

YSGOL OWEN JONES CP



Newsletter – 1st July 2022

Dear Parents

Moving up day

We had a very successful Moving Up day and the children enjoyed being in their new classes in preparation for the Autumn Term.

National Tests

All children have done really well, tried their very best and demonstrated a very mature attitude to the tests. Any children that have been absent this week will take the tests next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

School Payments

As the end of the summer term is fast approaching, can **all school outstanding payments** be settled.

School Trips

Class 1 will be visiting Greenacres Farm Park on Monday 4th July. Miss Gould has sent a reminder of what the children will need for the trip on seesaw today.

Year 6 Transition

Flint High

- Main Induction days - Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th July (children will be having lessons, meeting teachers and students) - starts at 8:45, your child will be greeted at reception by a member of staff. In uniform please and a packed lunch.
- Thursday 6th July - Parent's information evening is at 6 pm (you will be given a booklet which explains uniform and any other information).

Bikeability (Year 6)

This will take place on Monday 4th July and Tuesday 5th July. Due to the number of children taking part, this will now take place over 2 days only. Please ensure that your child's bike and helmet are in school with them ready for Monday morning.

Extra- Curricular Clubs

There are no more Extra- Curricular clubs for this term, apart from Drama club & Language Club. Drama Club will continue until the end of term.

Please note: There will be no language club on the 4th July but it will continue on the 11th July.

Music Ensemble

Parents are invited to attend the Music Ensemble on Monday 18th July at 1pm, where each class will perform a musical item. It will also feature our instrumental players and drama group.

Drama Production

As we are in our last few rehearsals of the drama production it is really important that children attend each session.

Next week drama will be on Tuesday and Thursday until 4.30pm. The following week Tuesday's drama session will be until 5pm and the production will be on Thursday 14th July at 5.30pm. On this day children will stay in school until the production. Children can bring a snack with them to eat after school/ before the production.

The parents of those children attending drama club are invited to the production on the 14th July.

Can all costumes please be in school on Monday 11th July.

School Meals Update

As you may be aware, as part of the Co-operation Agreement, Welsh Government and Plaid Cymru have announced plans and funding to offer every primary school pupil in Wales a free, nutritious school meal by 2024. Universal primary free school meals will be introduced in a phased way, starting with children in reception from September 2022. Locally Flintshire County Council are working, with other organisations, to support delivery of Welsh Government's Policy for universal primary free school meals.

To help Flintshire County Council plan effectively they would be grateful if you, as parents of local primary aged children, could share some information with them by completing a survey. This can be done by following this link <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/prydausgolamddim-freeschoolmeals/> or completing a paper copy attached. Completing this survey is voluntary and your information will be provided anonymously. For further information about online and offline research and your privacy please visit our website:

<https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Council-and-Democracy/Online-and-offline-research-and-your-privacy.aspx>

The survey will remain open until 23:59 on Sunday 17th July 2022.

Summer Reading Challenge

Please see the details below regarding the Summer Reading Challenge which is being organised once again this year by The Reading Agency (www.readingagency.org.uk) and the UK public library network.

Dear Parents,

The Summer Reading Challenge combines **FREE** access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays. Throughout the Challenge, library staff and young volunteers support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading.

How the Challenge works

Summer Reading Challenge 2022



**Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.**

- Children sign up through their local library and receive a Gadgeteers collector poster.
- Children set a reading goal and borrow and read library books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers to complete their poster and extra incentives along the way.
- Library staff and volunteers are on hand to advise and run family-friendly activities.
- Children who complete the Summer Reading Challenge are presented with a certificate and a medal.
- The official Challenge website hosts digital rewards, author videos, games and more for children to enjoy all

summer: www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

PTA – Summer Fayre 9th July

We are looking for any assistance with this big event, as many hands make light work. If any parents would like to get involved with the PTA in this capacity, we would very much appreciate it. Please contact the PTA at owenjones.pta@gmail.com.

Absences

Please could you notify the school office either by email ojmail@hwbcymru.net or phone call if your child is going to be absent from school.

PE Days / Forest School

| Class | PE Days | Forest School |
|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Thursday | Friday (am) |
| 2 | Friday | Friday (pm) |
| 3 | Wednesday | Tuesday (pm) |
| 4 | Tuesday & Wednesday | N/A |
| 5 | Wednesday & Friday | N/A |

Fruit Tuck

We provide a fruit tuck stall every morning at break time and have a register for those children who are having fruit. We would appreciate this being paid for the Summer term via the Gateway App at a cost of £1.50 per week.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate in contacting the school.

Diary Dates

July

- 4th - Class 1 Greenacres Farm Park Trip
- 4th & 5th - Bikeability Year 6 (over 4 days)
- 9th - Summer Fayre
- 14th - Drama Production
- 18th - Music Ensemble
- 19th - School Closes

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Mr Caughter and the Team.

