

JUNE AND JULY 2025

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IOGA WITH JESS

We've been enjoying yoga sessions with Jess on Tuesday mornings recently. Jess has been leading sessions with both classes as part of her 'Yoga with Children' course. A big thank you to her!



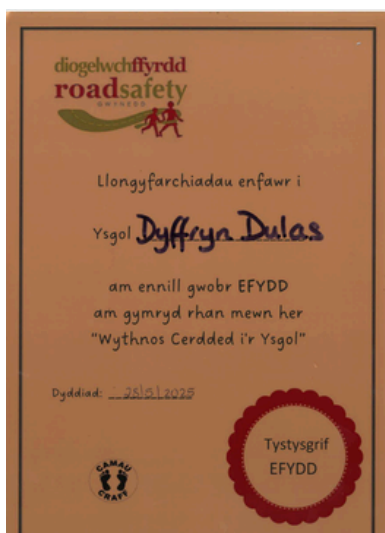
JAMBORI URDD

We had fun and excitement joining the Urdd Jambori to celebrate the Wales Women's Team in the Euros. We felt the pride and thrill for Team Wales Women!



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

We took part in 'Walk to School Week' between the 12th and 16th of May. As part of the 'Active Travel' challenge, the school received a Bronze certificate, which is awarded to schools where between 30% and 49% of pupils have walked, scootered, or cycled to school.



VISIT TO LLANYSTUMDWY

We visited Llanystumdwy to explore the Lloyd George Museum and learn about schooling in the past. Boys and girls used to sit separately in school, with boys considered more important than girls. Only boys were allowed to help the teacher. Pupils had to answer with “Yes Sir” and were required to speak English all the time—even during playtime. If caught speaking Welsh, they had to wear the ‘Welsh Not’. Children wrote on slates and wiped the writing off with spit—yuck! They were required to write with their right hand and were punished with a cane.

As told by Maxwell, Gruff, Elsie and Barney.



EISTEDDFOD YR URDD



Huge congratulations to Anya on a truly enchanting performance on stage at the Urdd National Eisteddfod in Malgam Park. We're incredibly proud of Anya for taking part in a competition of such high standard in the Year 6 and under Solo Guitar category. Very well done indeed – and she's only in Year 4!

Huge congratulations to Elsie, Gruff, and Anya on their success in the recent Art and Craft competitions! The three have now received their certificates – such a wonderful recognition of their creativity and effort.

On the last Friday of June, a Hockey Festival for the region was held in Tywyn. A big thank you to Lynda Williams from Ysgol Penybryn for organizing this fantastic event.

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT



CELEBRATING 70 YEARS

We had a fantastic day at school on Saturday afternoon, the 21st of June, celebrating 70 years since the school first opened. It was heartwarming to see so many former pupils, parents, teachers, headteachers, and members of the community coming together to mark the occasion. Guests enjoyed browsing through old photos over tea and cake.

Before the big day, Mr Martin Jones (a school parent) filmed the pupils creating a fun “70” video on the school yard, which was great fun!

In addition, Geth Tomos (Cerdd Amdani) worked with the children to compose a school song, which was joyfully performed by the whole school during the afternoon.

Friends of the School were also hard at work beforehand running the Grand Raffle with some amazing prizes. A huge thank you to the staff and Friends of the School for organising this special event and raising a fantastic amount – around £3700 – towards valuable new resources for the school.



DON'T TOUCH TELL

One afternoon, we welcomed Dean Raymond from the show "Don't Touch Tell" by Adferiad. His visit was part of 'Don't touch - Tell and don't drink, Think', a specialist drug and alcohol education programme designed especially for primary-aged children in North Wales. The pupils received powerful messages through a variety of media, helping them build the confidence they need to keep themselves safe. Year 1 and 2 enjoyed the "Don't Touch Tell" show, while Years 3 to 6 took part in the "Don't drink - think" presentation.

RNLI



Thanks to the RNLI for visiting our school to discuss water safety with the pupils. It's incredibly important for children to learn how to stay safe around the sea. The sessions aimed to give pupils a strong understanding of water safety, empowering them to identify potential dangers in, on, and around water. The workshops helped raise pupils' awareness of what to do if they find themselves – or someone else – in trouble in or near the water.



RIDING GROUP

Huge congratulations to Leia Jones on her success with the Meirionnydd Special Riding Group at the start of July! Leia attends the sessions weekly, and we're incredibly proud of all she's achieved.

SCHOOL TRIP

Our pupils had a fantastic school trip to Park Hall Farm with friends from Ysgol Pennal. From the moment we arrived, the children were full of excitement and were warmly welcomed before diving straight into a range of hands-on activities. They had the chance to feed lambs, meet ponies, and handle the rabbits – such joyful experiences!

A special highlight was the tractor ride through the fields, filled with laughter and wonder as we spotted sheep, pigs, and even a few curious goats. Everyone enjoyed their picnic and had a great time in the soft play area. And after lunch, cheering on the pigs in the pig race brought even more fun to the day!



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URDD ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the pupils of the Federation on their success in the Urdd Athletics Competition in Harlech on a beautiful evening at the end of July! We're incredibly proud of your achievement — da iawn chi!



80m Race Boys Year 3

2nd - Curig Breese

80m Race Girls Year 3

3rd - Elain Puw

80m Race Girls Year 4

2nd - Melys Morus-Baird

80m Race Girls Year 5

3rd - Grace Hussain

Long Jump Year 3 Girls

1st - Elain Puw

Javeling throw Year 4 girls

1st - Melys Morus-Baird

Javelin throw Year 5 boys

2nd - Otis Jones , 3rd - Leafin Onnen

Shot throw Year 4 girls

2nd - Melys Morus-Baird

Shot throw Year 5 boys

2nd- Tomos Parry



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RACE THE TRAIN



On Friday 11th July, we enjoyed another successful Race the Train event this year – a much-loved tradition! Huge thanks to the Friends of the School for organising this wonderful annual event.

The pupils had a fantastic time racing with the train and were treated to ice cream afterwards – smiles all around! Later, the school hall came alive with hot dogs and games, adding even more excitement to an already fun-filled evening.



PC SION AND PC DELYTH



A big thank you to PC Sion and PC Delyth for stopping by on a lovely afternoon to show us the police van! Pupils had the exciting opportunity to sit inside – both in the back and front – and chat about the day-to-day work of the police.



EARLY BIKING SESSIONS

During the final weeks of term, Rikki Barrat led after-school cycle training sessions with the youngest pupils. A big thank you to him for organising these valuable sessions!



GOOD LUCK YEAR 6

As we reach the end of another fantastic school year, we bid farewell to Idris, Zahra and Malo, wishing them the very best as they move on to Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn.

We also say goodbye to Dylan Evans, Maxwell Greenwood-Dunn, and Alfie and Margo Fenner, sending our warmest wishes for a smooth and exciting transition to their new schools this September.



Year 6 pupils organised a brilliant fun day for the whole school on the final Tuesday of term.

Thanks to Mrs Jones, our school cook, for preparing delicious party food to make the occasion even more memorable.

SPORTS DAY



The Federation Sports Day was held at the school this year, and we were incredibly lucky with the weather! Pupils from Ysgol Pennal joined us for a fun-filled day packed with a variety of activities. The competition between the three teams was full of energy and excitement, and this year, Team Sychan claimed the top spot – llongyfarchiadau!

