



# YSGOL BWLCHGWYN BULLETIN



...aiming high in all that we do.

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. It has been a real pleasure to welcome the children back to school for the start of our summer term, which promises to be a busy and exciting one with many events and activities planned for the weeks ahead. This week, our assemblies have focused on Kindness, something that continues to shine through in so many aspects of school life. I am consistently impressed by the empathy, consideration, and genuine care the children show towards one another, whether they are supporting a friend in class, helping someone on the playground, or simply demonstrating small acts of thoughtfulness throughout the day. Their behaviour is a real credit to them and to you as families. I am also delighted that Mrs Rachel Valentine has returned, and I am sure you will join me in giving her a very warm welcome back. The children have been very excited to see her! In addition, we are continuing to strengthen our links with the local community. It has been fantastic to see the Wrexham AFC Foundation in school again this week, continuing their partnership with us by delivering exciting, engaging, and enjoyable Health and Wellbeing sessions with Class 2. Their work adds real value to our curriculum, and we are grateful for the opportunities they provide for our pupils.

I hope you have a lovely weekend! Mr Holmes



## Keeping Safe Online



Digital tools and online platforms play an increasingly positive role in children's learning, creativity and communication. They offer many exciting opportunities both in and out of school. However, as with all technology, it is important that we are aware of potential risks and challenges, and help children learn how to use the online world safely and responsibly.

To support this, I would like to signpost you to the Welsh Government's "Keeping safe online" website. This resource provides clear, practical guidance for families on topics such as social media, gaming, online bullying, privacy, and managing online risks. It also includes helpful app guides and age-appropriate advice for children and young people. Please explore these resources together at home and use them to support open, honest conversations about staying safe online. You can access the website at:

<https://hwb.gov.wales/keeping-safe-online/>



## Year 1, 2 & 3 After School Football Club



We are delighted to offer your child the opportunity to join our Year 1, 2 & 3 After School Football Club, led by Josh Evans from the Wrexham AFC Foundation. The Foundation is focusing on encouraging more girls to get involved in football, so we would especially love to see lots of girls sign up. However, boys are very welcome too - the club is open to everyone! This is a fantastic chance for pupils to develop their football skills, improve fitness, and enjoy teamwork in a fun and supportive environment.

The club will run on a Thursday from 3:15pm to 4:00pm on the dates below:

Thursday 23rd April / Thursday 30th April / Thursday 7th May / Thursday 14th May / Thursday 21st May

There will be no charge, but please sign up via the My Child At School app in the clubs section.



Congratulations to our Celebration Assembly winners this week!



## After School Clubs



Year 1, 2 & 3 Football Club - Thursday 23rd April / Thursday 30th April / Thursday 7th May / Thursday 14th May / Thursday 21st May

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Dance & Gym Club - Friday 17th April / Friday 24th April / Friday 1st May / Friday 8th May / Friday 15th May / Friday 22nd May

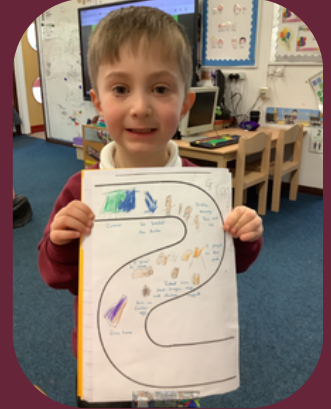
Please have a look at our Class Blogs on Seesaw to see more of the children's learning experiences.



You can also follow us on Facebook @Ysgol Gynradd Bwlchgwyn



## Dosbarth Meithrin a Derbyn



This week, Early Years have had lots of fun reconnecting with their friends and also making new friends. The children would like to extend their warmest welcome to the new pupils who have joined their class after Easter, whom they have very much enjoyed getting to know. The children have completed a variety of outdoor activities this week, including going on nature scavenger hunts in the Forest School, which they loved! They also enjoyed playing parachute games in PE and sharing their Easter holiday news. Reception have planned out their news for writing and Nursery practised drawing and mark making their news too!

