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MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE



Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

HYFRED 2022 - AUTUMN 2022

Right of the Month: To Have an Opinion

Value of the Month: Getting On and Falling Out

Seal Theme: Responsibility

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Annwyl Rhieni,

Today is the end of a long term, but how lovely it has been to be able to make so many new memories as a school community. Christmas activities this year have felt extra special and I don't think we will ever take them for granted again! Sporting events, after-school clubs, musical events and Christmas celebrations have all added to the normality that we all missed so much.

I would like to thank you all for your support to us throughout the term. As I always say, teaching and learning is a team effort and the relationship between school and home are vitally important. To our new parents that have joined us this term, it has been lovely to get to know you! A special thank you to all of our **volunteers** who give up their time for us. We appreciate everything you do!

Thanks also for our lovely Christmas gifts. Staff do not expect anything, so it is very kind of you.

I would like to wish you all, on behalf of the staff and governors here, a lovely Christmas and a peaceful, happy and healthy 2023. Relax and enjoy every minute!

Here are some highlights from this week.

Reception brought their **Wishing Stars** to show me. Everyone will have a special Christmas wish to take home. Lovely wishes Dosbarth Derbyn!

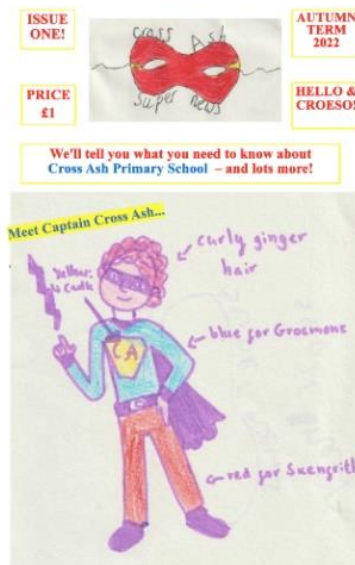


The Foundation Phase Concert, "Christmas Around the World"

was a delightful, whistle-stop tour of traditions around the world. The children sang, acted and danced beautifully and enjoyed the chance to perform again. Da iawn Foundation Phase and staff! This was a little sprinkle of Christmas joy!



Well done to the NewsCrew team on the production of the Cross Ash Super News which they sold at the concerts. Mrs Wills and Mrs Jude Rogers run this newspaper which is full of highlights of this term in school. What a lot of information, fun and games to read! I am so proud of you. Diolch all involved! If you wish to buy a copy, please contact us and we can print one for you.



Christingle Service

On Monday evening we had a wonderful, magical service at Grosmont Church. I really feel that this is such a highlight of the Cross Ash year. Year 6 took the service from start to finish, Foundation Phase and KS2 choirs sang and Reception provided our Nativity scene tableau. A special mention for **William** for playing the cello and to **April** for singing a solo. Thank you Reverend Gaynor, church wardens and organist Jean, for helping us to put this event on and for planning it with us.



The PTFA provided Christingle oranges for all pupils and the service concluded with the lighting of the candles and singing in the nave.



The collection monies are to be sent to **The Children's Society**, which helps transform the lives of vulnerable children. Thank you for your generous donations. We will be sending **£154** to this worthy cause.



Christmas Parties took place on Monday and Tuesday. Reception to Y4 on Monday and Y5 and Y6 on Tuesday. A big thank you to the PTFA for organising them. The costumes were amazing! Such a lot of hard work went into these, but the activities were so much appreciated. Games and fun competitions kept everyone involved and happy. See more about this in the PTFA News section.



Unfortunately due to the sickness in school we thought it best to cancel the choir's visit to **Penpergwm House** to sing for the elderly residents. We propose to rearrange our visit in the new year, not to disappoint them.



Santa came to visit this afternoon to see if the children are on the "Good List!" Of course they all are! 😊

Mrs Morgan came to school to give the results of the PTFA Football Competition results. Well done to the winners! Seb, Hudson, Barney, Alex and Freddie collected the prizes for themselves or their families. Well done!



Goodbye to Jo

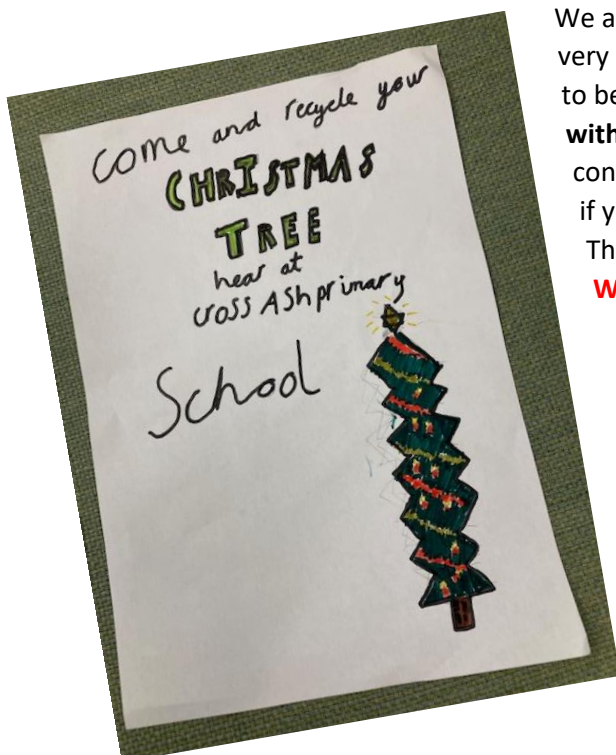
Thank you and good luck to Jo, our cleaner. She will be sadly missed but is now working in her dream job in law. So proud of you Jo!



