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Acting Headteacher: Mr Matt Holmes

Friday 19th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of term, I wanted to take a moment to thank you for the warm welcome I have received during my first two weeks as Acting Headteacher at Ysgol Bwlchgwyn. It has been a real pleasure getting to know the pupils, the staff and the routines that make this school such a special place.

I have thoroughly enjoyed watching the Christmas concerts and joining the classes for the two pantomimes - what a wonderful way to celebrate the festive season together! These events have truly highlighted the creativity, care, and sense of community that define our school.

I would also like to thank you for taking the time to complete the Parent / Carer Questionnaire. This will allow me to gather crucial insights into your thoughts and feelings about the school community. If you haven't had chance to complete the questionnaire, please do so. Collaboration drives success, and this short questionnaire gives you a chance to make your voice heard

Thank you for your support and partnership. I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to all that we will achieve together in 2026.

Kind regards,

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Nadolig llawen pawb!

2025

It's only a few more sleeps until the big day and needless to say all the children are suitably excited! It has been a pleasure over the last couple of weeks to see our wonderful pupils performing, making Christmas craft and enjoying our pantomime trips as part of the big build up. It is lovely to be able to see the festive period through their eyes and we really are lucky to be able to do so. Once again, we thank you for your continued support and partnership during the term. Your ongoing co-operation helps us ensure that the children make the very best of their valuable experiences here at Ysgol Bwlchgywn. So it is with much gratitude, love and seasonal cheer that we wish you and your families all the best for the festive period. - Nadolig llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda!



Christmas Performances: The last two weeks have been extremely busy with Christmas performances by the children, which were enjoyed by family members as well as our wider community who visited school. All children performed brilliantly and were complimented on their performances by many. Da iawn pawb, all of us at school were as proud as your parents and families watching on! Thank you to all our staff and volunteers for their kind help in preparing the children and supplying refreshments to our audiences.

As requested during each performance we respectfully ask that parents do not post any images on social media. This is to support the school's safeguarding culture and to ensure that any images of our vulnerable learners do not mistakenly appear online. Thank you for your co-operation.



Reception Library Visit: Pupils from Reception experienced some fantastic storytelling, learned about the library and posted letters to Sion Corn during their trip to Wrexham Library last week.



Christmas Panto Trip: Pupils from Reception and Class 1 attended a pantomime production of The Wizard of Oz at the Stiwt Theatre and Class 2 & 3 pupils attended the Rock 'n' Roll Panto of Cinderella at Theatre Clwyd.

Christmas Raffle: Thank you to everyone who have kindly donated items to create an amazing hamper. The raffle raised £373.90 and the winner isArchie Whelan-Griffiths(Class 1) – Congratulations, enjoy the treats



Swimming (Class 2): Class 2 will be swimming each week on a Friday morning after Christmas until Easter. There is no charge for the swimming but a contribution of £3 per week towards transport costs is available via ParentPay.

Nursery Admissions September 2026 (age 3 by 31/8/26)

Applications for your child to join Nursery Education will be from 6th January until 16th February 2026 using the link below <https://www.wrexham.gov.uk/.../school.../nursery-admissions>

We welcome applicants from Bwlchgwyn and surrounding areas to come and join our school. We will be holding open days on the following dates:

- Wednesday 14th January at
- Thursday 22nd January at 10:00am
- Wednesday 4th February '26 at 1:30pm
- Thursday 12th February '26 at 10:00am

Please register a place at one of the Open Days using the link below: [Nursery Admissions Open Days 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Nadolig Llawen

Bwlchgwyn School Staff



Please have a look at our class blogs on the Seesaw app and our facebook page to see more of the exciting learning experiences the children are engaging in at Ysgol Bwlchgwyn

[Ysgol Bwlchgwyn Facebook](#)



BWLCHGWYN CABIN CREW



Cabin Crew will be open over Christmas as follows:

- **Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd December '25**
- **Friday 2nd January '26**
- **Monday 5th January '26 (school inset day)**

Bookings are open and we still have places available on each of the days, places can be booked in the usual way via: [iPAL: Booking, payment and management system - Login \(ipalbookings.com\)](#)

EXCITING NEWS - BWLCHGWYN CABIN CREW FLYING START (FUNDED CHILDCARE FOR 2 YR OLDS)

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you - Welsh Government Flying Start 2-year-old funded childcare has been extended to include postcodes in Bwlchgwyn and Gwynfryn, in addition to other local areas which include Brymbo, Bryn Cefn, Coedpoeth, Minera & New Broughton. This means that local families now have the opportunity to apply for funded childcare through Bwlchgwyn Cabin Crew.

What does this mean for you?

Parents and carers can now apply for a Flying Start place for their child from as young as 15 months, allowing children to start their childcare placement from the term after their 2nd birthday and continue until they turn 3 years old. Children who are not eligible for the funded places yet can still attend our Playgroup sessions, open for all children aged 2+ years each weekday morning between 9:00am - 11:30am, alongside our Flying Start provision. Playgroup plus sessions are also available between 11:30am until 3:10pm. Playgroup and flying start sessions include an opportunity for children to have lots of fun, get messy, learn new skills and build relationships with other children that will be in their year/class in school.

We are proud to be part of this initiative and to offer Flying Start places to our local community. This is a fantastic opportunity to give your child access to high-quality early education and care, fully funded by the Welsh Government.

If you're interested or would like more information about the Flying Start funding and how to apply, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. We are more than happy to answer any questions or provide assistance in the application process.

Apply here: [Flying Start Childcare Offer for 2 year olds | Wrexham County Borough Council](#)

We look forward to welcoming new children and supporting all our little learners on their journey!

Email: bwlchgwyncabincrew@hotmail.co.uk Call: 01978 756718

Please note dates for your diary below:

<u>INSET DAY 2025/26</u>	<u>Academic Year Dates 2025-26</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mon 1st Sep '25• Tues 2nd Sep '25• Fri 24th Oct '25• Mon 5th Jan '26• Mon 13th Apr '26• Mon 20th July '26	<p>19th Dec '25: Autumn Term ends</p> <p>5th Jan '26: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p> <p>6th Jan '26: Pupils return to school</p> <p>9th Feb '26: Class photographs (Reception & Year 6)</p> <p>11th-13th Feb '26: Class 3 Residential to Robinwood</p> <p>13th February '26: Half term ends</p> <p>W/C 16th February '26: Half term (School Closed)</p> <p>23rd Feb '26: Pupils return to school</p> <p>W/C 16th Mar '26: Parent Consultations</p> <p>27th March '26: Spring Term Ends</p> <p>W/C 30th March '26: Easter Break (School Closed)</p> <p>W/C 6th April '26 Easter Break (School Closed)</p> <p>13th April '26: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p> <p>14th April '26: Pupils return to school</p> <p>4th May '26: Bank Holiday (School Closed)</p> <p>22nd May '26: Half term ends</p> <p>W/C 25th May '26: Half term (School Closed)</p> <p>1st June '26: Pupils return to school</p> <p>11th June '26: Sports Day</p> <p>18th June '26: Reserve Sports Day</p> <p>25th June '26: Common Transfer day</p> <p>17th July '26 - Summer Term Ends</p> <p>20th July '26: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p>