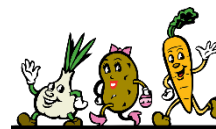




Brynnau Primary School Dosbarth Melyn & Coch Class Newsletter Spring Term 2025



Our topic this term is 'What's Around the Corner?' This term we will be going on adventures to find out 'What's Around the Corner?' We have received a letter from Kevin the Carrot to investigate fruit and vegetables. We are going to be busy sketching, writing poems, sorting, grouping, weighing, measuring and collecting data and making graphs about fruit and vegetables. We will be investigating artists and experimenting with art with a fruit and vegetable theme. We will be looking at weather and the seasons and the impact of what and when we can grow produce. We will be having adventures in Brynnau Woods, investigating habitats and different types of plants and animals. We will be very creative and enterprising making a product for our entrepreneurship project. We aim to explore a different idea and question chosen by the children every week and cover a wide range of fun, engaging and practical activities with the children. There certainly are lots of adventures ahead and it is going to be a VERY busy term! The children will continue to have daily access to the outside environment, including the woods so warm clothes will be appreciated as the weather becomes colder but fingers crossed for a pleasantly warm and dry Spring!

Language, Literacy and Communication

The children will read a range of books daily in class. Every day, we will practice high frequency words and phonics from the Monster Phonics programme. Please listen to your child read and practise the unit words. We will also practise these words with your child in school and new units of words will be sent home when required. Please sign the record and make a comment if you wish. **Reading books will be sent home every day. Please ensure that the book and book bag are returned to school every day.** Thank you! Enjoy sharing and talking about the book with your child and don't forget to read those all-important bedtime stories too! If your child is unsure of a word encourage them to break it down into sounds whenever possible. It is important that they can read and remember the words. Some suggestions as to how you can help with the words are as follows: - Playing I Spy or matching games by writing pairs of words onto paper, memory games using post-it notes to cover words, guessing what is covered/ missing etc. Weekly spelling patterns will be emailed via Teachers to Parents. We will practise these spelling and phonics daily in class. Please practise these words at home in preparation for the weekly challenge on Fridays. The children the Hairy Phonic Apps in class to practice their spellings and letter formation. Some Year Two learners have access to the Nussy programme to help with reading, spelling and writing. The children practice Nussy for 20 minutes daily in school. Please continue to support your child with Nussy at home.

Mathematics and Numeracy

Within Mathematics we will be learning and and revising the Autumn number facts and Learn Its. The new Year One **Learn Its** are 4+2, 5+2, 6+2, 7+2, 4+3, 5+3, 6+3. The new Year Two **Learn Its** are 5+4, 5+6, 6+7, 8+7, 8+9, the 5 and 10 times tables. In Year One we will **count** from 60-69, read the numbers 11-20, understand numbers to 10, count on and back in 2s, 3s, 4s, and 5s and count in 5s. In Year Two we will **count** past 100, read 2 digit numbers, partition 2 digit numbers, master numbers to 20, count in 2s and count 4 ways in 10s, 20s, 50s, 250; in 100s, 200s, 500s, 2500s; in 100s, 200s, 5000s, 2.5; in tenths, fifths, halves and quarters. In Year One we will double numbers 1 to 5, double 2 digit multiplies of 10, find the missing number to 10, solve a number sentence for addition and subtraction using the Learn Its and share an even number between 2. In Year Two we will double numbers up to 20, double 2 digit multiplies of 10, know half of 30, 50, 70 and 90, add 1 and 10 to a 2 digit number and 1 and 10 to a tens number, take away in tens, learn simple multiplication and division. We will also be measuring using g and kg, telling the time for $\frac{1}{2}$ past, $\frac{1}{4}$ past and to and 5 minute intervals on the analogue and digital clock. We will learn about fractions - halves, quarters, thirds and Year 2 will learn about mixed fractions. We will be learning to recognise coins and be able to make amounts using coins.

Other information

Please could children also bring in a pair of wellies **clearly labelled with their name** to be stored on our welly shelf for our woodland adventures. Most Friday afternoons, we will be visiting the woods to see what we can find out so, please make sure your child has wellies in school and a coat ready for our adventures. Apologies now but there may be many occasions when your child returns home a little muddy, but we promise you they will have had lots of fun!

Please remember that children are only allowed to wear small stud earrings and a normal watch or step watch (no smart watches with recording features) and that all other items of jewellery are not allowed to be worn in school. If you have any concerns please come and see a member of staff as we are always happy to help!

PE

On Mondays Dosbarth Coch and Melyn will have P.E. so they will need to wear their P.E. kit to school on the day. Please can the children wear a plain white t-shirt, dark shorts, leggings or a tracksuit bottom, a blue school jumper and trainers as some weeks we may go outside (depending on the weather).

The learners will have daily outdoor physical sessions as part of their daily learning.

Labels

Please can all items of clothing be clearly labelled with your child's name!

Fruit Snack

A **small fruit** snack is required each day. Please place all fruit snacks in a pot or plastic bag clearly labelled with your child's name. Please do not send snacks containing nuts into school.

Dinner Money

Dinner money is to be paid online.

Home Learning

The weekly Big Maths Learn Its and Spelling words will be emailed on a Friday via Teachers to Parents. Year One have 30 seconds to complete the Learn It and Year Two have 1 minute. The aim of the Learn Its is for the children to have rapid recall of the number facts. Year Two will continue to receive SAFE homework on a Monday. Please return by the following Monday.

If you have any concerns please come and see a member of staff as we are always happy to help! Here's to a fun filled term....! We are so excited!

Kind regards,

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