



# Ysgol Frongoch

## Cylchlythyr - Newsletter

March 2025

S'mae!

Welcome to this month's Frongoch update where we share more detail of what has been happening in Ysgol Frongoch

### Pupil Voice Groups:

Criw Cymraeg	Took part in the Denbigh Saint David's Day Parade.
School Council	Invited feedback from peers regarding engagement and behaviour in Ysgol Frongoch.

### Dates for the Diary:

(Any new or amended dates will be added in red)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 - Year 6 Henllan Bakery visit

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April - Own clothes day, children to donate chocolate egg for Easter Bingo. Egg competition closing date.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Bingo from 5pm-7pm.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025 - School closes for Easter

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025 - Easter Break begins

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025 - School reopens for the Summer Term.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (TBC) - URDD Girl's Netball finals

SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL - GOOD LUCK MS DUMAYNE on running the London Marathon 2025 - We'll be keeping an eye out for you on our screens!

### SDP Priorities:

**This year's priorities for School Development at Ysgol Frongoch are:**

**Priority 1** – Ensure teaching provides appropriate challenge for pupils and that feedback helps them improve their work.

*Through SLT monitoring it was highlighted that there is a greater need for challenge within a number of the AOLE areas. This will be developed further with future staff training. Mrs Boyd and Mrs D Cooke met to collaborate with teachers from Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog to share our work on phonics. We shared how phonics is delivered in various forms dependent on the individual child's need and ability. Whole Staff training was held on 'Precision Teaching' to enable staff to support learners with specific interventions in order for them to make significant progress over time.*

**Priority 2** – Ensure teachers provide pupils with a range of learning opportunities to enrich their learning.

*Naomi from Learning through Landscapes visited school again to continue to help us with developing our outdoor spaces. Each class had a different short session delivered to them by Naomi which enabled the staff to develop their ideas for outdoor sessions whilst engaging the pupils.*

*Year 3 were able to access whole group singing tuition through the Music Cooperative. They visited both classes to deliver sessions on warming up our voices, breathing and of course, singing.*

**Priority 3** – Develop pupils' Welsh speaking skills throughout school.

*Criw Cymraeg helped celebrate St Davids day by taking part in the Denbigh town St Davids parade on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

**Priority 4** – Improve attendance of pupils who are persistently absent.

*Pupils' attendance data was shared with parents/carers during Parents Evenings this half term. Pupils whose attendance is below 90% will be invited in to discuss their child's attendance and discuss an Attendance Support Plan, with a view of trying to improve their child's attendance.*

### Attendance - Priority 4

Please find below our attendance figures for this month. Just a reminder to email or phone the school office if your child is away from school for any reason.



Target School Attendance

94.0%

School Attendance to date

94.2%

**REMEMBER** punctuality is equally as important as attendance. Please try to ensure your child arrives in school for 8:45am



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### Curriculum for Wales – AOLEs and the 4 purpose characters

#### Healthy Henri – Sport tournaments

##### *Rugby tournament*

Our boy's rugby team took part in the URDD Rugby Tournament in Ruthin. We took a mixed Year 5 & 6 team to take part. They played bravely and worked effectively as a team. Da iawn bechgyn!

##### *Netball tournament*

Our girl's URDD netball team were WINNERS of their tournament which sees them progress into the next round of fixtures in Aberystwyth in May. Gwaith ardechog, genedd!



#### Ethical Erin – St David's Day Procession

Our Criw Cymraeg took part in the town's St David's Day procession which saw them celebrate all things Wales and St David! They paraded through town alongside other local schools and stopped in some familiar spots waving their flags and donning their daffodil hats.



#### Capable Cai – Maths Transition in Denbigh High School

Some of our budding mathematicians were invited to Denbigh High School to take part in a maths challenge. One of our groups were victorious in successfully rebuilding a famous landmark from North Wales.



### Governor Feedback

On the Staff Training Day some Governors attended the Staff Meeting to review the new Engagement and Behaviour Policy alongside teaching and non-teaching staff. Governors reviewed feedback from Parents that had been gathered via email and during Parents Evenings. Several Governors attended the Cluster group Governor Training on School Improvement held at Ysgol Frongoch at the end of March.

### PTA/Fundraising in Ysgol Frongoch

**Comic Relief** – On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, staff and pupils arrived to school dressed in clothes more suited to the 1980s! From Marty McFly to Madonna and more, we all enjoyed the 'throwback' theme. Children kindly donated £1 which we donated to the Comic Relief Charity which does so much for people both here in the UK and overseas!



**World Book Day** – On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, we celebrated World Book Day. Children dressed as a character from their favourite book and celebrated their love of reading. We held a used book sale on the day, and over Parents Evenings, and the funds raised will be used to purchase more reading material.

### Frongoch in the Community

With our topic 'Cynefin' – Years 3 and 6 have been looking at making an impact on our local community. Year 3 have been conducting data collection on the amount of dog fouling going on in our neighbouring estates. They have prepared a campaign, raising awareness of the issue in the hopes to limit the amount of dog poo in our streets and local playing areas! Meanwhile, Year 6 have been trying to find a replacement for our road crossing attendant, after Brian, the former attendant, retired in December. They have been on a walk around lower Denbigh carrying out an audit on the traffic controls already in place.

