

# NEWSLETTER

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## PENBLWYDD HAPUS

We would like to wish Oliver T a happy birthday for next week.

## WELCOME

We would like to welcome Ciara to our year 4 class, we are sure she will settle in quickly.

## GROWTH MINDSET

A positive mindset can make a big difference to how we approach things.

**“Progress is impossible without change and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.”**

## CYMRAEG CAMPUS

Each week we will provide you with some Welsh phrases/word to try/learn with your family or within the community. Mwynhewch!

**Dw i'n \_\_\_\_ oed./ I am \_\_\_\_ years old.**

## WELSH APPS

Each week we will tell you about a free app to help your child learn Welsh: Ap Iaith – Gemau to enrich language

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

You still have time to complete the summer reading challenge – ‘Story Garden’ at Denbighshire Libraries until the end of September. Remember all you have to do is read 6 books! **Once completed remember to bring your certificates & medal to school to show your teachers and they can then select a book from the book vending machine.**

## DONATIONS

If you are having a sort out, we would appreciate donations of unwanted lunchboxes/bags and any unwanted PC mice. Thank you for your assistance

## AUTHOR VISIT

The author Steve Skidmore will be visiting school this Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. He will provide a whole school show to all classes and then he will work with Dosbarth Derwen on some oracy/drama activities.

He will bring along some of his books to sell and sign. The cost of the books are either £5 (paperback) or £10 (hardback – Shakespeare series), pupils may bring their money to school if they wish to purchase any.

## **SECONDARY ADMISSION**

Parents of year 6 pupils can now apply for secondary September 2026 admissions through Denbighshire County Council website. **The closing date is 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.**

Ysgol Dinas Bran have an open evening on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September, arrive between 5.30-6.30pm to start your tour** for pupils in years 5-6.

If you wish to have a tour of the school at a quieter time, please speak to Miss Ffion and she will give you the details.

## **NURSERY & RECEPTION ADMISSION**

Nursery and Reception applications for September 2026 admissions open from this **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** through Denbighshire County Council website.

The closing date for Reception applications is 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025 – **those who have children in our current nursery class will need to apply now for Reception.**

The closing date for Nursery applications is 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

## **PARENT PAY**

As your aware we use Parent Pay to pay for all school activities instead of sending cash to school. Parent Pay **do not** have an app available to download from any app stores. To use Parent Pay, you need to visit <https://www.parentpay.com/> from a mobile phone or PC. After logging in, you can save a shortcut onto your phone's home screen. If you have any difficulty accessing your account, please contact Miss Ffion.

## **URDD MEMBERSHIP**

The Urdd membership for 2025-2026 is now open. The cost is £12.50 per child but if you are in receipt of benefit related free school meals the cost is £1 per child. If you have 3 or more children you can get a family membership for £30. The national final will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> May in Anglesey, so not as far to travel this year, so it would be nice to have as many children join and compete as possible. To register for the Urdd membership, go on the Urdd website <https://www.urdd.cymru/en/> and click on 'Y Porth' and follow the instructions on the screen. If you need any assistance, please contact Miss Lewis.

**If any pupils in years 5 & 6 want to compete in the cooking competition next month, they will need to join the Urdd first.**

## **3-YEAR-OLD FUNDING**

If your child's 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday falls between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 and December 31<sup>st</sup> 2025, they are eligible for funding to attend the rising 3's at our school for the Spring and Summer term, 8.55-10.55am Mon-Fri.

To apply you will need to complete the online form on Denbighshire County Council's page, look for Early Education and the 10 hours funded education link. If you need any assistance, please contact Miss Ffion.

## EVENTS FOR W/B: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<p>Don't forget if you want to use the breakfast club for next week, you must register through the online form available on <b>our Facebook page from today and pay through your Parent Pay account</b>. The breakfast club opens at 8.15am.</p> <p><b>Nursery &amp; Reception Admissions Open for September 2026</b></p>
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<p><b>AM:</b> Visit from author Steve Skidmore. Signed books for sale: £5/£10.</p> <p><b>PM:</b> PE lesson - <b>Dosbarth Derwen</b> (Yrs.5 &amp; 6) You may come dressed in your PE kit and school Jumper.</p>
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>AM:</b> STEM Day @ Ysgol Dinas Bran – Year 6 Lunch will be provided. Pupils to bring a snack and a drink. Full uniform to be worn.</p> <p><b>PM:</b> PE lesson - <b>Dosbarth Collen</b> (Yrs.3 &amp; 4) You may come dressed in your PE kit and school Jumper.</p>
Thur 25 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>3.10-4.00pm:</b> Gardening club for registered children</p> <p><b>5.30-6.30pm:</b> Ysgol Dinas Bran Open Evening for year 5 &amp; 6 pupils/parents.</p>
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	<p>Don't forget the breakfast club online registration &amp; ability to pay on Parent Pay for the next week will <b>close at mid-day today</b>.</p> <p>European Day of Languages</p> <p><b>AM:</b> PE lesson - <b>Dosbarth Celyn</b> (Rec) &amp; <b>Dosbarth Helyg</b> (Yrs.1 &amp; 2) You may come dressed in your PE kit and school Jumper.</p> <p><b>PM:</b> Cross Country at Ysgol Dinas Bran. Dosbarth Collen &amp; Derwen. PE kit to be worn (spare uniform in a bag in case they need to change). Water bottles to be taken</p>

## MENU FOR WEEK BEGINNING: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025



If you have any dietary requirements, please don't hesitate to contact our school cook Aunty Dawn.

Packed lunches (Cheese, Tuna or Ham) or Filled jacket potatoes (Beans, Cheese or Beans & Cheese) can be provided every day instead of the choices of hot meals.

<b>Monday</b>	Salmon Star, New Potatoes & Peas Or Tomato Pasta Bake & Garlic Bread  Shortbread Biscuit & Milk
<b>Tuesday</b>	Katsu Chicken Curry & Rice Or Vegetable Burito Bowl  Fruit Yoghurt & Fruit Wedges
<b>Wednesday</b>	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce, Pasta Twists & Sweetcorn Or Frittata, Crusty Bread & Sweetcorn  Blueberry & Coconut Square
<b>Thursday</b>	Chicken Fillet, Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Broccoli & Carrots Or Vegetable Fritters with Sweet Chilli Dip  Fruit Yoghurt & Fruit Wedges
<b>Friday</b>	Beef Grill, Chipped Potatoes & Baked Beans Or Glamorgan Sausage, Chipped Potatoes & Baked Beans  Apple Flapjack

The menu may occasionally be subject to slight change dependant on food deliveries.