

December 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow! Where did December go? My first Christmas in Maes y Llan has been absolutely wonderful: the songs, concerts, Christmas outfits, chocolate and smiles have been a delight to behold.

A huge thanks to everyone who has supported us this term: donating to our sponsored walk, attending the amazing concerts, visiting our Christmas stalls, buying raffle tickets; it has been such a lovely term.

On behalf of all the staff and Governors here at Ysgol Maes y Llan, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Beth Rolls

Pennaeth/Headteacher



My Happy Mind

Celebrate.

We have come to the end of the second module - 'Celebrate' in the Happymind programme. The children learned so much including:

- What character strengths are and why they matter
- How to recognise character strengths in ourselves and others
- How understanding our character strengths can make us feel

What's up next?

The next module is called Appreciate. Here we will be learning all about how to develop an attitude of gratitude and how that makes us feel amazing!



Theme for next term

The overarching theme for the next half term is 'All creatures great and small'. The teachers have been discussing the title in each class and the children have been giving their inputs and deciding which direction they would like to take, with ideas such as endangered animals, under the sea, woodland animals and welsh mythical creatures.



Term Dates





Spring Term 2024:

Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February 2024 Monday 19th February to Friday 22nd March 2024

Summer Term 2024:

Monday 8th Apríl to Fríday 24th May 2024 Monday 3rd June to Thursday 18th July 2024 Training days: 24th May; 19th July

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Attendance

School attendance for last

half term was 91.5 %

This is below our target of 95%

<u>Christmas Concerts</u>







The children were absolute superstars in their Christmas concerts this year. A huge thank you to all the staff for all their hard work and to the parents & carers for all the wonderful costumes and supporting us during these fantastic performances! Diolch yn Fawr!

Donations



A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who has donated to our raffles, advent calendars and presents for the children.

We raised a massive

£1547!

All money raised will go towards our school funds to enhance the learning experiences for the children. Diolch yn fawr!

Dates for the diary next term:

24th January - The Inclusive Curriculum workshops

25th January - PC Hulley Assembly

25th January - PC Hulley visiting Yr 6

26th January - PC Hulley visiting Yrs 1,2 and 4.

5th February - Assembly with Rev. Pam

9th February - Break up for half term

19th February - Back after half term holiday

22nd February - PTA Welsh Disco

1st March - Eisteddfod

6th March - Year 5 Glan Llyn Residential

21st March - PTA Easter Bingo

22nd March - Break up for Easter





A huge thank you to the children who attended the Christingle Service. They did a fantastic job and we were very proud of them.