

Ysgol Gynradd Deri View

Deri View Primary



School News!

It has been a busy and exciting two weeks in school for our children. Last Wednesday we were lucky enough to have a visit from best selling children's author Ross Welford, who gave an hour long talk to KS2 children about the history of story telling. Ross enthralled all present with his humour, and indeed his magic tricks. He later then took time to sign copies of his books which children had purchased. We here at Deri view are determined to give our children a life long love of reading and hopefully visits by authors and children taking their own book home will go some way towards that aspiration. Look out for another announcement shortly!! Also we hope to re open our school library once we have 'trained' our pupil librarians. We hope that children will take books home giving you the opportunity to read with them and share the joy. More information will follow shortly. This week children were entertained during our school assembly by Techniquet who were visiting to start a brilliant new project with Year 5 pupils. We have been fortunate to be one of only 5 schools in Wales chosen to take part in the STEM Polar Explorer programme. Year 5 pupils then took part in a whole day of whizzy science investigation to start the project. The Abergavenny Eisteddfod theme this year is 'Hustle Bustle' and we have sent home letters outlining details of the model making competition. Every year we are wowed by the number of entries and the creativity of our children. We look forward to this years masterpieces, the closing date is Monday 4th March, the day before our own school Eisteddfod, giving you the opportunity to work with your children over the half term. Spring term dates can be found on the 'Dates for your Diary' section on the back of this newsletter and as usual, updates are also available on our Twitter and Facebook pages as well as our website.

Will your child be an Attendance HERO each week? Here, Everyday, Ready and On time?

Our attendance target for this year is 94.7%. Good attendance at school means the best chances of success. Each week we will publish the attendance for each class who will receive the attendance award at Celebration Assembly each week. Attendance wb. 21/01/19

Reception	Reception/ Year 1	Year 1/2	Year 2	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4	Year 4/5	Year 5/6	Year 6
Miss Thomas	Miss Jones	Miss Pember	Mrs Jenkins	Mr Fuchs	Mrs Davies	Mrs Williams	Mr Callaghan	Mr Kane	Mrs Mayo
96.4%	94%	92.5%	91.9%	94.3%	95.7%	95.9%	97.1%	92.1%	97.2%

Well done to Year 6 who won "Captain Attendance" our attendance hero for the highest attendance!

5 classes were above our attendance target! Let's see if ALL classes can achieve this!

We understand that from time to time your child may be unwell, and if this is the case, they may not be well enough to attend school. If this occurs, it is important that you phone school and leave a message explaining their absence. The contact number is (01873) 735010.

Calendar Dates—Autumn Term

Here are some key dates for the Autumn term - don't forget to pop them on your calendar. Reminders will also be sent out on Facebook and Twitter as well as on our school website so please keep a regular check on these! **'Deri Brew' - Weekly tea and coffee session for parents takes place every Wednesday at 2.45pm—3.15pm - please come along for a chat, a tea/coffee and a biscuit (or two!)**

Training Days - 3rd May 2019 and 22nd July 2019

- Half term - 25th February - 1st March
- 5th March - School Eisteddfod celebrations
- 11th March - PC Cath internet safety workshops for Year 3 and 4
- 12th March - closing date for Abergavenny Eisteddfod entries
- Year 5/6 TK visiting Cardiff Airport
- 25th and 26th March - Parent consultations
- 10th to 12th April—Year 5 Hilston park residential trip
- 12th—29th April Easter Break

Don't forget... closing date for Eisteddfod models Monday 4th March

Diolch! Thank you!

Criw Cymraeg Ymadrodd yr Wythnos



Sut mae'r tywydd? - Maen rhewi -How's the weather?
It's freezing!!!
BRRRRR

Eco Committee and School Council News

School Council: The school will be supporting the new 'Veg Power' National initiative. Further details will follow however here is a link to the website should you wish to find further information.
<http://www.vegpower.org.uk/>

Eco Committee: We have set up a new recycling area in school and we are now working towards recycling crisp packets, biscuit wrappers, used pens, and empty tooth-paste tubes.



Seren Yr Wythnos



Each week we hold a celebration assembly where we celebrate all the wonderful work the children have done and award our Seren Yr Wythnos (Star of the Week) certificates. We also love to hear about our wonderful children's achievements outside of school, so if your child would like to share an achievement please let us know and we will share this with the school on Fridays. We will also put them on our achievements board.