# RHIGOS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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



This weeks attendance is 93.1%

#### **Pupil Voice**

As we are still in our class bubbles the children have been finding out what has been going on in each other's classrooms by phoning their class mates.

In Nursery Kayden interviewed the Nursery and found out that:

"They have been learning about the life cycle of a bean with actions. They have been learning the letter sound 'eggs in a pan' and in maths they have been or-

dering flowers in the garden 1 - 10 on the computer!" Kayden agreed that they have been busy.

They have also been growing beanstalks and Mrs Mundy has been told quite clearly by the class **Don't Touch!!** 

Maisie phoned Class 1 and has reported:

"Class one have been learning about brushing their teeth. They even had a virtual lesson on the topic!! They have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. Class one have been learning about adding to 100!!"

Natalie phoned Class Two and has reported that:

"In Class 2 they have been learning about fractions. In English they have been learning about Chinese folk tales. Their topic is Global Gourmet. Finally, they have been learning about Healthy Eating".

Esmae reported for her own class:

"In maths we are converting measures. In science we have been learning how a food chain works. In English they have been writing adventure stories. In Art they have been doing Welsh paintings with Mrs Mundy. In RE they have been learning about Hindus with Miss Harris. In Welsh, they have been writing letters."

# Seren yr Wythnos



Nursery - Olivia for designing fantastic flower pots on "Purple Mash".

Class 1- Jake for a fantastic piece of work on the computer.

Class 2- Belle for always working hard and being a mature member of our class.

Class 3- Gracie for an excellent effort in maths.

#### Head teacher's Awards -

Avah May for telling me about her work and for using words such as "chrysalis".

Rhiannon for reading with such lovely expression and enjoyment.

Maisie for her wonderful sketches in charcoal in the style of the Aberdare Artist Nicholas Evans.

## Seesaw Homework

As you can see we have a new celebration certificate. This is the 'Certificate of Achievement' for their work on online learning. As a school we are encouraging all pupils to have a go at 'remote learning' as this will prepare our children should we ever experience another lockdown. Please encourage your child to complete their online tasks.

If you have any queries or require your child's passwords and log on details please contact the school and we will do our best to help. This week certificates go to -

Class 1 Khloe

Class 2 Mollie

Class 3 Olivia P and Natalie

Well done!



#### 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



#### Absence messages

When your child is absent from school a message should be left on the school phone informing us of the illness

Unfortunately saying "unwell" is not acceptable by the Attendance and Wellbeing Service, so we ask for your support in that a more detailed explanation is given.

As we continually update our records please could you inform us of any NEW allergies that your child may have



### Health & Safety

When leaving the school grounds please could you hold your child's hand when entering Heol Y Graig to ensure that your child remains safe and cannot run onto the busy road.

Heol Y Graig gets very busy and we ask that parents and families do not park on the pavements or opposite the zig-zag lines outside the school entrances.

Diolch yn fawr

#### Pupil contact details

Please can you notify the school of any change of address or contact details as soon as any changes are made for your child.

### **INSET**

The school will be closed for all children for staff training on

Friday May 28<sup>th</sup> 2021

(this is the Friday before Whitsun Half term). The Welsh Government are making Covid-19 testing available to people with a wider range of symptoms such as fatigue, muscle ache or pain, a sore throat, a headache, a runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhoea. This is because some variants and young children do not display the classic three Covid-19 symptoms initially.

The request therefore is for people (including children) to get a test **if they are feeling unwell in any way**. Further details on how to apply for a test is provided at <a href="https://gov.wales/apply-coronavirus-covid-19-test">https://gov.wales/apply-coronavirus-covid-19-test</a> or simply call the free number 119 between the hours of 7am to 11pm.

Individuals and their households who take a test because of these other wider symptoms are <u>not</u> required to isolate while they await their test result. This includes learners, who can continue to attend their school or setting while they await a test result.

If individuals then receive a positive Covid-19 result, they and their household must then isolate. Households must also isolate if anyone develops any of the three classic Covid-19 symptoms (Fever greater than 37.8C, new persistant/continuous cough, change in taste/smell) while waiting for a test result taken on wider symptoms to come back.

Clearly, children and adults with diarrhoea and/or vomiting should not attend their school/setting until they are symptom-free for 48 hours, even if their Covid-19 test result is negative.

The FAQs on the Council's website have been updated to reflect this latest advice – <u>www.rctcbc.gov.uk/schoolfaqs</u>