Seesaw Blog link for EE: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/dosbarthee26>

Seesaw Blog link for Dosbarth Meithrin: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/meithrin25>

Seesaw Blog link for Dosbarth Derbyn: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/derbyn25>

## Dosbarth 1



Dosbarth 1 have had a lovely first week settling back in after the Easter break. The children have enjoyed playing a variety of parachute games outside. They have also been busy getting their planter ready in the garden and enjoyed finding lots of bugs such as worms! They read the story 'Have you filled a bucket today?' which is a story all about feeling and emotions. They then worked with their talking partner to make a frame using loose parts all about what makes them both happy.

Seesaw Blog link for Class 1: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/class202526>

## Dosbarth 2



I don't know where you but I miss the old  
village and the people and I'm done being flushed around  
by a monster so let's fight like fight for freedom.  
Come on are you sick of scrape and Wazaki on  
the floor, screams from those that die so let's get  
rid of the beast for once and for all.



This week, Dosbarth 2 have been writing their cold task battle cries to inspire their villages to rise up against the oppression of an evil monster. They have also been exploring UNESCO World Heritage Sites to celebrate World Heritage Day on 18th April, learning why it's so important to protect these remarkable places around the world. The children learned about teamwork and how supporting one another can help us build confidence and self-esteem, with the help of Wrexham AFC.

Seesaw Blog link for Class 2: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/dosbarthdau2025to26>

## Dosbarth 3



This week, Dosbarth 3 have been debating and using persuasive language techniques. They have been orally debating so they can use their polished sentences to write a more formal letter in the weeks to come. They have also started incubating a new clutch of eggs. They have weighed each egg so they can monitor their development, ensured the incubator was sterile and the temperature and humidity levels set, and monitored so the porous shells are kept in the optimal condition. The children know there are lots of risks involved before hatching, but are keeping their fingers crossed!

Seesaw Blog link for Class 3: <https://app.seesaw.me/blog/class32526>

# Local Activities



**WREGSAM**  
DYDD MERCHER / WEDNESDAY  
**10:00 - 11:00**  
29/04/26 - 24/06/26  
Llyfrgell Wrecsam / Wrexham  
Library, Rhosddu Road, Wrecsam  
/ Wrexham, LL11 1AU

Clwb Cwtsh is a fun-filled and informal programme focusing on speaking Welsh with young children.  
Mae Clwb Cwtsh yn gwrs blasu Cymraeg sydd wedi'i anelu at ddysgwyr newydd ac sy'n canolbwyntio ar iaith magu plant yn y cartref.

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[clwbcwtsh@meithrin.cymru](mailto:clwbcwtsh@meithrin.cymru)



## Would you like to speak Welsh at home?

#Clwb Cwtsh is a short, informal, fun-filled 8-week taster programme focussed on speaking Welsh with young children (and is aimed at parents to be, parents/carers, members of the extended family).

Courses start at various points throughout the year.

### Ah... childcare's an issue?

We've got you covered, children are welcome to join both online and face to face courses with you!

### The cost?

Courses are free.

You don't need any Welsh to join so what are you waiting for?!

Mae #Clwb Cwtsh yn gwrs blasu #Cymraeg sydd wedi'i anelu at ddysgwyr newydd ac sy'n canolbwyntio ar iaith magu plant yn y cartref.

Mae 'na ddeuwis o gyrsiau ar-lein a wyneb yn wyneb ar gael a bydd y sesiynau yn hwyllog, ysgafn ac yn defnyddio canu a gemau.

### Want to know more?

[www.learnwelsh.cymru/clwbcwtsh](http://www.learnwelsh.cymru/clwbcwtsh)

[www.meithrin.cymru/clwbcwtsh](http://www.meithrin.cymru/clwbcwtsh)

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New Courses starting April!

