Llwynypia Primary Newsletter
March 6th 2026

What's been going on in Llwynypia?

Eisteddfod

On Monday, we held our annual Eisteddfod to celebrate St. David's Day. The hall was a wash of red clothes and Welsh flags and the children all enjoyed coming together to celebrate through songs, music, poetry and writing. We spoke about what it means to be Welsh and held our first Chairing of the Bard ceremony. A winner was chosen from each class in our handwriting and art competitions and Dosbarth Arian and Aur took part in a writing competition, creating new myths and legends stories. Our home task competition focused on what it means to be Welsh, and our Criw Cymraeg and all the staff were blown away by the fantastic entries! It took nearly 2 days to judge all of the entries to this year's competitions.
We all had a fantastic day and as always, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for supporting our events by buying costumes or clothes, or helping children to take part in home tasks.

World Book Day

Thursday saw our school filled with amazingly creative costumes and outfits to celebrate World Book Day! Children were asked to dress as a word and we were astonished by the creativity shown. We began our morning with a whole school parade to show off the wonderful efforts you all went to. This was followed by activities in class to celebrate our love of learning and reading. Another brilliant day, showing our children that reading really can take you to a world of pure imagination!

As part of our world book day celebrations, Dosbarth Aur linked up with Jenny Sullivan an author living in France. They asked her questions about the book Out of Pompeii and discussed elements of the story. Jenny also spoke about her books and the children were very enthusiastic and interested. She also discussed a future book she may be writing. This was a great session to help celebrate world book day and we appreciate Jenny giving up her time.

Willis Constructions Workshops

Willis construction came to help Dosbarth Aur with their constructions of their stadiums. They explained what construction was and the regeneration of Tonypandy. They recapped on how sustainability is important and showed the progress so far of the town centre building. They were given facts and had to decide if they were true or not. They then used junk material to build their own stadiums.

Dosbarth Melyn- Holi Festival

On Wednesday, Dosbarth Melyn celebrated the Holi Festival as part of their RVE work looking at different celebrations from around the world. The children learned all about the music and colour festivals held to spread happiness in the New Year, so this was followed on with their very own colour festival held in the yard. Children changed into different clothes, listened to music from India and had lots of fun covering each other in paint and paint powder. This real-life experience was a huge highlight of their week and the children all left school with smiles on their faces!

Rugby Tournament

Our year 5 and 5 rugby players took part in another cluster tournament yesterday. The team did really well, winning our second match and scoring some great tries. The pupils also showed excellent sportsmanship and perseverance against strong opposition. Thanks also to parents and grandparents who came to support the team.

Parent Governor Applications

All children have been sent home this week with an application for our new Parent Governor. If you wish to complete an application form to nominate yourself as a Parent Governor, these should be completed and returned to the office by midday on Wednesday 18th March.

Food Tasting Session

Our food tasting session has been rearranged for Wednesday 20th May. If you previously signed up to this session, your name will remain on the list.

Cambrian Male Voice Choir

Don't forget about our opportunity to sing alongside Cambrian Male Voice Choir on Thursday 19th March. Tickets are still available to purchase from the office.

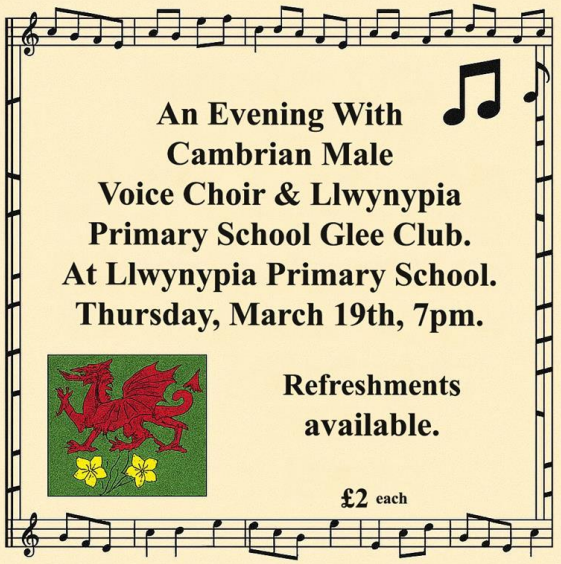
Goodbye, Mr Vaughn!

Today marks Mr Vaughn's last day at Llwynypia. He has been working with us supporting Dosbarth Porffor for the last few months and he has been an asset to the team. Thank you for all your help Mr Vaughn, pupils and staff will miss you!

Attendance

Every week as advised by the local authority we share the attendance figures with you in order to promote the importance of good attendance. We report the percentage of attendance of each class, however some classes can never win an attendance award because of the poor attendance of a minority of pupils. We know there are lots of reasons why children can't or won't attend school and we are very willing to work with families and children to help support them to return to school.

