

# **Chair of Governors Report to Parents**

**2017/18**

## Christmas 2017

- No of pupils: 264
- Attendance: 90%
- Free School Meals: 27% (72)
- Additional Learning Needs: 36% (96)

## Staffing

### New Members of Staff

1. Catrin Medi Pugh Jones – Year 3 teacher
  2. Alex Meredith – T.A. year 5/ICT
  3. Ellie Pope – T.A. Enfys
  4. Dawn Miles – T.A. Reception
  5. Lillie Evans – T.A. Enfys
  6. Katie Davies – T.A. Behaviour Support
  7. Kara Jenkins – T.A. Attachment / Wellbeing
  8. Nerys Davies – T.A. Pili Pala
  9. Kayley Turpin – T.A. Pili Pala / Enfys
- Emlyn Jones was released from his post as Deputy Head teacher/Yr 5 teacher at the school for the Christmas Term to manage the County's Behaviour service. Mrs Jenny Mansfield took on the role of Year 5 teacher during this time.
  - Mrs Lucy Davies was awarded a TLR 3 for responsibility for the Foundation Phase and Attachment Awareness at Ysgol Llwyn yr Eos after an interview held at the school on 3/10/17.

## Buildings

- New windows PP/Alc1/Year 1.
- New toilet Block (Foundation Phase).
- New carpeting Year 1 corridor.
- New Entrances in both school sites.
- New classroom to accommodate Year 4 due to the split Year 3 class.

## Staff Training/Meetings/Curriculum

- Staff took part in INSET training at the school on 4/9/17.
- The Head teacher met with After School Club officials on 7/9/17.
- The Head teacher and School Administrator completed a Human Resources audit at the LEA on 9/10/17.
- Lucy Davies the school Attachment Coordinator delivered ERW training to other schools on 11/9/17 and 6/10/17.
- Senior management met with the LEA for a finance meeting held on 12/9/17.
- The Head teacher met with Rhian Rees Head of Flying Start on 12/9/17.
- The Head teacher attended a TAF meeting at the school on 13/9/17.
- The Head teacher presented a lecture to students at Coleg Ceredigion on 15/9/17 on getting the most out of their placements.
- Alan Cole from Pixelwave visited the school on 19/9/17 and 21/10/17 to discuss the development of the brand new school website.
- Senior Management attended Head teacher's business meetings on 19/9/17 and 21/10/17.
- Senior Management attended an Area Head teachers association meeting on 22/9/17.
- A Full Governing Body meeting took place on 26/9/17.

- Staff took part in attachment training in a twilight session held at the school on 27/9/17.
- School dinner administrators met with staff on 28/9/17.
- Members of staff attended Autistic training on 6/10/17.
- Gillian Evans the school's Link Advisor met with Senior Management on 9/10/17.
- The Head teacher attended Behaviour Panel on 11/10/17.
- Ymweliad 1 (Part 1) took place at the school on 12/10/17. Part 2 took place on 26/10/17.
- Pupils took part in a Harvest service in St Anne's church on 13/10/17.
- Sue Wright, the school's Educational Inclusion Officer met with the Head Teacher on 13/10/17, 24/10/17 and 21/12/17.
- SEN advisors from the LEA visited the school's resource bases on 19/10/17.
- The Head teachers Performance Management review took place on 24/10/17.
- Staff took part in a school based INSET day on 17/10/17. This included an introduction to teachers of the FLIGHTPATH tracking system by Gwion Dafis from the LEA.
- Pupils held a 'Go Green' day at the school on 20/10/17.
- Book scrutiny for the Core Subjects took place on 23-24/10/17.
- The Head teacher attended a SEN panel in the LEA on 24/10/17.
- Resource base staff attended an SEN Network meeting on 29/10/17.
- Year 3 teacher Catrin Medi Pugh visited Ysgol Commins Coch and attended an area meeting as part of the County Cymraeg Campus initiative on the 8/11/17 and the 7/12/17.
- A representative from the Ceredigion Restorative Justice team met with the Head teacher on 9/11/17.
- Parent's evenings were held on 13-14/11/17.
- The Head teacher took part in 'Quality Assurance' training in Canolfan Rheidol on 1/12/17.

- Foundation Phase staff took part in a 'drop in' session for prospective parents in the 'community hub' on 4/12/17.
- Statement reviews for Year 6 pupils with additional needs took place throughout December 17.
- Years 2-6 attended a Sustrans assembly at the school on 5/12/17.
- The Head teacher attended SEN panel on 7/12/17.
- This year's Christmas dinners for pupils and staff were held on 15/12/17.
- Senior management attended a Kerbcraft meeting at the school on 14/12/17.

#### Exclusions

- There were no official exclusions this term.

