



Brynhafren School Newsletter

Events this term

Welcome back everyone!

We have already got some dates organised for this term:

Thursday 15th September
- Y2- y6 Trip to Chester Zoo to launch our Rain forests and animal habitats project.

Monday 3rd October-
Cluster INSET day—**NO SCHOOL**

Thursday 20th October—
Harvest festival , donation of tins or dried food.

Friday 28th October-
Break up for half term

Monday 7th November-
Back to school

Wednesday 7th and
Thursday 8th December-
Christmas concert

Wednesday 21st December—
Last day of term.



Term dates for the year

Autumn term 1

Monday 5th Sep- Friday 28th October

Autumn term 2

Monday 7th November-
Wednesdays 21st Dec

Spring term 1

Monday 9th January- Fri 17th Feb

Spring Term 2

Mon 27th Feb — Thurs 30th March

Summer Term 1

Tues 18th April—Fri 26th May

Summer Term 2

Mon 5th June—Fri 21st July

Return to school

Tues 3rd Sep 2023

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Safeguarding

It is vital that all children have the right to be protected from harm and safeguarding is a high priority

The Lead safeguarding officer is Mrs Ellis

The safeguarding governor is Mrs Karen Pountney

Musical Instrument Tuition

Music Heroes visited school on the 7th September to do a demonstration. Letters have been sent home with the children regarding taking up instrumental tuition. They are offering free taster lessons before committing to lessons. Please return the slip to school by Wednesday 14th September if you would like your child to take up this opportunity.

Healthy Snacks

We are asking that children bring in healthy low sugar snacks for mid-morning.

Examples would be fruit, veg, yoghurt, cheese, crackers, a small sandwich, but I am sure that the children will think of other healthy options.

No sweets, chewing gum, fizzy drinks or energy drinks allowed in school.



Friends of the School

We are arranging a Friends of the school meeting for Thursday 29th September at 6:30 in school.

Please come along with fundraising ideas

The New Curriculum

The New curriculum is now statutory
It is based around the four purposes of developing all learners in Wales to become:

- ambitious, capable learners ready to learn throughout their lives
- enterprising, creative contributors, ready to play a full part in life and work
- ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world
- healthy, confident individuals, ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

Everything that is taught and learnt at school will have these 4 purposes as starting points when staff plan for the enriched

learning experiences that pupils will receive.

There are 6 areas of learning:

Expressive arts

Health and well-being

Humanities

Languages, literacy and communication including Welsh,

Mathematics and numeracy

Science and technology

with the skills of literacy, numeracy and digital competency being taught across all of these areas.

Our Chester Zoo trip will launch our new topic and hopefully encourage the children to raise lots of questions about what they would like to learn.

Manor Adventure

We have booked to take the children in KS2 to the Culmington Manor Adventure Centre on 24th-26th March.

There will be the opportunity to do many different adventurous activities.

All activities, meals and accommodation will be included in the costs of £161. We will be working out the transport costs once we have finalised numbers. We are asking for a £50 deposit to be paid by 30-09-22.

If you would like to know further infor-

mation please contact school



Newtown Science festival

There is a free science festival at Newtown High School on Saturday 17th September from 10-5.

Look on social media or search Newtown Science Festival to find out more.

It looks to be an exciting, hands on day for the family.



Our Governors

Our Governors work very hard to support the school. Your parent governors are Giles Frankling and Peter Evans.

We have a vacancy for a parent governor and nominations will be sent out next week. We would love to have you on board if you are able. If you would like to know more please ask one of the serving parent governors.

Our other governors are:

Katie Finlayson

Lucy Roberts

Mark Hart

Karen Pountney

Sarah Blackmore

Bottle Tops!

Please could you send in green and blue bottle tops into school for the Eco Council to make a display of the Earth in the hall.



PE

This half term class 2 are doing Rugby and class 1 are doing ball skills.

Children to come dressed in PE kits for the day

Wednesday— Class 2

Thursday- Class



Cauliflower Cards

Children have started to design their Christmas cards. Order forms for this fundraiser will be with you in October.

Staffing Update

Miss Roberts is now teaching Class 2 full time.

Mr Jones will be teaching class 1 full time until further notice.



Free School Meals

It is important that you make a claim for free school meals if you are eligible.

You will receive school uniform grants by doing so and school also gets extra funding if you have claimed.

Please look on the Powys LA website for further information or contact school for further information.

Reminder

- Please could all money and slips for the Chester Zoo trip be in by Monday 12th September
- Emergency contact forms need to be returned with up to date medical info and contacts asap.

Communication

Schoop- We send out information regularly on schoop. Please register for the app, the school ID is 4659

If you need to contact Mrs Ellis please email head@brynhafren.powys.sch.uk or phone school on 01743884455 .

On a Monday, Tuesday and Friday I can be contacted on 01686626337at Maesyrrhandir School.



Attendance

Please make every effort for your child to be in school ready to start lessons at 8:45.

If your child is not in due to illness please contact the school on the first day so that we can update the register.
