



Ysgol Mynydd Isa Weekly

8th March 2024/Mawrth 8fed 2024

Welcome to Ysgol Mynydd Isa's fortnightly news!

Notable Achievements

We always like to hear about and celebrate the achievements of our pupils outside of school. Please contact the school office or send a class dojo message so that we can include these within our weekly newsletters.

Well done to:

- Evelyn H, who has achieved a place in the Nomads Academy. Evelyn has also moved up to the Wales Player Development Centre - a fantastic achievement!
- Alfie G, attended his first Park Run at Wepre Park and gained 1st place!

Leader Education Awards 2024

Just a reminder that we have been shortlisted as a finalist in the Leader Education Awards, due to take place on March 14th. We are delighted to be a part of this and see this as a reflection of the wonderful school that we are all a part of.

Please keep your fingers crossed for us. We will keep you posted!



Infant School Council Competition

The infant school council have launched a competition today to make, draw, craft their favourite story characters. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class and a certificate for all who enter. Entries to be sent to school no later than Wednesday 20th March (Prizes to be awarded Friday 22nd March). Further details have been emailed to priority contacts and school council members have spoken to all classes this week.

Online Forms

ASTHMA

If your child has an asthma inhaler to be kept in school, we ask that you complete an asthma form which can be found on our new website at:

<https://www.ysgolmynyddisa.com/school-office-forms>

HOLIDAYS

When requesting time off for a holiday, please complete the form which can be found at:

<https://www.ysgolmynyddisa.com/school-office-forms>

Unless the school office contact you, the holiday will be authorised.

*** Please email completed forms to the school office:

mimail@hwbcymru.net

School Dinners and Infant Snack

School dinners for Year 5/6 pupils are at a cost of £2.80 and must be paid for in advance via the School Gateway app. We commence with week 2 as of Monday 16th October with the Newydd Catering school lunch menu.

<https://www.newydd.wales/en/Documents/School-Menus/NEWydd-Primary-School-Menu-April-2023.pdf>

As you are aware all pupils, including pupils in Years 3 and 4, are now entitled to a free school meal as part of the universal roll out of primary free school meals. This will be rolled out to pupils in Years 5 and 6 in April 2024.

Infant (nursery-year 2) snack for the year is £55 which is also payable via the app (you may pay in smaller increments or pay the whole amount). A separate email will be sent to nursery parents explaining about setting up a School Gateway online account. Please look out for this.

World Book Day

It was delightful to see so many pupils and staff embracing World Book day today!

Diolch yn fawr iawn i'r disgyblion a'r athrawon am eu gwisgoedd anhygoel heddiw - ymdrech ffantastig!

A big thank you to the pupils and teachers for their amazing costumes today - a fantastic effort!

A huge thank you also to the pupils of Mrs Godwin/Mrs Samuel's class, who led our 'Caru Darllen'/World Book Day assembly this morning. Thank you to the family members who joined us for this assembly.

Blwyddyn 5&6 a ddosbarth Miss Evans



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 13th March	Mrs Owens' rescheduled parents evening appointments
Thursday 14th March	Mrs Evans and Miss Green's class Family Story Session (re-arranged from snow day closure) 2pm arrival for a 2.15pm start
Friday 15th March	Class Assembly - 3/4 FP (Mrs Parkes' class)
Friday 22nd March	Non-Uniform Day School closes for the Easter Holidays
Monday 8th April	INSET/Training Day (School closed for pupils)
Tuesday 9th April	School reopens for pupils

Year 3/4 trip to Grosvenor Museum lunch orders

A Microsoft form has been sent via email to parents of pupils in Year 3/4 who are going on the Grosvenor Museum trip. **Forms must be completed to pre order a school packed lunch by Midday on Monday 11th March.**

Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings

It was lovely to welcome our parents into school this week for our parent/teacher meetings. We hope that you found the meetings informative and enjoyed looking at your children's work.

Learning together-succeeding together

KS2/Junior School Easter Craft Competition

Cystadleuaeth crefftau'r Pasg

We invite pupils from the juniors to create a model/picture using cardboard tube/s (e.g. kitchen/toilet roll) based on the theme of Easter/spring. We will choose a winner from each class and there will be a small prize for each. Craft to be brought in during week beginning **Monday 18th March**. Prizes awarded during the celebration assembly at the end of the week. We look forward to seeing the marvellous entries, good luck!



Keystings Musicians visit the infant site

This morning the pupils were entertained by the very talented Keystings musicians. Pupils learnt about the four main string instruments and joined in with a range of music linked to a superhero story theme.

'Magical Tales and Drawing' with Axel Scheffler

Webinar

This afternoon year 1 and 2 pupils took part in a webinar with the famous illustrator Axel Scheffler. They enjoyed storytelling and 'magical' drawing based on favourite books from Zog and his new collection of Fairy Tales.



Periods of exclusion due to common childhood infections

It's that time of year when pupils return together at school, and common infections such as chicken pox and sickness and diarrhoea start again! Please see the Public Health Wales guidance on time to keep individuals away from school due to common infections.

<https://phw.nhs.wales/services-and-teams/harp/infection-prevention-and-control/guidance/english-phw-exclusion-period-for-common-infections-june-2023-v6-1/>