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Dear Parents / Carers,

We would like to welcome you all back to the new school year. I feel privileged to work with such well behaved children, enthusiastic staff and supportive parents. We are all very much looking forward to the year ahead. The children have all settled in extremely well and are keen to work, looking very smart in their new school uniforms. Many thanks for your support and we look forward to a positive and productive year. *Croeso'n ôi i flwyddyn Ysgol newydd. Hoffwn groesawu plant a rhieni newydd i'n plith hefyd. Rydym yn edrych ymlaen i weithio gyda chi yn ystod y flwyddyn. Mae'r plant i gyd wedi setlo'n dda ac yn awyddus iawn i weithio.*

### Weekly achievers

Our list of 'weekly achievers' are displayed in the School Office window. Please look out for them!

Attendance this week: 98.5%

Class 1 - 98.6%

Class 2 - 97.6%

Class 3 - 99.3%

Well done to all.

**New School Council:** Ceri Owen, Lewis Jones, Ashton Moore, Ffion Roberts, Noah Spindler, Thomas Williams, Kai Churchman, Evie Payne, Cerys Anne Roberts, Ellie Roberts.

House Captains:

**ALWEN**

**Brenig**

**CELYN**

House Captains: ALWEN: Haf Davies  
Jacob Owen

Vice Captains: Brooke Payne, Jasmine Barnes

BRENIG: House Captain: Ellie Roberts,  
Ted Saunders

Vice Captains: Lewis Roberts, Shelby Trippas

CELYN: House Captains: Hannah Brambles, Rhys Gelder

Vice Captains: Cerys Anne Roberts,  
Caelan Owen

After School Clubs start next Monday 12th September. They will finish at 4pm and run until half term.

**Tuesday** - Football Club KS2 4-5pm. £1. Mr Roberts

**Wednesday Eco Club:** Mrs Shickell KS2.

**Thursday** - Netball Club: KS2. Mrs Roberts

**Art and Craft Club:** Mrs Bartlett Year 1 and 2.

**Friday** - NO CLUB

**Cool Kidz - Monday - Friday 3.15 - 5.30 - Please see Mrs. Greenough should you need further information.**

### Money to school

Please may we encourage you to continue to send in any money to school in an envelope (used ones are ideal) with your child's name clearly written, amount enclosed and the reason for payment.

School dinners are currently £2.05 per day for all pupils.

### Fruit snack -

**Foundation Phase** pupils - £1.00 per week or paid in advance for the term (money in an envelope, marked with child's name if possible please).

**Juniors** - daily fruit snack available for 20p, money brought in daily please by your child. We do encourage all the children to eat items of fruit or vegetables during their morning and afternoon breaks.



### Class Topics

**Foundation Phase:**  
**Food and Celebrations**



**Juniors:**  
**The Tudors**



### DATA COLLECTION SHEETS

Please check that all your details are correct on the data collection sheets and return to school (even if all details remain the same) by **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September**. If any of your details change during the school year, please remember to let the school know. Many thanks.

### PE days

**Foundation Phase:** Tuesday and Thursday

**Juniors:** Tuesday and Thursday

Please ensure your child has their kit (black shorts, white plain T-shirt and trainers/pumps) in school with their names on every item. Thank you

**Homework** – is an important part of a child's education and enables you to share with your child what they are learning in class. Homework for all classes will start week commencing September 12th. Please continue to support your child to complete any tasks in the given time; we do try to accommodate all circumstances by giving you the choice to complete the work with your child over the weekend or during the week. Thank you for your support with this. Children in Foundation Phase will receive their homework on a **Thursday**. Homework at KS2 will be given on a **Monday**.

**Reading** – is a vital part of a child's development regardless of age or ability and they should be encouraged to read a little every night. We value the comments you also record in your child's 'Reading Record' and it is a constant liaison between home and school when we don't always see you to talk to face to face. Just your initials are sufficient just so that we know that you have read the comments in your child's 'Reading Record' from school also. Please may we remind you that Years 1 to 6 take home their reading book every night and it should be returned to school every day as the children could possibly need them during the school day, or may need to change the book. Reception children will be given a sounds book to practise sounds at home and will be given a reading book to take home once they know all their Jolly Phonics sounds.