#### School Activities

#### Fundraising/Donations

- The tree lighting event combined with this year's school concerts held on 12-13/12/17 made a £1552.20 profit for the PTFA
- The FUGS presented Dosbath Pili Pala with a cheque for £1000 during the Christmas Term.
- Pupils at the school raised funds for the Macmillan Cancer charity with a Roald Dahl day held on 29/9/17.
- Pupils took part in a harvest service in St Anne's church on 13/10/17 and donated food parcels to the Jubilee Storehouse initiative.
- Pupils held a 'Go Green' day at the school on 20/10/17 that raised £149.96 to help protect an area of tropical forest the size of Wales.
- A Christmas disco held on 24/10/17 raised £297.70 for PTFA funds.
- A PTFA meeting was held on 28/10/17.
- Staff/Pupils raised £307 in free resources in a book fair held during the beginning of December.

- Staff from Bronglais raised £420 for Dosbarth Pili Pala in a charity football match played against Tesco's on 3/12/17.
- A Christmas party held at Cwmcynfelin in Clarach raised a £100 donation for Dosbarth Pili Pala

## Sport

- The County Area sports meeting was held at Llwyn yr Eos on 14/9/17.
- Pupils from the school took part in an Urdd Gymnastics Competition held in Lampeter on 24/10/17.
- Rotary SEN Gymnastics: Each year the Rotary club host an SEN gymnastics competition for schools around Wales. Llwyn-yr-Eos school have been entering this for many years. This year 24 pupils entered from both the Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2. Most of the children are based in Pili Pala, Enfys, ACL1 or ALC2, but there are entrants from the mainstream classes. The competition is designed for any child with a disability whether physical, emotional or speech and language. The school competes against local schools in the first round and the top overall gymnasts proceed to a North Wales Final in Bala. Welsh Gymnastics have donated several ex Welsh Squad leotards for our use in this competition and also in the Urdd competition which Llwyn-yr-Eos entered for the first time in November.

## Visits/Visitors

- Bronglais League of Friends attended a meeting at the school on 11/9/17.
- Members of staff from Llandysul visited the 'Nyth' on 13/9/17 to observe good practice.
- Arad Goch attended the school on 14/9/17 to perform for pupils in years 2 and 15/9/17 for pupils in Year 1.
- Arad Goch attended the school on 6/10/17 to perform for pupils in years 5 and 6.
- Members of staff visited Florence in Italy from 16-21/10/17 as part of the ongoing Erasmus International Project.
- Pupils in the Foundation Phase received their flu immunisation at the school on 25/10/17.
- The school's resource bases visited the fair on 20/10/17.

- Year 2 visited the University to take part in a Multi-Skills workshop on 23/10/17.
- The school choir sang at the opening of the new Community Forum building on 27/10/17.
- The school choir sang for the Parkinson's association at Plas Antaron on 14/12/17
- KS2 pupils attended an orchestral concert in the Great Hall on 18/12/17.
- Pupils attended a screening of 'Sing' at the Commodore cinema on 20/12/17.

School closed for the Christmas holidays on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December at 3.15 pm.

### Easter 2018

#### Pupils on Roll and Attendance

There were currently 280 pupils on the school register.

- 123 female (44%)
- 157 male (56%)
- FSM 74 pupils (26%)
- ALN 99 pupils (35%)

#### Attendance

- Attendance for the term: 92%
- 3 % authorised
- 5 % unauthorised
- Attendance meetings for parents attended by the Head teacher and Sue Wright from the LEA have been ongoing this term.

#### Staffing

- Mrs Alex Meredith continued to cover the Year 5 teacher Mr. Emlyn Jones's secondment to the behaviour service during the Easter Term 2018.
- It was agreed at a Staff Dismissal meeting held on the 23/01/18 to terminate Mrs Andrea Goodwin post due to ongoing ill health.
- A number of students have undertaken observation/work placements at the school this term from educational establishments such as Aberystwyth University and Coleg Ceredigion.

#### Buildings/Resources

- Fire alarm drills were held at the school on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, the 16<sup>th</sup> of February and the 5<sup>th</sup> of March 2018.
- PATT testing was held at the school on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January.
- The school campus was closed on the 1<sup>st</sup> and second of March due to severe weather forecasts predicting heavy snowfall.
- The first stage of the school health and safety audit (KS2) was completed this term.
- Creative Play conducted a full audit of outdoor play equipment on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February.

Key Projects carried out by the caretaker Mr Les Gornall during the term were:

- Extensive work on the 'Nyth' Nurture Cabin including extension of the existing teaching area.
- Establishment of a Pili Pala outdoor decking area.
- Refurbishment of teaching areas in Dosbarth Enfys.

Finance

- Please refer to the Administrative Officers report.

