

# LLANTRISANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# School Newsletter

WELCOME	Diary of Events
Tues 19th Dec	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day
Wed 20th Dec	Visiting Pantomime—Jack & the Beanstalk
Thurs 21st Dec	9.30-11.00a.mShowcase of Learning event & entrepreneurial stalls Last day of term
Mon 8th Jan	INSET day



I would like to thank you all for your generous support this term and I wish all our pupils, parents, carers, staff and governors a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous New Year, Mrs Davies



#### Curriculum Overview- Dosbarth Oren

In our topic Changing Times the children enjoyed discussing themselves and their family and how we are all unique, whether it be in the way we look or our likes and dislikes or even where we live. We went on a walk around Llantrisant where we spotted local landmarks such as Dr Prices' statue; this information was then used to create a Noun Town display of our locality. We enjoyed our trip to Saint Fagan's where we learned how houses and household items had changed over time. We have really enjoyed playing and learning about old fashioned toys and even played some of these games with the residents of Gwaun Rupperra. We enjoyed talking to them about what life was life for them in the past.





#### Curriculum Update- Dosbarth Coch

Our Nursery pupils have settled into the school routines brilliantly this term. They have been busy making friends and developing their fine and gross motor skills through seasonal activities such as, Halloween and Bonfire night. The children loved exploring the slime, coloured spaghetti and scooping and carving the pumpkin. They have also enjoyed exploring the outdoors and spotting a visitor to the playground - a frog! The constant rain didn't dampen their spirits as they loved putting on their waterproofs to enjoy splashing in the rain. Recently, they had a visit from RCT Highways who brought some balance bikes for the children to use to practise their coordination and balance and independence. Dosbarth Coch have also enjoyed learning nursery rhymes, and exploring in the woods after reading the book, 10 Little Leaves'. They have made leaf crowns, printed using natural materials and created a graph by counting how many small and big leaves they could find.





#### Curriculum Evaluation – Dosbarth Melyn

Dosbarth Melyn have thoroughly enjoyed learning about their Emperors and Empires topic in the hope of answering the big question "Did the Romans change our world for the better?" The children have unanimously decided that yes, the Ancient Romans have had a huge influence and impact on our lives today. They invented systems that still keep us safe now, such as rules for society (the law!) and also made sure they had designated people to keep their citizens safe - a fire service and police force. They knew about the importance of hygiene, inventing hot & cold baths, running water in toilets and a drainage system to make sure people were clean. They also built huge amphitheatres which we still watch shows in today (theatres and arenas). Lastly, they invented the calendar, clocks and a form of money - all of which we need in our lives today. Not forgetting heating - we have the Romans to thank for our warm, toasty houses too!

















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## **Curriculum Update- Dosbarth Gwyrdd**

The children have worked extremely hard this term, exploring our topic 'Unrest in Wales'. They have found out about the contenders to the throne in 1066 and gave their opinions on them. The children used their literacy and numeracy skills to plan a trip to Cardiff Castle. They calculated the cheapest option for a workshop and wrote a letter to Mrs Davies to ask for help in reducing the cost. In literacy we read the book 'How to Train your Dragon' and watched the film. The children then wrote a discussion text about which they preferred, having listened to opinions about both. We explored Llantrisant to find evidence of medieval times. The children found out about how Norman Britain was governed by exploring the Feudal system.





#### **Curriculum Overview- Dosbarth Glas**

Dosbarth Glas have enjoyed studying the concept of governance in both ancient and modern times, comparing the leadership and lifestyles of the citizens of Ancient Greece and Egypt to that of modern-day Wales. They have explored the roles of woman in society through the years and tried to answer the question 'Do woman have equal rights in 2023?' They have presented on a variety of topics, including religion in ancient times, the origins of democracy in Greece and the class systems of Egypt. Our recent visit to the Senedd gave us insight into how Wales is governed and promoted discussion about whether or not we agreed with the decisions that the Welsh Government are making with tax -payer's money.





### **Curriculum Evaluation- Dosbarth Porffor**

This term our topic has been 'Autumn', alongside this we have been focusing on early language developing using nursery rhymes and songs. Each week the children have learnt a new song- we have used voice, symbols and sign to help teach parts of the songs and encourage engagement and participation. The children have made small icons for each nursery rhyme and hung them on individual nursery rhyme clouds, which have been displayed in class. As part of our Autumn theme we have been exploring the outdoors and using

our senses to engage and discover different aspects of colours of autumn. We talked about the weather and jumped in puddles! The children have taken part in a range of sensory diet activities as well as having opportunities to develop their fine motor skills through mark marking, threading, and sorting. In Maths we have been learning all about colour; we have sorted different coloured objects and used colours to make repeating patterns. We ended our term with a fantastic afternoon celebrating Christmas and our learning with our families.