### **FOBS AGM Monday 19th September 6:30pm.**

All welcome, new class representatives to be appointed and ideas for fundraising for the year. Please make every effort to attend as the money raised is important to buy those little extras for the children of Ysgol Brynffordd.

Your support throughout the year is much appreciated.

**Punctuality – 8.55am and 3.15pm** – The bell is rung at 8.55am and 3.15pm by a Year 6 monitor to alert the start and end of the school day. The children have settled in really well and therefore parents are kindly asked to leave their child on the yard to play and socialise with their friends after they have brought them onto the yard in the mornings. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### **Sponsored Walk: September 18th**

A reminder that FOBS are organising a sponsored walk at Loggerheads on September 18<sup>th</sup> in support of Child Line and school funds. All participants to meet in the car park at 9:30. There will be various walks for all ages. Please bring relevant clothing, footwear and your own refreshments. Please support this worthwhile venture. Your children will benefit from this support.

### **Caring for your child throughout the day –**

**Breakfast club** is available from **8:00am** at a cost of 50p per day, payable in the school office. This includes breakfast until 8:35. For children who arrive after 8:35 there is no charge. **No child can be cared for in school before 8.45am if they do not attend breakfast club.** **Cool kidz** – After school day childcare available Monday to Friday if required – please see Mrs Greenough if interested. This club is charged for and is extremely popular, so book your child's place early to avoid disappointment.

Many thanks to all who attended Cool Kidz Holiday Club. It was a great success this summer. Cool Kidz would like to thank St Michael's Church for inviting them to their Community Arts and Crafts Day. My thanks also go to Mrs Greenough, Miss Owens, Miss Hughes and Miss Evans for all of their hard work throughout the summer!!

### **Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

All staff and pupils can wear jeans to school and donate **£1 (suggested amount)** towards the **Jeans for Genes** charity. **Every penny counts! We have supported this charity for a number of years and it is a good way to help children less fortunate than ourselves.**

Dates for Diary will be with you as soon as possible. The last day in school before half term begins is **October 21<sup>st</sup>**.

### **Village in Bloom**

Mrs. Shickell and Mrs Greenough will be attending this Award ceremony at County Hall where Ysgol Brynford have been awarded 'Highly Commended' for the Village in Bloom and receive **£40** to spend in school. **Many thanks to everyone for all of their support and WELL DONE!**

**School Meals  
Next week – week 2**

**Website: Our school website is currently being updated and will be 'up and running' as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience in this matter.**

### **Roald Dahl Day**

On Tuesday 13 September we will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day. The children will take part in a range of activities which will celebrate a hundred years since the birth of Roald Dahl. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to bring in their favourite Roald Dahl book and celebrate their love of reading. If they do not have a book, then we have plenty in school to share!!!

The staff at Ysgol Brynffordd will endeavour to keep you updated and inform you of any changes, dates, trips, etc. We are very grateful for your support and thank you for helping us to make our school the happy, caring, thriving school it is today.

We have a fantastic team of staff in school. Miss Hedley is currently working in the Foundation Phase and I am delighted that Mrs Roberts and Mrs Bartlett have both decided to increase their hours. Many thanks to Mrs Shickell for her excellent work as Acting Headteacher last year. The school continues to benefit from her skill, experience and expertise.

We do have an 'open door' policy at Ysgol Brynffordd should you wish to speak to staff, however our morning routine where we greet the children on the yard is successful and we will maintain this system this next academic year.

Weekly newsletters will provide you with the information you need and it is hoped that you find these useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any concerns. Many thanks.

For those children who have requested music lessons they will begin next week.  
Guitar – Tuesday.  
Flute – Wednesday

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,  
*Rachel Critchell*  
Acting Headteacher / Pennaeth dros dro  
And the staff at Ysgol Brynffordd.