In future our attendance figures will reflect the attendance of those pupils who regularly attend school, by filtering out pupils whose attendance has been lower than expected. We feel that this is a fairer way to recognise and celebrate the good attendance of so many of our pupils.



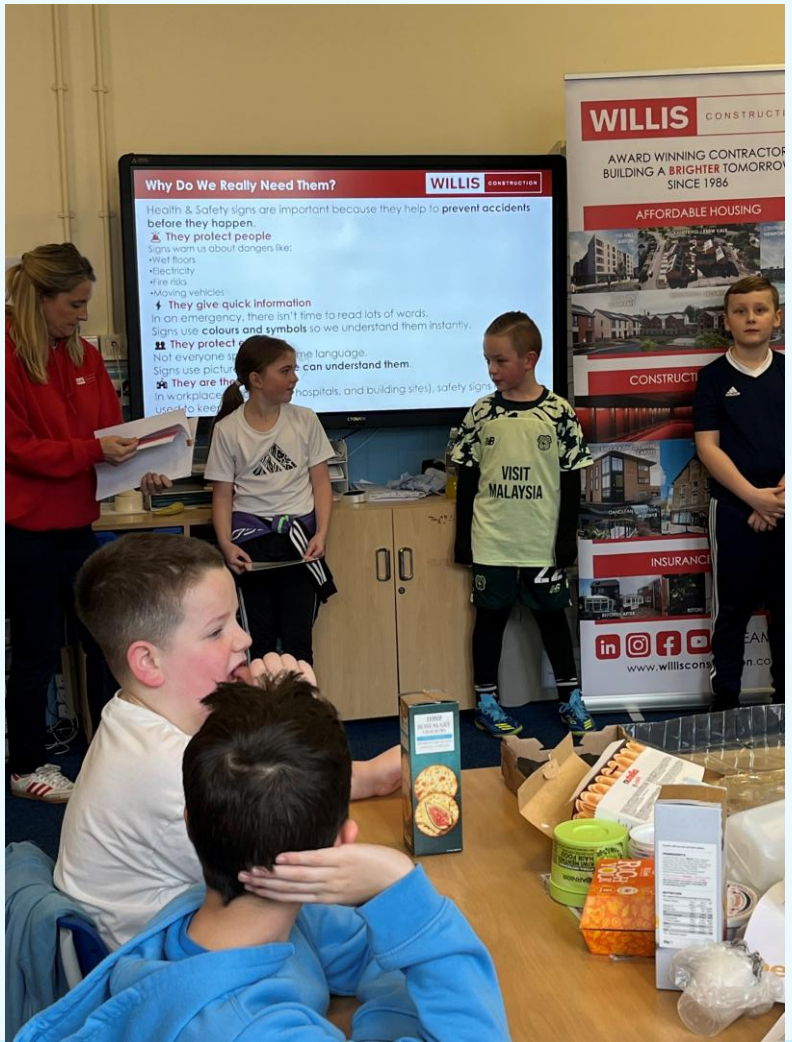


Year 5 and 6 Rugby Team



Willis Construction











Holi Festival



Attendance

Our school target is 90.7%!

Week ending 27.2.26

Dosbarth Porffor – 97.9%
Dosbarth Arian – 97.9%
Dosbarth Aur - 97.4%%
Dosbarth Gwyrdd – 97.3%
Dosbarth Oren – 97.1%
Dosbarth Porffor - 96%

Da iawn i
Dosbarth Aur and Dosbarth Melyn!



Attendance Winners
Dosbarth Aur and Melyn



Penblwydd Hapus
Isla, Harleia, Alfie, Millie and Taylor

Birthdays

This week, we would like to wish happy birthday to:
Isla, Harleia, Alfie, Millie and Taylor



Eco Challenge!

We should all try to reduce our plastic waste by not using single-use plastic.
Over 80% of the ocean's pollution is plastic waste.

Keep up to date with all our news and updates online!

News, updates, letters and links are shared online via our school website, our Facebook page and on Seesaw.



Facebook @llwynypiaps

Seesaw

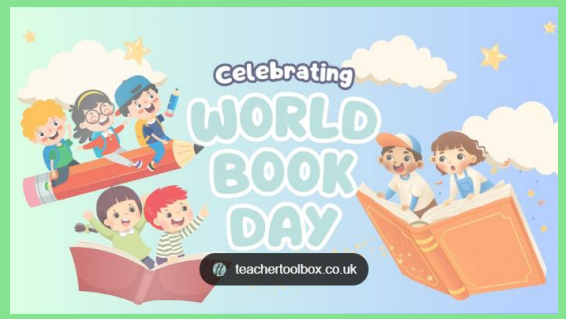
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Pupil Page

Did you know?

Facts about World Book Day!