ECO CORNER

Benches

Ramblers Cymru delivered 2 lovely wooden benches from Sign Workshop Dolgellau. These will need to be sunk into the ground before we can use them as they currently look big enough for giants as I was told by the children. Thanks Mrs Goddard for making this link and thanks Ramblers Cymru for the gift.



We are currently planning our Christmas Tree recycling scheme again. It was very successful last year! As we have fences fitted now, the trees will need to be left in the **school car park over the Christmas break, or bring them with you when we return to school.** There will be an area shown with cones and signs between the kitchen and the KS2 yard. Please support this if you can. The Eco-committee want to beat last year's target of 23 trees. The chippings were used on the paths around our Forest Schools areas.

We would appreciate it if you could close the school gates as you leave.

After School Clubs

PLEASE NOTE:

After school clubs will commence the second week back at school ie w/c 16th January except for Football Club for the Years 3 & 4 which will run from Wednesday 11th January. There will be no Football club afterschool for Years 5 & 6 for the first two weeks ie 12th & 19th. Their session will be in the afternoon of those days.

Understanding the symptoms of iGAS and Scarlet Fever



Treat at home

If your child has any of the following:


- Sore throat
- Headache

Cold and flu like symptoms are very common at this time of year, especially in children.



[Read more](#)


Most will have a common seasonal virus, which can be treated at home by keeping the child hydrated, and with paracetamol.




Contact NHS 111 Wales

If your child also develops any of the following:

- Fever
- Nausea or vomiting
- A fine red rash, which typically first appears on the chest and stomach. Older children may not have the rash.



Contact NHS 111 Wales or your GP for advice.




Contact GP straight away

If your child has any of the following:

- Fever (a high temperature above 38°C)
- Severe muscle aches
- Localised muscle tenderness
- Redness at the site of a wound

Contact your GP or get medical advice straight away.



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If your child has Covid, please keep them off school for 5 days from the start of the symptoms please. Two negative tests are also needed on Day 5 and 6.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 23 rd December	Training Day
Monday 9 th January	Training Day
Tuesday 10 th January	School starts for pupils
Wednesday 11 th January	Swimming starts again for Year 5
Friday 13 th January	PTFA Meeting – more details to follow
Tuesday 17 th January	Dance Blast for years 2 to 6 to recommence
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th March	Yr 5 Port Eynon Residential Trip
Friday 17 th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 31 st March	End of Spring Term
Monday 17 th April	Return to School

Kind regards /Cofion Cynnes,

Kathryn Presdee

Pennaeth /Prifathrawes

Finance / Parent pay

Choir trip to Penpergwm House for choir members will hopefully be held in January so we will not refund the money at the moment.

Y5 Gower Trip letters were distributed two weeks ago. Payment plans are detailed on there.

Y5 Swimming for next term £36.60

Please log onto Parentpay to give consents and make your contributions. Could any outstanding dinner monies also be paid on Parentpay by the New Year.

Thank you



Can I please say that we have to return to reporting **persistent lateness** to school as we return to more normal times. The school gates open at 8.50 am. Registration starts at 9.00am. Gates also close then. Late forms have to be completed in the reception area if children arrive after the gates close. Children **have** to be accompanied by an adult/parent to reception if late for health and safety reasons.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL. This is vitally important. We have children and staff with nut allergies within school. Please take note of the ingredients in sandwich spreads too eg. Nutella. Thank you in advance for your support with this.



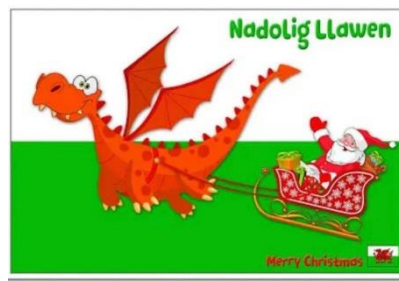
SCHOOL CARDIGANS

We are pleased to inform you that MyClothing, the school uniform supplier, has now added the option of school cardigans. They are burgundy which is the nearest option to the claret colour of our school jumpers.

The cardigans are priced at £10.30 each for sizes up to 12 years and £11.50 for bigger sizes.

Please click on the link below if you would like to order.

<https://myclothing.com/collections/cross-ash-c-p-school-cross-ash-uniform-19632>



Welsh with Mrs Williams 😊



Scan with Seesaw to view this work!



DanceBlast

is open to Years 2 – 6

from Tuesday 17th January 2023

Please ensure you have completed a permission letter.

Log on to the link below to make payment please.

[Dance Blast PayPal](#)

[Dance Explorers Booking form Spring term 2023 / Years 2-6](#)

Please advise the school office if you are new to the club and have signed on above.

Thank you.

PTFA



Thank you to the parents on the PTFA who organised the Christmas Parties. They were successfully led by Mrs Miln who masterminded the whole events. Thanks also to Clara, Molly and Fred who returned to school and assisted in the fun and games.



We are still selling our beautiful tea towels for £5.

Thank you all for your support!

Dates for your Diary:

Next meeting: Friday 13th January 2023 at the School 9am.

Year 6

Christingle making in Year 1 & 6



Year 2



Blwyddyn 2 Cross Ash

[@CrossAshY2](https://twitter.com/CrossAshY2)



[@CrossAshY2](https://twitter.com/CrossAshY2) Well done Blwyddyn 2 last weeks Christmas play was fantastic. All of the children worked so hard and all three of their performances were wonderful.
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Year 2 made their Christingles and we learnt what each item was for.

Year 1

Christingle making in Year 1 & 6



Reception Class





The Polar Express



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We had hot chocolate and ate our biscuits.



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We decorated biscuits and made snow globes.



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Nadolig llawen
Blwyddyn Newydd dda!
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!