



# Barry Island Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER Friday 28th January 2022

### NEWS THIS WEEK

Another very busy week of learning across the school, so let's find out what's been happening in our 'Explore Wales Week'...

Art has been a favourite focus with all the year groups choosing a different Welsh artist to investigate. Nursery for example have been creating their own work in the style of Amanda Hone - Wow! Y6 have continued their 'Technology' theme to promote Welsh Apps and learning websites. Y2 have donned their writing hats to create brochures to try and attract people to visit Bettws y Coed and Y5 have been busy creating 'Scenes of Barry' in the style of Martyn Evans. Y1 have been developing descriptive writing skills, using 'Fairy Glen' as a stimulus. Reception enjoyed a magical 'storytime' session from Puppet Theatre Wales - Diolch! Y4 enjoyed their historical enquiry, map reading using technology to locate and plot the ancient castles of Wales.

### World Record Attempt! - It's Official...

Finally, an incredible effort from all the children to learn and perform 'Hei Mistar Urdd' as part of the 'Ymgais Record Byd Yr Urdd' - The Urdd's Centenary Celebration was marked by a new world record for the largest number of people to upload a video of themselves singing the song to Facebook and twitter in one hour, and we were part of it! Arrderchog pawb!!

### STAR AWARDS

SEREN YR  
WYTHNOS



DERW - ASHTON  
BEDWEN - AMELIA L-J  
CELYN - WHOLE CLASS  
HELYGEN - HENLEY  
ONNEN - CHELSIE  
HYWEN - LUCAS  
CEIRIOS - LILY  
MESEN - MAISIE-RAE

### STAR READER AWARDS



DERW - JAKE  
BEDWEN - LAGCHLAN  
CELYN - WHOLE CLASS  
HELYGEN - GETHIN  
ONNEN - SIENNA  
HYWEN - MASON  
CEIRIOS - PARKER  
MESEN - LIVINIA

### Internet Safety Pledge

When I am online I will:

1. Only post pictures or videos online with my parents' permission.
2. Never give out any personal information about myself like my name, address, and phone number.
3. Remember that people online might not be who they say they are.
4. Not talk to strangers online or meet them in real life.
5. Tell an adult if something online makes me uncomfortable or scared.
6. Spend more time with real-life friends than virtual friends.
7. Not open emails and instant messages from people I don't know.
8. Be nice to others online.
9. Only share my user names and passwords with my parents.
10. Be careful about what websites I decide to visit and have permission beforehand.

Signed Child:-----

Signed Parent:-----



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## BAA Attendance Awards



Key Stage 2:  
**Dosbarth**

Foundation Phase:  
**Dosbarth**

Da iawn!!

## Welsh of the Fortnight

We hope you enjoy watching our learners proudly showcasing their Welsh language skills!  
Click the link below:



## eCadets - IMPORTANT

Please follow the safety rules outlined in our 'Safety Pledge' above. Diolch.  
Click the link below to meet the eCadet Team!!



## Dosbarth Derw's 'Magical Reporter' News...

Bore Da all, so what have I been up to this week? Well, I decided to drop in on Dobarth Onnen (Y1) to interview some enthusiastic learners to find out what exciting adventures they've had. I really enjoyed my visit and learnt a few things too. Did you know the moon is NOT made of cheese! I was reliably informed that it is made of ancient rocks, similar to earth. They have been immersed in all things space exploration and have certainly increased their knowledge of this fascinating topic. Da iawn pawb!! I wonder where I'll end up next week?

**OUR LEARNERS' SKILL OF THE FORTNIGHT!**  
(Please click the link below)



## DIARY DATES

w/c Monday 31st January  
'Digital Learning Week'

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February  
Inset Day

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February  
Inset Day

21<sup>st</sup> February - 25<sup>th</sup> February  
Half Term Holidays

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March  
St David's Day

## Covid 19 - Operational Update

As you are aware, school has experienced unprecedented numbers of staff needing to self-isolate due to Covid19. Liaising with the Local Authority and to ensure operational safety, it was with regret that Reception and Year 4 classes were forced to temporarily close on Thursday and Friday this week and also Monday next week. Updates will be provided again on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Please note that operational updates will be issued through our usual channels relating to next week and going forwards (Schoop / email / Newsletters).

Thank you for your continued understanding and support during these challenging times.



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