Committee - Eco Committee top tip! **Try to reduce disposable plastics.** Having a holiday party? Don't spend extra pounds on plastic plates and trays for treats. Ask each guest to bring a favorite Christmas themed metal or ceramic plate. Everyone will enjoy admiring the different designs and there's less to throw away.

Golden Ticket Winners



**Well done to our Golden Ticket
Winners last week!**



Reception - Kody, Year 1 - Deme, Year 1/2 - Younis,
Year 2 - Aimie, Year 3 - Sarah, Year 3/4 - Leilani,
Year 4 - Erik, Year 5 - Vincent, Year 5/6 - Melody,
Year 6 - Tia

**Well done to all our Seren Yr Wythnos certificate winners
too! You are all stars! Da iawn!**