Llyfrgell Wrecsam / Wrexham Library  
Rhosddu Rd, Wrexham LL11 1AU  
Every Wednesday 10am – 11am  
29/04/26 - 24/06/26

For more information email:  
[amy.douthwaite@meithrin.cymru](mailto:amy.douthwaite@meithrin.cymru)

## FREE ONLINE WELSH COURSES CYRSIAU CYMRAEG AR-LEIN AC AM DDIM



### NORTH WALES / GOGLEDD CYMRU

DAY DWRNOD	TIME AMSER	START DATE DDEDDD CEFWYNN	END DATE DYDDDD GORFFEN
Monday Dydd Llun	09:30 - 10:30	27/04/26	29/06/26
Monday Dydd Llun	18:30 - 19:30	27/04/26	29/06/26
Monday Dydd Llun	20:00 - 21:00	27/04/26	29/06/26
Tuesday Dydd Mawrth	09:15 - 10:15	28/04/26	23/06/26
Tuesday Dydd Mawrth	13:30 - 14:30	28/04/26	23/06/26
Wednesday Dydd Mercher	18:00 - 19:00	29/04/26	24/06/26
Wednesday Dydd Mercher	20:00 - 21:00	29/04/26	24/06/26
Friday Dydd Gwener	10:00 - 11:00	01/05/26	26/06/26
Friday Dydd Gwener	13:00 - 14:00	01/05/26	26/06/26

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# Key Dates



INSET Days 2025 - 2026	April 2026	May 2026
<p>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025</p> <p>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025</p> <p>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025</p> <p>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026</p> <p>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026</p> <p>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026</p>	<p>21<sup>st</sup> April: Graffiti workshop - Class 3</p> <p>23<sup>rd</sup> April: Wrexham AFC Foundation - Class 2</p> <p>24<sup>th</sup> April: Rhyd Broughton Vets workshop - EY &amp; Class 1</p> <p>24<sup>th</sup> April: Tennis @ Bwlchgwyn tennis courts - Class 3</p> <p>29<sup>th</sup> April: PC Ellis</p> <p>30<sup>th</sup> April: Wrexham AFC Foundation - Class 2</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> May: Tennis @ Bwlchgwyn courts - Class 3</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday (School Closed)</p> <p>6<sup>th</sup> May: Music / Rap workshop - Class 2 &amp; Class 3</p> <p>7<sup>th</sup> May: Wrexham AFC Foundation - Class 2</p> <p>8<sup>th</sup> May: Tennis @ Bwlchgwyn courts - Class 3</p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> May: Wrexham AFC Foundation - Class 2</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> May: Tennis @ Bwlchgwyn courts - Class 3</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> May: Class 3 Showcase</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> May: Wrexham AFC Foundation - Class 2</p> <p>22<sup>nd</sup> May: Tennis @ Bwlchgwyn courts - Class 3</p> <p>22<sup>nd</sup> May: Half term ends</p> <p>W/C 25<sup>th</sup> May: Half term (School Closed)</p>
June 2026	July 2026	September 2026
<p>1<sup>st</sup> June: Pupils return to school</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> June: Girls' Cricket Festival @ Gresford CC</p> <p>8<sup>th</sup> June: Cricket Festival @ Chirk CC</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> June: Reserve Sports Day</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> June: PTFA Father's Day Gifts</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> June: Common Transfer day</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> June: EY &amp; Class 1 trip to Greenacres Animal Park</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> July: EY &amp; Class 1 Showcase</p> <p>6<sup>th</sup> July: Jambori ' Stiw Theatre - Class 1</p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> July: School Reports sent home</p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> July: KS2 Shakespeare performance (evening)</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> July: KS2 Shakespeare performance (pm)</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> July: Fun Day!</p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> July: Summer Term Ends</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> July: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> September: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> September: INSET DAY (School Closed)</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> September: Pupils return to school</p>

## Bwlchgwyn Cabin Crew



Cabin Crew will be open for the May Half Term Holiday between 25<sup>th</sup> May - 29<sup>th</sup> May '26. Bookings can be made in the usual way via: [iPAL: Booking, payment and management system - Login \(ipalbookings.com\)](#)

### **BWLCHGWYN CABIN CREW FLYING START (FUNDED CHILDCARE FOR 2 YR OLDS)**

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!

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