



# Llangewydd Junior School

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Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,  
Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back. It was lovely to see all our pupils return to school last week and to also welcome our new additions from other schools. Many staff have commented upon how smart our pupils look and I must say a big thank you to parents for this. As a school community we were so very sorry to learn of the passing of the Queen. All teachers have met with their (leadership) team to discuss the matter, the potential impact on pupils and the way that each class can best manage this difficult time. Our school flags will remain at half-mast until the period of mourning has ended. Our school (along with all other schools in Bridgend) will be closed to all pupils and staff next Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. **(PLEASE NOTE THAT, AS HAS BEEN OUR APPROACH FOR SEVERAL YEARS, FUTURE NEWLETTERS WILL NOT BE PRINTED, ONLY EMAILED).**

## School Photos

These will be held at school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept.

## Communications

There is a tremendous amount of work to be done to get our systems 'up-and-running' at the start of the academic year. As of today, we have validated the information provided by feeder schools, parents and guardians therefore our text messaging system to parents is now up-and-running.

## Access

Thank you so much for all of the support you have shown around our arrangements for access at the start and end of the school day. Only by having three designated entrances and by having a slight 'stagger' to the start and end times of year 3 can we lessen the safeguarding issues that formerly arose prior to these arrangements. Some transitory arrangements are in place, with a very few siblings in years 4 and 6, but we hope that by the end of next week these will no longer be needed. We have, however, had a complaint from several of our neighbours, stating that parents are blocking the driveways of their homes when collecting and dropping off – please park courteously, drive slowly and respect the access needs of nearby homes.

## School Trips

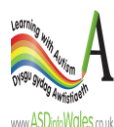
Were you to browse the calendar on our website you would see the array of school trips organised for this half term. As we did last year, we hope to largely fund these trips but please recognise that this can only occur while we have the funds to do so. After half term, we may need to ask for contributions from parents, in order to make these trips viable.

## Behaviour System

Our whole school system is called 'Good-to-be-Green'. Each Friday (from this week) you should receive a text from the school to say that your child has behaved well during the week. If your child has had a red card during the week, his or her class teacher would have informed you of this (on the day it was issued) and provided you with details of events leading to the red card. If your child is 'on' a yellow card on a Friday, you will not receive a text.

## Awards

In school from this week we will be returning to our various award systems. These include (but are not limited to) 'Class Pupil of the Week', LEXIA (a reading intervention) Certificates and 'Tocyn Iaith' (Welsh awards). Information about these awards will be tweeted by your child's class teacher.



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## After School Clubs

From the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (not next week but the week after) we be resuming our after-school clubs as detailed in the table below.

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 6 – Construction Club (max 6) Ms Morgan	Year 3 only – Reading and Craft with Ms Bismire	All year groups – Eco-Club with Ms Jury
Year 5 and 6 only – rugby with Mr Dixon	Year 5 and 6 only – Football with Mr R Davies	Year 4&6 only - Library Rangers with Ms Woolford (until 4.30pm)
Year 5 and 6 only – Netball with Miss Davies	Year 5 only - Yoga & Circuits (alternatively) with Miss Cousins and Mrs Card	
All year groups – Cross Country with Miss Bartle	Year 5 only – ‘Gardening Club’ with Ms Woolford (until 4.30pm)	
All year groups – Choir with Mr Evans	Year 5 – Cookery (until 4.30pm) with Ms Preece and Mrs Clark	
All year groups - Homework Club with Miss Bethan Jones	All year groups – ‘Fun with French’ with Mrs T Davies	

## Please note:

**AS AGREED PREVIOUSLY, COLLECTION WILL BE FROM THE HEOL Y FRENHINES EXIT ONLY. FOR ALL OF THESE CLUBS YOU WILL NEED TO RETURN A COMPLETED PERMISSION SLIP (INCLUDED SEPARATELY) BY FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER.**

Unless specifically indicated otherwise, all after school clubs are open to both boys and girls and will run for approx. 45 mins from the end of the school day until 4.15pm. Pupils who have indicated they need collection and are collected late, risk being unable to attend future sessions.

*We will also be arranging the following clubs at lunch time in school. No permission slips are required for pupils to attend these clubs as the staff member running the club will informally establish attendees, timings, location, etc.*

## Lunch-time Clubs

Monday	Wednesday
Year 4 (initially) Guitar with Mr Davies	Year 4 only ‘Sewing Club’ with Ms Preece

Kind regards,

Neil Clode





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## After School Club Permission

If at any time arrangements change, you must contact the school immediately.

Name of After School Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Day of the week, start and finish time:

### To be completed by the parent or guardian:

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Please delete one of the following two statements:

***I give permission for my child to attend the above named club and wish to inform you that my child will be met by a responsible individual when the club finishes at the time stipulated above.***

***I give permission for my child to attend the above named club and wish to inform you that my child will not be met when the club finishes and I give permission for them to walk home unaccompanied.***

I have read and understood the guidelines, systems and reasonable precautions set out in the school's 'Policy on Safeguarding Pupils Walking to and from School Alone' (available on our website). I fully understand that once I give permission for my child to walk home from school alone, the school is not responsible for my child's actions, or whereabouts once they have left school premises. My child is under no obligation to attend the club every week but I will make every effort to inform the school if my child is not able to attend for whatever reason. I recognise that while a register of attendees is always taken, non-attendance is not followed up by the coordinator as attendance is voluntary and to do so would render it impractical to hold the club.

Signed.....

(Name print).....

Date: (d/m/y) .....

