



YSGOL BWLCHGWYN BULLETIN

...aiming high in all that we do.

Dear parents and carers,

Although it has been a shorter week, it has certainly been an incredibly exciting one at Ysgol Bwlchgwyn. The highlight of the week has been the arrival of five very special new members of our school community - Dwayne, Oreo, Jimmy, Bobbi, and Popcorn - our pet chicks, who hatched on Tuesday evening. The children (and staff!) have been absolutely delighted to welcome them and have shown great care and responsibility when interacting with them. It has been wonderful to see such enthusiasm across the school, and we are all looking forward to watching them grow and thrive over the coming days and weeks. We were also very pleased to welcome Mr Phormula to school this week to work with Classes 2 and 3. He delivered two engaging and entertaining workshops focusing on creative writing, beatboxing, rap, and music production. The children worked collaboratively to produce a fantastic bilingual rap about some of the work they have completed in their topic lessons, and it was wonderful to see their creativity and confidence shine. This week, our value of the week has been communication, with a particular focus on the importance of listening, which has been explored through our assemblies. The children have been learning how being attentive and respectful listeners helps us to understand one another better, build positive relationships, and work successfully together as a school community. I hope you have a fantastic weekend! Diolch, Mr Holmes.



Family Support Worker



We are delighted to share that our work with Nicola Roberts, our Family Support Worker, has been very successful. Nicola works closely with families to build trust and rapport, offering practical support, emotional support, and guidance on everyday challenges, as well as signposting families to helpful services within the community. Due to the positive impact of this work, we have now been allocated two additional support slots. If you feel this support could benefit you or your family, please contact the school office for further information.



Stori Brymbo Beehives



We're delighted to share that the beehives the children decorated have now returned to Stori Brymbo. It has been wonderful to see their creative work back in its home setting, and even more exciting to know that one of the hives is now in situ and actively being used. It has been a lovely opportunity for the pupils to play a real part in supporting local wildlife and the community.



Congratulations to our Celebration Assembly winners this week!



After School Clubs



Year 1, 2 & 3 Football Club - Thursday 14th May / Thursday 21st May

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

Year 3-6 Dance & Gym Club - Friday 5th June / Friday 12th June / Friday 19th June / Friday 26th June / Friday 10th July

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



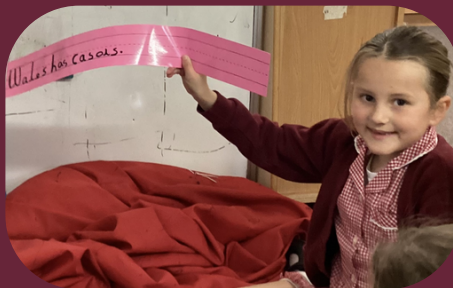
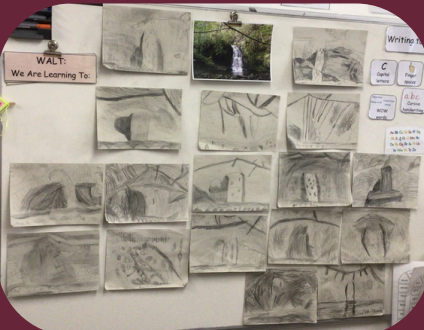
This week in Early Years, the children have been learning about the capital of the United Kingdom; London. Reception used Google Maps to locate and map out London landmarks which they then directed the Beebot to. Nursery have been learning to recognise and order numbers and used objects to work out one less. Reception enjoyed making symmetrical butterflies both outside and with paint. In their Forest school session, the children focused on counting and forming numbers using natural materials and in PE they have practised kicking a ball. Everyone has loved stroking the little chicks who hatched this week!

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



Class 1 have come to the end of their learning journey around Wales this week. They have used their creative skills to design and make their own love spoons and explored the style of Welsh artist Kyffin Williams to sketch a landscape of Bwlchgwyn. Using their new sentence strips, the children have been working hard to write sentences, and their challenge of the week was to create a lovely birthday card for Sir David Attenborough, who turns 100 today. We wonder where their next destination will be!

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

Dosbarth 2



This week, to mark Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday, Dosbarth 2 took time to appreciate the natural world around them, practising mindfulness and creating sketches inspired by nature. In Humanities, the children have been learning about key events from the time of the Celts and created their own timelines. They were also lucky to welcome Josh and Isaac from the Wrexham AFC Foundation, who delivered a range of fun activities to help develop the children's communication skills.

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

Dosbarth 3



This week, Dosbarth 3 have been very busy! They have been working hard to prepare for their upcoming showcase on Wednesday 20th May, alongside getting ready for their National Tests. They also enjoyed writing and recording a rap song with Mr Phormula, summarising their learning in a fun and creative way. In addition, the children have become proud "parents" to five rather naughty chicks, who are very loud, eat a lot, and make quite a mess of their nursery at a surprising rate, keeping everyone on their toes! The class also took part in another tennis session at Bwlchgwyn tennis courts with Erin.

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

Extra-curricular Activities



After School DANCE and GYMNASTICS Classes At Bwlchgwyn Community Primary School

For children in School Years 3-6

Children would attend the classes for a 5 week block (£20)

On the following dates - 3.15pm-4pm

Friday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th June, & 10th July

Please contact Amanda on 07714 462685 to reserve your child's place.
Limited places available - places allocated on a first come first served basis
Places would need to be reserved by Monday 18th May



We are delighted that Dance Maniax will be running an exciting after-school Dance and Gymnastics club at Ysgol Bwlchgwyn for children in Years 3-6. The sessions will run as a 5-week block and give children the opportunity to develop their dance and gymnastics skills, build confidence, stay active, and have lots of fun with friends in a supportive environment.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

To reserve a place, please contact Amanda on 07714 462685.

Bookings must be made by Monday 18th May.

♥ A MESSAGE FOR FAMILIES FROM YOUR SCHOOL ♥

Foresters Essential For Families WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

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Pyjamas, toiletries, teddy bear and essentials for a good night's rest.



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Whatever your situation, you are not alone.



WHO CAN WE HELP?

We support local families who are doing it tough and need a little extra help, including:

- ✓ Families facing financial hardship
- ✓ Single parent families
- ✓ Families with young children
- ✓ Anyone doing it tough



HOW TO GET HELP

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Find us on Facebook:



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≧ We aim to reply as soon as we can. ≦



IMPORTANT TO KNOW

All items are **FREE**.
No payment, no fees, no catches.



Everything is given with respect, kindness and confidentiality.



We are part of your local community and here to support families.



TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Thank you, families, for being part of our wonderful school community. Look out for each other, be kind, and know that help is here if you need it.



YOU ARE IMPORTANT. YOU ARE NOT ALONE. WE ARE HERE TO HELP.



PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ANY FAMILY WHO MAY NEED OUR SUPPORT.

Key Dates



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

Bwlchgwyn Cabin Crew



Cabin Crew will be open for the May Half Term Holiday between 25th May - 29th 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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