



# Bryn Deri Primary School Ysgol Gynradd Bryn Deri



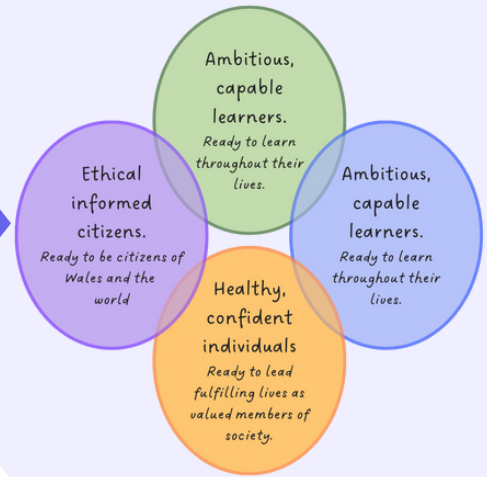
## Class Information Autumn Term 2024

### Our Class Instructions:

- We are kind to each other.
- We share and take turns.
- We always try our best
- We listen to each other.



### Our Four Core Purposes



## Croeso i Blwyddyn Un! Welcome to Year 1!

Teacher: Miss L McManus (Miss Mac)

Teaching Assistant: Mrs T Bennetts

### Context for Learning: Back to the Future Memory Box Enchanted Woodland Memory Box

This half term, we're taking a trip to the past to discover what life was like at the time when we and members of our family were born. Thinking about our childhoods, we'll use photos and objects from the past to help us remember special times including weddings and christenings. We'll talk about our families and share happy memories of people or pets who are no longer alive. Learning about the days, weeks and months of the year will help us to work out how long we will have to wait for our birthdays to arrive! We'll decide how objects from the past were used and have fun learning games, songs and dances from bygone days.

#### Enchanted Woodland

We will also be learning about 'Enchanted Woodland'. We will use our school grounds to observe the wildlife, collect natural objects and take beautiful pictures of the things we see. We will learn all about trees and use information books to investigate woodland creatures and make mini-books of our own. Throughout the project, we will find out how to recognise different plants and animals and create detailed, observational drawings of them. We'll build miniature dens, create woodland works of art and construct mini-woodlands from twigs, sticks, pine cones and leaves. We will find the oldest tree in our school grounds and the importance of trees in our environment. We will discuss Autumn and the changing seasons. This will also link to our learning of Harvest in our Festivals and Celebrations learning.

#### Festivals and Celebrations

Throughout the term we will also study 'festivals and celebrations' the children will learn about the Christian celebration of Harvest Festival, we will harvest the school vegetables, make harvest baskets by printing with harvested fruit and vegetables, make group Harvest prayers and participate in a Harvest festival. We will also learn about the Hindu festival of Diwali 'the festivals of light', the story of Rama and Sita. Understand the importance of 'Remembrance Sunday' and Christmas.



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#### During the Week:

PE - Monday and Tuesday - (Until Jan)  
Children will need to come to school dressed in PE kit and with appropriate footwear and joggers when weather is colder.

#### Dates for the Diary:

##### September:

- 2nd INSET - No pupils
- 3rd Pupils return to school
- 9th International Literacy Day
- 13th. Roald Dahl Day - Dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl Character
- 16th Extra Curricular Clubs return
- 26th. European Languages Day - dress up linked to your Class International Language
- 27th. MacMillan Cancer Coffee Afternoon: 2:30PM

##### October:

- 1st Black History Month
- 4th INSET - No pupils
- 11th Year 1 Class Assembly - Harvest All contributions gratefully received for Cardiff Food Bank)
- 14th Scholastic Book Fair
- 21st Parent Consultation Week - Teams
- 24th PTA Spooks and Sparks Disco (5.15 -6.15 & 6:30-7.30pm) TBC
- 25th School ends for Half Term Break



#### We would like your help with:

- Ensuring water bottles are brought to school
- Ensuring their belongings are labelled, this includes bottles, clothing (coats) and snack pots.

#### Reading:

- Listening to your child read regularly and talk about what has been read.

Once we begin our Reading Carousel in class we aim to change books and listen to each child read individually twice a week. Your child may bring a story book home on a Friday from our class 'Friday Books' lending library.

Please make sure these books are returned the following Friday as we will not be able to lend another book until the previous book is returned.

#### Home Learning

- Helping your child learn their numbers to 20, focussing on teen numbers and their formation.
  - Helping your child form letters correctly and to practise sitting their writing on the line.
- Please support your child to start sentences with capital letters followed by lowercase letters (especially in their names!)

#### The skills we will be developing this term:

- Reading and spelling an increased number of sounds and keywords
- Learning to write simple sentences using words such as - the, and, it, but, then
- Using capital letters and full stops to punctuate their sentences
- Counting in 1's and 10's forwards and backwards, ordering numbers
- Learning to add and subtract numbers to 10 and beyond
- Measuring length and height using non-standard units
- Sequencing events and recognising the changes caused by time
- Revising Welsh vocabulary and phrases related to colour and learning new vocabulary