



# Brynnau Primary School

## Dosbarth Melyn & Coch

### Class Newsletter Spring Term 2026

We are very excited to introduce our new learning adventure! This term, our learning will centre on the big question 'What is out there?'—a theme designed to spark children's curiosity about themselves, their community and the wider world. Through real and imagined contexts linked to homes, families, travel, countries and holidays, the children will explore identity and belonging while beginning to understand places within and beyond their own locality.

Our learning will continue to be cross-curricular, practical and hands-on, with a strong focus on developing children's problem-solving, thinking skills, creativity and independence. The children will once again help shape the learning through their own 'I wonder...' questions, giving them ownership, increasing engagement and ensuring the learning remains meaningful to them.

By the end of this term, the children will have deepened their sense of who they are, where they belong and how they fit into the wider world. They would also have experienced lots of creative and fun learning adventures too!

#### 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. <https://monsterphonics.com/phonics-support-for-parents/> 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.

**Some useful apps are as follows:**

**Hairy Letters**- Games to reinforce learning and build letters into simple words, the Hairy characters and memorable animations make this a fun and engaging introduction to literacy.

**Hairy Phonics**- Introduces the digraphs that every child needs to learn. Two vowels join together and make one sound

#### **Dosbarth Melyn**

Reading books will be sent home every day. Please ensure that the book and book bag are returned to school.

#### **Dosbarth Coch**

Reading books will be sent home on a Friday. Please ensure that the book and book bag are returned to school on a Monday. Thank You!

#### **Dosbarth Melyn**

Weekly spelling patterns will be placed on Seesaw. We will practise these spelling and phonics daily in class. Please practise these words at home in preparation for the weekly challenge on a Friday. Some learners will have access to the Nessler programme to help with reading, spelling and writing. The children will practice Nessler for 20 minutes daily in school as part of our daily reading carousel.

#### **Dosbarth Coch**

Weekly spelling patterns will be placed in the children's individual reading record. We will practise these spelling and phonics daily in class. Please practise these words at home in preparation for the weekly challenge.

#### Mathematics and Numeracy

The children will be learning the following:

#### **Dosbarth Coch**

Revising Autumn Learn Its and learning new facts: 4+2, 5+2, 6+2, 7+2, 4+3, 5+3, 6+3

Counting: 60-69, 11-20, and counting in 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, doubling numbers to 5 and doubling multiples of 10

Solving simple addition/subtraction and finding missing numbers to 10

Sharing even numbers between 2, fractions: halves, quarters, thirds

#### **Dosbarth Melyn**

New Learn Its: 5+4, 5+6, 6+7, 8+7, 8+9, and 5× & 10× tables

Counting past 100, partitioning 2-digit number, Counting in 2s, and in 10s, 20s, 50s, 100s and simple fractions

Doubling to 20, doubling multiples of 10, and knowing halves of 30, 50, 70, 90

Adding/subtracting 1 and 10, and taking away in tens, introduction to multiplication and division

### Mathematics and Numeracy

On Fridays the children will complete a CLIC, SAFE (**Dosbarth Melyn Only**) and Learn It Challenge with the number facts and skills we have been learning. The aim of the Learn It challenges is for the children to memorise the number facts and know the answers off by heart.

### What can you do to help at home?

Encourage your child to practise their times tables.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train>

### Other information

#### Woodland Sessions

##### **Dosbarth Coch**

Please could you ensure that your child has a pair of wellies **clearly labelled with their name** in school for our woodland 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!

##### **Dosbarth Melyn**

Woodland sessions will be flexible this term. We will send a message via Seesaw to let you know when wellies are needed in school.

#### Jewellery

Please remember that children are only allowed to wear small stud earrings and a watch 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! Please **only** send in the blue book bag and not a ruck sack as we are limited on space.

#### PE

**Dosbarth Melyn and Dosbarth Coch will have P.E on a Wednesday** 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.

As always, if you have any questions about your child's time at school, please do not hesitate to ask us. A member of staff is available to talk to you on the door each morning, or again at the end of the school day and please free to email using the emails below.

Here's to fun filled term....! We are so excited!

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Kind regards,

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Mrs Gallagher

Miss Thomas

#### **Dosbarth Coch**

Mrs Wilson

Mrs Clarke

Miss Punter

