

Bryn Offa Newsletter

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Friday 10th December 2021

I am pleased to report that as of today, we have had no further Covid infections reported amongst the school population. This means we are in a position of being able to continue with the class Christmas performances next week. However, there are strict precautions we need to follow and if we do get infections in school, the events will have to be cancelled even if this is with short notice.

If you do come to one of the performances, please remember to do the following:

- check your emails before you come to make sure we haven't sent out a cancellation email;
- wear something warm as the ventilation in the hall will be high and it may be cold;
- wear a face covering at all times during the performance (exemptions will have to be arranged in advance with myself in plenty of time to verify exemption);
- stay at home if you are unwell; and
- take a LFT test before you come (as outlined in latest LFT guidance).

Photos and video can be taken of your own child only, but nothing must be shared on social media please. Unfortunately we are unable to record the performances and put them on the website.

I have heard from a few parents that the PCR results are taking longer to come back, so I would also like to ask that parents and guardians email me directly over the weekend if any PCR results that are yet to be received come back positive (head@brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk)

I appreciate that parents do not want any disruption in the next week, but we have to make sure that our first priority is keeping people safe. We still have families with elderly or medically vulnerable people living with them, and it is these people we need to protect. Please do not lose sight that the reason we are all going through the restrictions in the first place is to protect the most vulnerable in our society. In the words often attributed to Ghandi – “the true measure of any society can be found in how it treats its most vulnerable members”.

Christmas Performances

The dates and times for each class Christmas performance/assembly are shown below. If you haven't already booked tickets but would like to, please contact Miss Morris as soon as possible. Tickets must be booked in advance.



Class 4- Monday 13th December at 2.45pm

Class 2- Tuesday 14th December at 2.30pm

Class 1- Wednesday 15th December at 2.30pm

Class 3- Thursday 16th December at 2.30pm

Class 5- Friday 17th December at 2.45pm

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 17th December will be our Christmas Jumper Day! This year we are going to be raising money for Save the Children. If you are able to make a donation, please send it into school on that day.



Normal school uniform should be worn but the children can wear their favourite festive jumper/home decorated jumper in place of their normal school jumper. Please do not buy a Christmas jumper especially- a home decorated jumper would be fantastic

A reminder will be sent out next week.



Christmas Book Fair



The Christmas Book Fair was a huge success this year and with your help we managed to sell over £600 worth of books. This means that we will have just over £360 to spend on new books from the Scholastic website! This really is amazing and will make a massive difference to our school library! We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended!

Christmas Post!

The children are welcome to bring Christmas cards into school for their classmates. These will be handed out during class. However, if your child wishes to give a child in another class a Christmas card, these must be given before or after school.

Water bottles in book bags

Can we please ask parents of children in Classes 1 and 2 not to send your child into school with their water bottle in their book bag please. We have had a number of occasions recently when the water bottles have leaked in bags and reading books have been ruined.

Celebrating birthdays in school

We will be happy to celebrate your child's birthday if it falls on a day when they are attending school. However, because of the current situation with Covid, and because we promote healthy eating in school and we have children with allergies, we ask that parents do not send food or gifts in for the rest of the class please.



Week commencing Monday 13th December

- * No Forest School session for Class 1 this week
- * No Guitar lessons or woodwind lessons this week

Monday during school:	Class 4 Christmas Assembly at 2.45pm
Tuesday during school:	Class 2 Christmas Performance at 2.30pm
Wednesday during school:	Christmas Lunch and Class 1 Christmas Performance at 2.30pm
Thursday during school:	Class 3 Christmas Performance at 2.30pm
Friday during school:	Christmas Jumper Day and Class 5 Christmas Assembly at 2.45pm

- * Children finish at the normal time of 3.15pm on Friday

Bryn Offa Value of the Month- Service



"A little Consideration, a little Thought for Others, makes all the difference."

- A.A. Milnes



Stars of the Week



Stars of the Week from week ending Friday 3rd December!

Eva Swannick for being a pleasure to have in Class 2! Eva is always the first to put her hand in lessons. She also wrote some amazing sentences with lots of fantastic verbs and adjectives in Class 2's English lessons. Well done Eva!

Millie Kilvert for being a delight to have in Class 2 and for always trying her best in lessons! Millie is a fantastic role model in Class 2's Christmas Performance rehearsals. She sings loudly and clearly and joins in with all the actions. Well done Millie!

Stars of the week from this week!

Ava Jones for some really good writing this week! Ava wrote about Christmas presents and labelling a penguin. Well done Ava!

Brianne Roberts for continuing to make excellent progress! Brianne's writing is amazing and she should be very proud of herself. Well done Brianne!

Gracie Williams for her fantastic expression and enthusiasm when reading! It is a pleasure to listen to her reading. Gracie has also worked really hard to learn her lines and delivers them brilliantly! Well done Gracie!

Nathanial Roberts for his amazing Maths work this week! Nathanial has a great attitude to learning and always has a huge smile on his face. Well done Nathanial!

Phoenix Evans-Cook for his absolutely superb reading skills! Phoenix has worked so hard on blending and has made great progress in his comprehension. He is an absolute pleasure to listen to. Well done Phoenix!

Calisee Lyon for having an amazing week! Calisee has worked so hard on her assessments and she has had a go at every question. Miss Harvey is very proud of her. Her work is coming on in leaps and bounds and her handwriting is improving each day. Well done Calisee!

Temperance Waddington-Gries for being the most wonderful student!

Temperance always has a smile on her face and tackles her work with a fantastic 'can do' attitude. She has produced some fantastic Stone Age and light work this week and the content and her presentation were outstanding. Well done Temperance!

Elijah Abbotts for his creative flair! Elijah has been teaching lots of members of Class 4 origami. It is great to see him passing on his passion for Art. Well done Elijah!

Max Rogers for showing exactly what can be achieved when you work hard! Max has really pushed himself this year and, as a result, he has made fantastic progress. His scores on the tests this week were superb. Well done Max!

Nia Watkins for having a great year so far! Nia has worked incredibly hard and as a result, the scores that she achieved in the tests this week were amazing. Well done Nia!

Rhys Derwas for showing a huge improvement in his perseverance in Maths! Rhys is really challenging himself with the multi-step questions. This has resulted in a big improvement in this area. Well done Rhys!

Bessie Lloyd for trying her best in every lesson and activity! Bessie is determined to succeed and challenge herself. This excellent attitude has allowed her to make fantastic progress in her reading and Maths this term. Well done Bessie!

Cadel Kennedy for making amazing progress this term with his reading! Cadel always tries his best and enjoys challenging himself. He has made a fantastic start to the year. Keep up the hard work Cadel, well done!

Connor Bowkett for being a pleasure to teach because of his positive attitude! This term, Connor's writing has blown Miss Hyde away, especially his balanced argument writing. He has made phenomenal progress with his reading too. Keep up the hard work Connor, well done!

Rylan Beckett for being one of the most hardworking children Miss Hyde has ever taught! Rylan always listens carefully and tries his best. This excellent attitude to learning has allowed him to make fantastic progress in his Maths and reading this term. Well done Rylan!