



Newsletter

Friday, 7th Sept '18

STARS OF THE WEEK SÊR YR WYTHNOS

- Dosb. Ogwr - Cory
- Dosb. Thaw - Lily-Rose
- Dosb. Rheidol - Joseph
- Dosb. Coch - Ava
- Dosb. Taf - Braydon
- Dosb. Caernarfon - Poppie
- Dosb. Cleddau - Tyler
- Dosb. Penfro - Joseph
- Dosb. Teifi - Rio
- Dosb. Caerdydd - Tyler
- Dosb. Hafren - Evan
- Dosb. Caerffili - Jack

Digi-Dragons and E-Cadet Message of the Month

Always keep your personal information (password, name, address, email, phone number) to yourself. Don't share with others.

Croeso Nol, Welcome back. We are very much looking forward to the new academic year ahead. Children have been talking about 'New Beginnings' in their classes and thinking about their new topics and learning opportunities for the Autumn term. A warm welcome to our new Nursery children and their families, we are very pleased that you have joined Ysgol y Ddraig. Our children who have started full time school in Reception this week have made a roarsome start, da iawn pawb!

Children in Year 1 to Year 6 have been discussing membership to our wide range of **Pupil Action groups** that include our Eco-Squad, Digi-Dragons, Food and Fitness group and many more. Our Pupil Action groups represent the views of children within each specific area and will share this information with our newly formed Senedd (Pupil Parliament).

Information regarding joining **extra-curricular clubs** will be sent home on Monday. Our school led clubs will commence week beginning 24th September.

Home-School links. Making and continuing excellent home - school links is important to us at Ysgol y Ddraig. We want to involve and include family members in their child's time with us at school. Our newsletter is one of the ways that we can inform our school community about what is happening. Our weekly newsletter is available to read on our website and can be emailed to you directly, if we have your consent to do so. Recent changes via the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) mean that we need consent to send information that may be classed as marketing. Please return the tear-off slip below to receive the newsletter via email if you haven't responded 'YES' to emails sent during the Summer term. Class home learning and class newsletters are also available weekly from our website. If you would like to receive paper copies of these please make a request to your child's teacher.

Parents and Carers are invited to meet with class teachers within the first few weeks of term attending our annual **Parent-Teacher talks**. This will enable important information to be shared (key reminders, specific year group information, topics, how to help at home etc) and an initial opportunity for family members to meet class teachers early in the new academic year. These talks will start at 4pm, please see dates on the reverse of this letter.

There will be a formal opportunity to meet with your child's teacher at our **Parent Consultations** on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th November. Information regarding booking appointments will be sent later this half term. We will be able to share your child's successes and learning progress with you.

We encourage Parents and Carers to contact class teachers at the earliest convenience if you would like to speak to a teacher regarding your child and a meeting can be arranged. Please do not wait until Parent Consultations if you have any concerns or queries that you would like to discuss.

Attendance - We would like to remind families of the importance of excellent attendance throughout the year. To report a child's absence, we request that you inform our school office via telephone or in person, at the earliest convenience. Alternatively you can write a letter or email the school.

Lost Property - We still have a large amount of lost property remaining from the Summer term. Please come to the main entrance and ask to look through the boxes if your child has lost any items. Any items not collected will be donated to our Rags to Riches collection on Tuesday 25th September. It is extremely helpful if all items of clothing and belongings can be labelled with names so that we can return items.

I, the undersigned, am happy for the school to contact me via email and text with information regarding school-based events, PTA events, and on behalf of organisations that offer child based activities out of school which may be considered as marketing. I understand that I can change my consent at any time by informing the school in writing. Child's Name

Name Signature..... Date.....

Autumn Term 2018

Holidays and INSET Days

It is possible to request holidays during term time. Requests must be made to Miss Cadman BEFORE booking a holiday. Holidays will only be authorised if your child's attendance is good.

INSET Days 2018/19

Monday 5th November

Monday 7th January

Friday 5th April

School holiday dates for 2018/19 can be found on the Vale of Glamorgan website.

Follow the link [here](#)

September

10 th	Year 6 Parent Talk 4pm
11 th	Year 2 Parent Talk 4pm
12 th	Year 4 Parent Talk 4pm
12 th	Year 5 Trip
13 th	Year 1 Parent Talk 4pm
12 th -14 th	Y6 Residential Trip
18 th	Year 3 Parent Talk 4pm
19 th	Year 5 Parent Talk 4pm
25 th	Rags to Riches Collection
27 th	School Photos
28 th	School Photos



Our Right of the fortnight is:

Article 12

Your right to say what you think should happen and be listened to

TESCO Bags of Help

We are delighted to announce that Ysgol y Ddraig is bidding to bag a cash boost from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative. Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch it's community funding scheme, which sees grants of £4,000, £2,000 and £1,000 raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores awarded to local community projects.

Ysgol y Ddraig are one of three groups from the region shortlisted to receive the cash award and you are invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote.

We are looking to raise money to provide our children with new outdoor equipment.

Voting is open in the following stores from Saturday 1st September to Wednesday 31st October 2018 where you can cast your vote using a token given at check-out in store each time you shop.

COWBRIDGE EXPRESS CF71 7AG

PONTYCLUN EXP CF72 9EE

TALBOT GREEN CF72 8RB

Tesco Bags of Help has already delivered over £56 million to more than 16,000 projects across Britain. We would love your support and your vote when you shop.

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Parent - Teacher Association (PTA) Our PTA is always looking for new members and fundraising ideas. All help from family members is gratefully received and can be as much or as little time as you can offer. We look forward to planning some new projects and events that are made possible by the PTA. Details of future meetings and the AGM will be shared on our newsletter.

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor.

Information regarding our eElection will be sent to you by email very soon.