

YSGOL OWEN JONES CP



Newsletter – 10th September 2021

Dear Parents,

We have a super first full week in school and the children have already fully settled back into the routine of school. It has also been lovely to have our new Nursery pupils start this week and I would like to welcome all the nursery children and their families to Ysgol Owen Jones.

Class Booklets

The class teachers have all sent out their class booklets which provides information on their topic/mantle, home-school reading, spelling, homework and other key information. I hope you find these booklets useful.

Person Centred Profiles

At the start of the year we like to review and relaunch our Person Centred Profiles in Ysgol Owen Jones for all children. The profiles reflect what is important to your child and provides us with information on the best ways to support them. A copy of the Person Centred Profile has been sent home with your child. Please complete these and return them to school.

Seesaw and Google Classroom

Pupils in Nursery to Year 3 should all have received new Seesaw Family invites along with a new pupil QR codes today if they have not already received them. The family invite will allow you to see the work the children are doing in class and the QR code will allow the children to access the activities set by the teachers and to upload their work including spellings, and homework.

Pupils in classes 4 and 5 will once again be using Google Classroom. All homework and spelling tasks will be set on this platform. Mrs Evans will be working with the Year 4 pupils so they are familiar with this platform. All the children need to access Google Classroom is their HWB username and password which they have been reissued with.

Sickness

As I am sure you are aware we have had a large number of children off school this last week with a sickness bug. Can I please remind you all, that a child cannot return to school for 48 hours after they have been sick. It is imperative that everyone adheres to the 48-hour rule, as otherwise the sickness very quickly spreads across the class and the school.

Pupil Elections

Pupils in classes 2,3, 4 and 5 have or will be taking part in the elections for the different positions in the school over the next week. The children will have the opportunity to be elected to the School & Eco Council, Criw Cymraeg or ECadet & Digital Leader.

We are asking the children to prepare a short speech or presentation explaining why they want to be elected onto this different committees and why they would be good in that particular role.

Mrs Evans has also created a job description for the ECadets/Digital leaders and asked them to produce something to show off their ICT skills. The job description is attached to this Newsletter.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We are pleased to share with you that we are now able to offer our extra-curricular Cubs to children in Years 1 to 6 having being cancelled over the last 18 months or so. Further information has been sent out in the Extra-Curricular Bulletin detailing the days and timing of these clubs. We would be grateful if you could return the pro-forma stating which clubs your child would like to attend by the latest **Monday 13th September**.

Pupil Record Update

To ensure we have accurate pupils' records, please ensure you have returned the completed form.

Swimming (Years 3 to 6)

Our 8 week swimming program will start on Tuesday 14th September for KS2 children (Yr 3-6). Please can you ensure the consent slip is returned to enable your child to participate.

The children are to wear their PE kits on Tuesday when they go swimming. The swimming session will be their PE lesson on a Tuesday for the next 8 weeks.

PE Days including swimming / Forest School

The majority of pupils came into school in their PE kits on their PE days this week and they all looked extremely smart. Can I thank you for supporting the school with this new approach and for following the new School Uniform/PE kit policy.

Please note: Class 5 have changed their PE days and they will now take place on a Tuesday and Friday.

Class	PE Day/s	Forest School
1	Friday	Friday
2	Tuesday	Friday
3	Tuesday	Wednesday
4	Tuesday Wednesday	n/a
5	Tuesday Wed	n/a

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and thank you again for your continued support

Mr Caughter and the Team.



Ysgol Owen Jones



Digital Leaders/E-Cadets

We are looking for children in **Classes 2, 3, 4 and 5** who can show that they are responsible, committed and enthusiastic to join our digital leaders' team. You will need to have a good knowledge of ICT, using iPads and Chromebooks.

Responsibilities include:

- Learning and trialling new apps
- Organising, collecting and returning equipment
- Working in teams on projects.
- Teaching other pupils how to use certain programmes and apps.
- Having a good understanding of e-safety and working on the E-Cadet programme.
- Attending Digital Leader/E-Cadet after school session every Thursday until 4pm.

We would like to complete a presentation for your teacher on why you think you would make a good Digital Leader electronically either using an iPad, Chromebook or computer.

We can't wait to see who I will be working with.

Mrs Evans and Miss Simpson