# Ysgol Gynradd Penclawdd Primary School





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Welcome back to school, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break. Our topic for the term is 'Predator'. The main focus will be on animals, their dietary needs and habitats. Our work will incorporate different areas from the curriculum. I 'II be able to give you more information on what we will be learning once the children have explored different ideas and planned what they want to learn. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the term, please do not hesitate to contact me either via the office or Seesaw. Best wishes, Mr. Miller



### Attendance

Please inform the school office if your child is unable to attend school by 9.15am each morning. Many thanks **Our January 'Right of the Month' is** 

Article 29 — To be the best that you can be



#### This term, we will be celebrating...

Date	Event	Location
January 25th	Dydd Santes Dwynwen	School
January 30th— February 3rd	National Storytelling week	School
February 1st	World Read Aloud Day	School
February 3rd	NSPCC Number Day	School
February 6th	Time to Talk Day	School
February 7th– 10th	Children's Mental Health Week	School
February 8th	Safer Internet Day	School
February 8th	Dydd Miwsig Cymru	School
February 14th	In school Plantasia visit	School
March 1st	Dydd Gwyl Dewi Sant	School
March 2nd	World Book Day More info to follow Parents invited in to read at 9am	School
March 13th – 17th	Science Week	School
March 17th	Comic Relief	School
March 23rd	Sharing the learning event More to follow	School

#### Please read weekly HT Blog and website

#### calendar for additional dates

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We regularly update Twitter with lots of pictures of the fabulous things that are going on in and around our school.



## **Class Information**

#### PPA and ALN Time

My PPA (Planning, Preparation and Assessment) time is on a Wednesday morning . I will also be out of class on a Wednesday afternoon as part of my role as ALNCo. The children will be with Mrs Williams and during this time and will continue to work on literacy and numeracy, as well as some doing dome artwork and learning about different religions.

#### PE/ Swimming

We will be doing PE on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that the children have suitable footwear for activities on these days. We will also be continuing our swimming lessons this term. Swimming will be on a Thursday afternoon.

#### **Outdoor Learning/ Forest School**

Outdoor Learning will take place on a Monday afternoon. Please

ensure your child brings wellies and a coat.

#### Homework

Home work will be sent out on a Friday and should be

returned to school by the following Thursday. It will consist of a mix of literacy and numeracy tasks. I will sometimes post the homework on Teams and share the answers with the children later in the week. We Will also send out a Topic related menu over the next couple of weeks which will be optional to complete.

#### **Spelling**

New spelling lists will shortly be sent home for the children to work on week y week. Children will also have access to their spellings via J2 Spell Blast. We will do an online spelling test each Friday morning in class.

#### Times Tables

Children will be tested on their multiplication tables weekly via J2 Blast. Children will work on rapid recall of the multiplication and division facts of each multiplication table. J2Blast is a great way to work on your target table and will be used regularly in school as a tool to learn multiplication tables.

#### **Reading Books**

Children have been allocated a reading book in school. They also have access to Oxford Owl at home, from which you can find

reading books from their stage. Please let me know if you need the login information. We encourage regular reading at home.

#### Fruit Trolley

Our fruit trolley is now fully up and running. Children can purchase fruit for 30p at playtimes.