RHIGOS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday, 08 March 2019



"Together we plant the seeds for tomorrow's future"

This week's attendance is:-

Dosbarth 1 - 93.2%

Dosbarth 2 - 100%

Dosbarth 3 - 92.8%

Whole school attendance - 95.3%



This week, attendance is currently at 95.3%. As parents will be aware from the media, there is a huge emphasis on improving school attendance. We have been visited by the Attendance and Wellbeing service who monitor our attendance levels. We have been instructed to ask for medical evidence if a child is absent from school whose attendance levels is cause for concern. Without medical evidence from your doctor or the hospital your child will be given an unauthorised mark. Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in school unless they are genuinely ill and unable to attend school. Please help us achieve our target of 95.7% at all times.

Attendance letters have been sent home with your child today.

Welcome back after the half term holidays. It has been a very busy start to the new half term and it has been great to see the children getting involved and enjoying all the activities that have taken place this week.



Drivers are asked not to stop on any yellow lines, opposite the yellow lines or on the pavement as this causes danger to pupils and other road users.

Accidents can arise if views are obstructed or pedestrians have to negotiate between parked vehicles. I am sure that you agree that the safety of our pupils is paramount.



CONTACT DETAILS

Please notify us when you have new telephone and mobile contact details and change of address to make sure you are kept up to date with text messages from school

Holidays in term time

Can I remind everyone that holidays will only be authorised if your child's attendance for the 12 months prior to the holiday application is over 95% and stays above 95% to the date of travel.

National Tests

These will be held between May 7th and May 14th for years 2 to 6.

It is essential that your child is in School every day during this period. **No** holidays will be authorised during this period.

Lateness

A number of our pupils are arriving late to school every morning. Please could I remind all parents that school starts at 8.55am.

Breakfast club runs from 8.10am to 8.30am.

A member of staff is on yard duty from 8.45am.

Pancake Day/Shrove Tuesday

Class 1 made pancakes on Tuesday. They followed a recipe, mixed the ingredients and tasted their pancakes after they had been cooked! They were so excited to share their pancakes with me!



Signing out book

All children must be signed out by a parent or guardian when they are taken out of school during the school day and the school must have prior warning. Any hospital, dentist etc appointment letters/cards must be shown and kept on file. The book is kept in the school office and is monitored by the Attendance officer

Rhigos Primary School Playgroup

Playgroup is held every Thursday in the school hall from 1.15pm to 3pm.

Everyone welcome.

If you know of any child coming up to the age of 3 please ask them to contact the school to arrange a visit.

PlayGroup

Homework is sent home with our pupils every week.

Class 1 have a topic based theme.

Class 2 and Class 3 have been given homework folders.

Homework is given out every Friday and must be returned every Wednesday (for class 2 and 3).



World Book Day

Children came to school in their pyjamas and brought in their favourite book to share with their classmates. Class 3 had the opportunity of visiting the library where they were entertained by a story teller who played the violin as an introduction. The children had two books each and a bag of goodies. They are now members of all libraries in RCT.

Seren yr Wythnos



Class 1- Mali for settling into class confidently.

Class 2- Maggie for using the story we have been learning, to write her own story independently.

Class 3- Lillie for excellent dancing and a great effort all week.

Head teacher's Award - Arwyn for always thinking of good ideas to make Rhigos an even better place.



Siaradwr Cymraeg yr Wythnos This week's Welsh speaker is Leishan

"Criw Cymraeg"

One of our targets is to improve our Welsh knowledge:-

This fortnight (pythefnos)

the task is to find out how many National Parks are in Wales and can you name them.

St David's Day Celebrations/Eisteddfodd

It was lovely to see so many families, friends, governors and members of the community at our Eisteddfod on Wednesday. We were entertained by our children with songs and Welsh dancing and I hope you agree that the children were a credit to their families and our school. Awards were given for the various categories in our competitions – handwriting, craft & art and writing. Again, the response from the children and families over the half-term was amazing. The family activity – to design a 'welcome/croeso' sign for our school was judged by our School Council. The winner was Bethan Williams (Year 4) and her family. **Ardderchog Teulu Williams!**



Dates for

the Diary:





February 2019

March 2019

Thursday 14th - PTA meeting 3.30pm

Friday 15th - Red Nose Day - noses are on sale £1.25 each.

Monday 18th -School photographs

Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th - Parents evening

April 2019

Thursday 11th - PTA Easter Bingo 4.30 to 6pm

Friday 12th - End of term with Easter Service at Bethel Chapel

Back in school Monday April 29th

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SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our newsletter is also available on our school website



rhigosprimary.co.uk

where you can also find lots of other information. Please take a look.

Red Nose Day March 15th 2019

Disney is the theme for RND this year. The School Council met yesterday and decided that for RND pupils can come dressed as a Disney RED NOSE DAY

character or wear something red on Friday, March 15th 2019. Also, on that day Rhigos Primary will have 'Red Factor'. This is an opportunity for pupils to perform. They will be able to audition in their class and two acts will be put forward for the grand finale in the hall on Friday. Families can make a voluntary donation of £1. Cakes will also be on sale. We also kindly ask for any donations of copper coins to cover a 'red nose'.

All monies collected will be donated to the Red Nose Charity.

Parents' Evening

Parental consultations will take place on Tuesday, March 26th 2019 and Wednesday, March 27th 2019. Appointment letters will be sent out next week.

School Photographs

The school photographer will be here on Monday 18th March.
Group photos will be taken first at 8.30am

Joke of the week

- Q.) What do butterflies sleep on?
- A.) Caterpillows

(Esmae)

Josh C went to a restaurant on the moon, he said the food was good but there was no atmosphere!



Class 3 have been studying 'Wonders of the World' this term. As part of this topic the children were able to 'explore' Wonders of the World using technology and VR (virtual reality). The children have been so enthralled they have 'swam with dolphins', visited the Taj Mahal, seen the inside of a pyramid and walked along the Great Wall of China and that's just the first session!!



Lunchtime menu

The menu has changed slightly.

New copies are available from the kitchen or office and the menus are also displayed on the School notice board