- World Book Day started in 1995. In other countries it is celebrated in April, but the UK celebrates in March.
- More than 100 countries worldwide celebrate World Book Day!
- 1 in 5 children in the UK don't own a book at home, so World Book Day tokens help to make the change.
- Children learn around 13 new words a day! This is around 5000 words per year. Reading can help expand this new vocabulary.



Joke of the Week

Why did the maths book look sad?

Because he had too many problems.



Riddle of the Week

I have a spine, but no bones.
What am I?

Term Dates

Spring Term

January 5th – March 27th

March 16th – Parent CPR and AED Workshop
March 19th – Cambrian Male Voice Choir and Glee Performance
March 26th – Dosbarth Gwyrdd and Porffor Trip
March 27th – Last day of Spring Term

Easter Holidays
Monday March 30th – Friday April 10th
Summer Term
Monday April 13th – Friday May 22nd
Half Term
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May
Return to School
Monday June 1st – Friday July 17th

Any school inset days will be sent out via newsletter, text or Seesaw message.

Dear Parents and Carers,
Do you find it challenging to get your child into school on Mondays and Fridays? Why not join us at Y Pantri, our community room located in the Junior Yard, where parents can enjoy breakfast with their children?
When: Mondays and Fridays, 8,45am – 9.15am
Cost: Free

Improving attendance is a key focus of our School Improvement Plan this year, and we've noticed that Mondays and Fridays are the most difficult days. Let's work together to make these mornings easer and more enjoyable for everyone.

Y Pantri

Our Pantri is open to the families of our school and wider community every Friday morning between 8.45am and 9.15am.
If you would like to use the Pantri, there is a £3 suggested donation which will allow you a bag of 10 items from the shelves.



If you would like to donate to the Pantri, we are always accepting donations and we are grateful for all those who show support.

Chwaraeon RhCT
SportRCT

Join us and...

Spring into Sport

Easter Holiday Sport Camps

2026

WEEK 1:

MONDAY 30th March

10:00am - 11:00am
Disability Multi Sports
TONYREFAIL Leisure Centre
6-16 year olds
£2.00

11:00am - 11:45am
Family Sports
PENYWAUN Community Centre
2-5 year olds
FREE

TUESDAY 31st March

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
SOBELL Leisure Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
SOBELL Leisure Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
SOBELL Leisure Centre
6-12 year olds
£3.00

WEDNESDAY 1st April

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
RHONDDA Sport Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
RHONDDA Sport Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
RHONDDA Sport Centre
6-12 year olds
£3.00

THURSDAY 2nd April

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
Y PANT Comprehensive Pont-y-clun
2-5 year olds
£2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
Y PANT Comprehensive Pont-y-clun
2-5 year olds
£2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
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Scan the QR code

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WEEK 2:

TUESDAY 7th April

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
SOBELL Leisure Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
SOBELL Leisure Centre
2-5 year olds
£2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
SOBELL Leisure Centre
6-12 year olds
£3.00

WEDNESDAY 8th April

10:00am - 12:00pm
Hockey Camp
YSGOL AFON WEN 3G Hawthorn
6-12 year olds FREE

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
RHONDDA Sport Centre
2-5 year olds £2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
RHONDDA Sport Centre
2-5 year olds £2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
RHONDDA Sport Centre
6-12 year olds £3.00

1:00pm - 3:00pm
NO NEED TO BOOK:
3G Open Access
DARRAN PARK 3G Ferndale
11-25 years old FREE

THURSDAY 9th April

10:00am - 10:45am
Netball Camp
RHIGOS Community Sports Hall
5-7 year olds FREE

10:30am - 11:15am
Sports Tots
Y PANT Comprehensive
2-5 year olds £2.00

11:30am - 12:15pm
Balance Bikes
Y PANT Comprehensive
2-5 year olds £2.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm
Multi Sports
Y PANT Comprehensive
6-12 year olds £3.00

1:00pm - 3:00pm
NO NEED TO BOOK:
3G Open Access
SOBELL L.C.
TONYREFAIL L.C.
YSGOL AFON WEN
11-25 years old FREE

FRIDAY 10th April

10:00am - 11:00am
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HAWTHORN Leisure Centre
6-16 year olds
£2.00

11:00am - 11:45am
Family Sports
GLYNCOCH Community Centre
2-5 year olds
FREE





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Our celebration gallery



Llwynypia Primary School
Handwriting and Presentation Award



Llwynypia Primary School
Seren Siarad Cymraeg Award

Our celebration gallery



Llwynypia Primary School
Kindness Award



Llwynypia Primary School
Gold Star Award

Our celebration gallery



Darts Champion



BCA
Cheerleading and
Dance Champs

Our celebration gallery



Dance Superstars



Dance Superstars

Our celebration gallery



Gymnastics Competition



Our Players of the Week
Football