

Year 1 Class News at

Ysgol y Ddraig

Week Ending:

Friday 14th December

Reminders

• **Reading Folders & Books** - Please return the book bag, reading book and reading record on the day allocated to your child. Please remember that reading books cannot be issued without a folder to protect them.

• **Word Walls** - The children have really impressed us with their super effort regarding their Word Walls over the past few weeks. Please continue to practise these sight words regularly, as we will review them each week. These words are 'look & say' words and should be recognised and read without decoding.

• **Outdoor clothing** - As the weather has become much colder recently, please ensure that your child has suitably warm clothing for outdoor learning and play. Hats, gloves and a scarf could help to protect your child from the effects of the cold and prolong their enjoyment of being outdoors. Many thanks.

• **Snack Money** - Children can purchase a piece of fruit for **20p per day (£1 per week, paid in advance).**

• **Water Bottle** - Please note that only water/flavoured water is permitted - No squash, juice or fizzy drinks, thank you.

• **Twitter** - Photographs of your children and updates on class activities are uploaded to @ysgolyddraig. Look out for #Thaw.

• **Website** - www.ysgolyddraig.co.uk

• **Home Learning** - The Home Learning Grid for Dosbarth Thaw is available on the Ysgol y Ddraig website.

If you have any queries relating to your child's learning or otherwise, please do not hesitate to call in and see us.

Diolch yn fawr.

Mrs Birmingham (Class Teacher) and Mrs Roberts (Class LSA).

This week...

We have continued practising our Christmas concert and have been thinking about how to add actions, expression and movements for our character roles and projecting our voices so that everyone can hear our words. We have worked very hard throughout the week. On Friday morning, we held our dress rehearsal in front of the whole school, which has helped to prepare us for our most important performance on Monday afternoon for our families and friends.

In Literacy, we have been working on improving our letter formation, size and sitting the letters on the line. This week's letters were part of the 'Robot Arm' family: h, b, p. We understand the importance of writing the letters carefully as it makes our work look much neater and easier to read. The other letters in this group that we have already practised are r, n, m.

We also enjoyed some fun activities - writing our Christmas lists and letters to Father Christmas, Christmas addition, designing a new Christmas jumper or stocking and an elf names wordsearch, to name a few.



Theatre Trip

Please return the consent form and payment for the pantomime in the Barry Memorial Hall, **by Monday 17th December at the latest**

Christmas Concert

We are looking forward to performing our concert for our families and friends on Monday 17th December at 2.15pm. Please keep encouraging your child to practise saying their words loudly and clearly at home.

We will be using a small amount of face paint for the performance. If your child has an allergy or skin condition which might be affected by this, please inform us on Monday morning.

If you have not yet purchased tickets for the concert, they will be available to buy from Mrs Rees or Mrs Jones on the Reception desk. The tickets are £2 each and include free refreshments from 'Santa's Café' in the hall.

Thank you!



Diary Dates

Monday 17th December - YEAR 1 Christmas Concert @ 2.15pm

Wednesday 19th December - FP Pantomime Trip: 'Sleeping Beauty' @ Barry Memorial Hall

