

Trelales Primary School Newsletter

Ysgol Gynradd Trelales

Shine Bright and Be your Brilliant Best!

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*You're perfect when
you're comfortable*

being yourself.

Ansel Elgort

Firstly, may I apologise for the absence of the fortnightly newsletter, times have been a little challenging over the last 2 months. Thank you to all those who have offered their condolences, it truly means a lot at a difficult time.

The children have all settled back into the new term and are enjoying their new learning topics. Welcome to our new children in Nursery, welcome to the Trelales Family. We can't wait to get to know you all.

Football, Netball and Year 1, 2 and 3 sports clubs are on a Thursday after school. Football will have to move to a Tuesday from next week as we have had to move our staff meeting day to a Wednesday. If this causes a problem for attendance, please let me know. Matches will start again soon.

Year 3 and 4 have enjoyed a fabulous week of swimming and have represented the school beautifully. Year 5 and 6 are going next week.

Can I say a big thank you to all families for their support in helping contain the sickness bug outbreak. It really helps to control an outbreak when children stay off for the recommended length of time. Cases are much less frequent now, so hopefully we will be rid of it by next week.

Can we remind families that the school has a healthy snack policy and we encourage fruit and vegetables to be eaten for morning snack. Crisps and chocolate bars are not permitted for morning snack. If your child brings a packed lunch, then crisps / chocolate biscuit are allowed but not encouraged.

Punctuality - the school doors open at 8:50am every morning and are closed ready for school to start at 9:00am. We have noticed a number of children repeatedly being late since our return after Christmas. If there are any issues or concerns around getting your children to school on time, please contact us so we can help support.

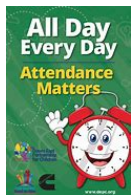
We have over 100 pieces of lost property, including some very new, and expensive looking coats. We will put these items out in the school hall after school each night next week. Please come and take a look and see if any belong to your children. Additionally, if you need any spare uniform, please feel free to take any sizes that are suitable. Remaining items will be donated.

Kind regards, Mr Gibson



School Calendar – Dates for your Diary

Monday 26th - Friday 30th January - Year 5 and 6 swimming
 Wednesday 28th January - Beach Academy for Year 1 and 2
 Wednesday 28th January - Reception visiting church
 Tuesday 10th February - Safer Internet Day
 Friday 13th February - Netball/rugby away to Nottage
 Friday 13th February - FOTS Valentine pop up shop
 Monday 16th - Friday 20th - HALF TERM
 Monday 23rd February - INSET DAY - school closed to children
 Friday 27th February - Eisteddfod
 Friday 6th March - World Book Day
 Monday 9th - Friday 13th March - STEM week
 Monday 16th March - Parent's Evening
 Tuesday 17th March - Parent's Evening
 Friday 20th March - Comic Relief
 Friday 27th March - last day of Spring Term
 Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April - EASTER HOLIDAYS
 Monday 13th April - First day of Summer Term
 Monday 20th April - Friday 8th May - Online Personalised Assessments Window
 Monday 4th May - BANK HOLIDAY
 Monday 25th - Friday 29th May - HALF TERM
 Monday 8th June - INSET DAY - school closed to children
 Monday 22nd June - Sports day - reserve date Tuesday 23rd
 Monday 6th July - Reports Emailed to Parents
 Monday 6th - Wednesday 8th July - Year 6 to Llangrannog
 Friday 17th July - Last day of the school year.



Attendance - Whole School Target 95%

Attendance is so important at school. This overall attendance over the last fortnight is 92% and Year 4 are the best attenders. If you become concerned about your child's attendance and need support or advice, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting.

Attendance Percentage	School days missed per year	Hours of lost learning per year
95%	10 days	55 hours
90%	19 Days	123 Hours
85%	29 Days	188 Hours
80%	38 Days	247 Hours
75%	47 Days	305 Hours



Welsh Phrase of the Week

The phrase of a week for your child will be sent out fortnightly through the class dojo page.

Photographing / filming children

Please can we remind all parents that if you want to take a photo / film of your child during school shows and events that it is only for your own personal viewing. It cannot be placed on any social media sites, particularly as other children may be in the photo / film.

Safeguarding

Children's welfare and wellbeing is at the heart of everything we do at Trelales.

Every person who works in the school has to have a DBS certificate and has annual training. The school's safeguarding lead is Mr Gibson and deputy lead is Mrs Fitzgerald. Please contact any concerns by calling the school or emailing with your concerns. If you have any concerns please raise them with a member of staff. We will investigate the concern and update you of any progress with pertinent information



If you have concerns out in the community you can call MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) on 01656 6422320. Alternatively, you can use this link to the website: [Safeguarding](#)
The following link is an excellent one stop shop for sensible advice about staying safe online.
<https://hwb.gov.wales/keeping-safe-online>

If you have any questions or require further information about any of the contents of this newsletter, don't hesitate to contact us at:
Admin@trelalesps.bridgend.cymru / 01656815610

Family Engagement Officer and Early Help. Early Years and Young People Support Services

Bridgend County Borough Council has a service for families and organisations to refer to if they feel they need support with a range of concerns. The following link will take you to the webpage for further information. Our school has a family engagement officer who visits once a week, her name is Sarah Lee and we will be sending out information regarding this shortly.
[Bridgend Early Help Services - Bridgend CBC](#)