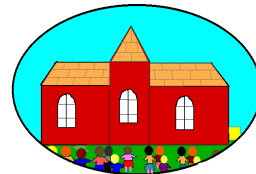




Tynyrheol Primary School

W/B 6th January 2020



Welcome back

We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. There are lots of things coming up this term, so please keep an eye out for any letters sent home and information in the newsletters.

Free School Meals

If you live in Bridgend County Borough and receive any of the following benefits, you can claim free school meals for your school-aged child:

- income support
- income based jobseeker's allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- income-related employment and support allowance
- child tax credit (but not working tax credit) if your annual income as assessed by tax credits does not exceed £16,190
- guarantee element of pension credit
- working tax credit 'run-on' (the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for working tax credit)
- universal credit (not in work)
- universal credit (in work) where your award is based on net annual earnings of under £7,400 from your employment or self-employment.

You can make an application on the BCBC website via My Account, a free online service available to all Bridgend County Borough residents. All applications completed online will be received and processed quicker. If you have any questions please contact the Financial assessments and benefits team. Email fsm@bridgend.gov.uk. Telephone 01656 643396.

Microsoft 365 is now FREE to learners and teachers in Wales

All you need is the pupils username and password. Simply log in to Hwb and download Office 365 (worth up to £69) on up to 15 of your personal devices.

Office includes: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Access, OneNote, Outlook and Skype for Business.

You can also access Minecraft Education Edition for free too!

Minecraft Education Edition is an open-world game that promotes creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving in an immersive environment.

How to get your software
<https://hwb.gov.wales/microsoft>

Fruit Money

Fruit money is now due in. If you would like your child to have fruit from next week and you haven't paid yet, the cost for the rest of the half term is £5. We have to order the fruit in advance and can only order fruit for those pupils who have paid. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED!!

We have a few 'jobs' that need doing around the school e.g. painting, cleaning the garden areas. If anyone could spare us some time, please let Miss Crowle know.

Year 6 Residential Trip

After the success of last years trip, we are in the process of organising another residential trip to Morfa Bay with other local schools for year 6 pupils. The trip will take place on Wednesday 8th - Friday 10th July. We are still negotiating price and will send consent forms home as soon as this has been confirmed.

Contact Information

Please can you ensure that should you change your phone number or address you let the school know as soon as possible so we can update our records.
Thank you.

Internet Safety

A number of children have been talking to staff about social media accounts. Whilst we can't enforce what you decide to allow your children to access, we would like to remind parents of legal age limits. Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter, and Instagram - 13 years old. Whilst there is no age restriction for watching videos on YouTube, users need to be 13 or older to have their own YouTube account.
WhatsApp - 16 years old.

Gazette St David's Day Photograph

The Gazette photographer will be coming in on **Tuesday 28th January** to take a St David's Day photograph of Dosbarth Gelli. Please can pupils in Dosbarth Gelli come to school dressed in their either traditional Welsh costume or red jerseys on this day.
Thank you

Parking

Please be reminded that it is illegal to park on the double yellow lines outside the school. The camera car is out and about and anyone caught will be fined. Please can you find a safe, legal place to park (i.e. The Richard Price Centre, in the bays just past the shop) when dropping off or picking up your children.

Extra Curricular Clubs

We are currently in the process of organising some new after school clubs, Rugby, Coding and Netball, these will be in addition to the current Football Skills club. Further information is to follow.