

RHIGOS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday, July 7th 2023

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Seren yr Wythnos

Class1 Tommy S for working so enthusiastically, signing beautifully and having good listening

Class 2- Lyncon—for using imaginative words in his poem

Class 3- Evie E for always playing nicely with her friends and classmates

Head teacher's Awards -

Jake W for always being sensible and organised

Kami for telling me about her activities outside school

Finley for thinking of clever words when describing the zones in our school

Maggie for being so brave

Riley for telling me all about his football achievements



This week's school attendance is

92.12% (target 93.5%)

We have regular visits from the AWS (Attendance and Welfare Service) who monitor school attendance to identify any absences that cause concern.

Frequent absences will have a serious effect on your child's progress. If a child misses one day a week, over their whole school career, it will mean that they will miss over two years education. This is very likely to mean they will not fulfil their academic potential.



Criw Cymraeg have decided on

Ymadrodd yr Wythnos

Phrase of the week

Esgusodwch fi

Excuse me

DEWI

This week's Welsh speaker is

Arya

Da iawn!

We enjoyed listening to Dewi's adventures with Arya's family during our Welsh assembly.

Ardderchog!!



LOST PROPERTY

During this warm weather lots of jumpers and cardigans are being separated from their owners!!

Please can you check that your child's school uniform has their name on it so that they can be reunited.



Sports Day

Sports day will be held on our school field on Monday, July 17th 2023 (weather permitting) at 1.30pm.



Please can your child wear a t-shirt of their house colours:

Y Foel ~ yellow

Y Graig ~ red

If you are not too sure please see your child's class teacher.

All welcome ~ we look forward to seeing you.

Fingers crossed for good weather.

Toddler Playgroup

Toddler Playgroup is held every Tuesday 9am until 10.30am in the school hall.

All welcome

£1.00 for a snack and drink



The parents of our Year 6 pupils would like to invite the families of our Year 6 pupils to the Leavers' Party on Friday July 7th 2023 in the marquee at the New Inn at 6pm.



All staff are welcome too

Keeping Safe

South Wales Fire and Rescue Service came to talk to Class 2 and Class 3. They learned about the dangers of fires both outside and in the home. They learned how to keep safe and the prevention of fires.



Gwasanaeth Tân ac Achub
De Cymru
South Wales
Fire and Rescue Service

Dates for your diary

Please note these dates are subject to change

Monday July 10th ~ Transition Day to ACS Y6

Tuesday July 11th ~ Transition Day to ACS Y6

Tuesday, July 11th ~ Transition Day for Y5 at St John's

Monday, July 17th 2023 ~ Sports Day at 1.30

Tuesday, July 18th 2023 ~ Transition Day for Y5 at ACS

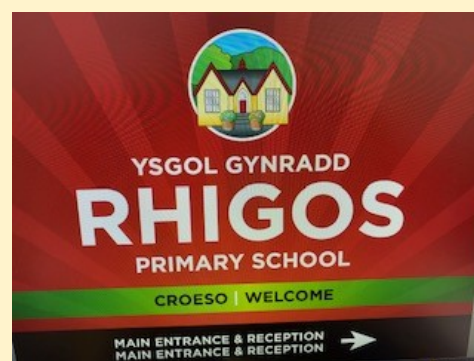
Tuesday 18th –Thursday 20th ~ Cycling for Y6

Wednesday, July 19th ~ Disco & non school uniform day

Thursday, July 20th 2023 ~ Golf workshop day

Friday, July 21st ~ Toy Day & Celebration Assembly

Monday July 24th ~ INSET/End of Term



Leavers' Concert

We would like to invite the families and friends of our Year 6 pupils to their Leavers' Concert in our school hall on Thursday, July 13th 2023 at 1:30pm. We look forward to seeing you

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

Following a monitoring meeting with RCT's Attendance and Wellbeing Service, if your child is unwell medical evidence is required otherwise the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.



Road Safety

In the interest of safety for all our children please do not park on the yellow lines in front of the school and from parking on the pavement opposite the entrance of the school. With poor visibility during bad weather crossing the road becomes very hazardous when the traffic is increased at the start and the end of the school day.



Pupil contact details

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



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



Please remember that animals are not permitted on the school



Sun Lotion

With the warmer weather coming please ensure that your child is wearing sun cream to school. Your child may bring sun cream to school. Please put your child's name on it. For our younger children, the staff can apply the cream and the child will be encouraged to rub it in. If you have any queries please see the class teacher. Diolch

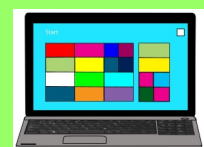


Please could children bring their reading books every day to school.



Home work will be posted online on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday.

If you have any problems accessing the homework please let your child's class teacher know.





Inflatables Fun!

There will be inflatable fun at the Sobell Leisure Centre, Aberdare.

Open to the Public—Everyone is Welcome
(Children must be able to swim 50m to participate in the session)

18:15—20:00

Friday 21st July 2023

Adults—£3.00 Children—£2.00 Please bring cash as we won't have card facilities and the correct amount if possible




We would just like to let you know that Mr Thomas will be leaving us at the end of this school year. Mr Thomas is to take up a new teaching post nearer his home. The school and the Governors would like to thank Mr Thomas for his commitment and working as part of our team. I am sure you would like to join with us and wish Mr Thomas the very best to him and his family

RCT Road Safety team will visit the school from Tuesday July 18th to Thursday July 20th to deliver road safety and cycling lessons to our pupils in Year 6. Your child will need a road worthy bike and a safety helmet. If you have any queries please contact the school.



The New Term 2023 –2024

The Governors and the staff are delighted to let you know that we have new members of staff joining us in the new term. We are excited with this opportunity and I am sure you will join with us in welcoming them on board. More details to follow ~ watch this space!!



We have received this information from The Director of Education that we have been asked to share with you.

Holiday Free School Meal Provision

Holiday provision for learners who are eligible for free school meals was introduced in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as a form of time-limited support to help families. While there have been several temporary continuations of the scheme, Welsh Government have confirmed on 28th June 2023 that despite fully exploring options for funding a further extension, it has not been possible due to funding constraints. The most recent extension to the end of May half term is the last. There will be no further extension to cover the summer holiday period or beyond.

I would be grateful if you could advise those parents/carers previously in receipt of the offer, that it will not be extended further and signpost them to these two useful resources: -

[Get help with the cost of living | GOV.WALES](#) - This page is regularly updated and provides information on possible sources of financial support, including our Discretionary Assistance Fund for people experiencing extreme financial pressures.

[Here to help with the cost of living | GOV.WALES](#) - This campaign seeks to encourage people to contact [Advicelink Cymru - Citizens Advice](#) for free impartial advice on maximising their incomes, including accessing any financial support.

Families might also be interested in the School Holiday Enrichment Programme (SHEP) which takes place in some schools. This scheme provides healthy meals, food and nutrition education, physical activity and enrichment sessions to children in areas of socio-economic disadvantage during the school holidays. The programme is promoted to children and families under the 'Food and Fun' brand identity. For further information, please visit ['Food and Fun' School Holiday Enrichment Programme - WLGA](#).

Year 6 Transition Days

Just a reminder that the children who have chosen to go to ACS will be having their transition days next week on Monday, July 10th and Tuesday, July 11th 2023.



Year 5 Discovery days At St John's Baptist High School

Tuesday July 11th 2023

Year 5 (only) Pupils will be collected from Rhigos School and returned in time for hometime. Letters have been sent with further details.