### **PDG SPENDING REPORT**

15	PDG		83750
16	Sian Davies	0035780	9141
17	Rhian Benjamin	0040203	9171
18	Janine Hughes	0059666	9110
19	Pugh, Catrin Medi		24909
20	Thomas, Louise (Miss) Fly	7000146A	6027
21	Davies, Lucy Hannah (Mrs)	0050044D	9876
22	Meredith A R		8930
23	Jenkins K		3572
24			3014
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Funding used to:

- Staff for the 'Nyth' Nurture groups (SD/RB/JH/KJ)
- To address class size issue (Year 3 – CMP)
- Target and address emotional wellbeing in both Key stages (LF/LD/AM)

Meetings/Curriculum/Training

- The Head teacher met with the Foundation Phase counsellor Liz Gagen on 10/1/18 to discuss extending the service she currently provides.

- Staff attended PSP (Personal Social Profile) training on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Hearing Specialist Lucy Phillips visited the school on 16<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Educational Psychologist Bethan Roberts visited the school on the 17<sup>th</sup> of January.
- PLASC the annual schools census took place on 16/1/18.
- Staff from Dolphins and ALC1 took part in speech and language training on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Senior management attended an I.C.C. (Integrated Children's Campus) meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January.
- The Head teacher attended an area behaviour support meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Attendance meetings were held at the school on 22/1/18 and 16/3/18.
- Aranwen Griffiths an LEA educational psychologist visited the school on 25/1/18 to observe good practice in 'Y Nyth' the junior nurture class.
- The Head teacher attended an area meeting for senior management on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Lucy Davies visited Cadle primary school on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January to observe good practice in wellbeing provision.
- Senior management met with the LEA on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January and the 5<sup>th</sup> of February to discuss the Flightpath tracking system.
- Senior management attended a LEA business meeting in Llangrannog on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January.
- The Head teacher attended a County behavioural panel on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January.
- Pupils took part in activities during 'Children's Mental Health Week' from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Staff attended a LEA financial planning meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Senior management met with staff from Ceredigion training on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February.
- The Head teacher attended an ALN panel in Canolfan Rheidol on the 8/2/18 and 22/3/18.
- The LEA carried out Ymweliad 2 at the school on 9/2/18. Their focus was standards of teaching and learning (report documentation enclosed).
- A Full Governing body meeting was held at the school on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February.
- The Head teacher took part in a presentation held at the National Library of Wales on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February on 'A,C.E.'s (Adverse Childhood Experiences).
- Key stage 2 staff took part in Literacy training with Carole Price from the LEA on 27/2/18.
- Subject Coordinators met with LEA advisor Carol Price on 28/2/18.
- This year's Eisteddfod was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March.
- Pupils at the school took part in World Book Day activities on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of March.
- Kath Gaskell attended LEA SENCO training on 13/3/18.
- Lucy Davies shared good practice in attachment provision in a conference held on 16/3/18
- Parents meetings were held on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of March.
- The Head teacher attended a SHEP (School Holiday Enrichment Programme) in Canolfan Rheidol on 20/3/18.



- Jenny Mansfield attended Cyfri Ceredigion on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March.
- Jane Thorogood took part in HWB training in Lampeter on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March.
- Staff attended Twilight courses on Moderation and Wellbeing on the 26/3/18.
- A Finance meeting was held at the school on the 27/3/18
- The Head teacher attended transition meetings in Ysgol Penweddig on 28/3/18.
- Members of the Senior Management team visited Burry Port primary school on 29/3/18 to observe good practice.

#### Suspensions

- There were no official exclusions this term.

#### School Activities

#### Fundraising

- A PTFA meeting was held at the school on 16/1/18.
- The PTFA held a disco on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January which raised £327.
- A book fair was held at the school and run by Year 6 pupils raised £300 for school.
- A 'Best of the Eisteddfod' concert was held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March and raised over £200 for school funds.

#### Sport

- Sports multi skills sessions were held for Years 1 to 6 on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of January.
- Ongoing work with Sustrans the movement/walking and cycling charity took place with both Key Stages during the Easter term.
- Pupils took part in the County swimming gala on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 and the large school finals on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Pupils from the school took part in ALN gymnastics competitions on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of March.
- Pupils from Years 1 - 6 took part in Sports Skills sessions at the University on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March.
- Year 6 were part of a sports science project in the Easter term. involving a dissertation by an Aberystwyth University student

#### Visits/Visitors

- Year 5 were visited by staff from Aberystwyth University on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January as part of an ongoing science project.
- The community policewoman worked with KS2 pupils on 5/2/18.
- 'Design for Smile' visited Foundation Phase pupils on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Gordon and Chris Harvey completed a five week Bible Explorer New Testament programme with Year 4 during the Easter term.

- KERBCRAFT the foundation Phase road safety scheme has been underway again during the Easter term.
- Bronglais League of friends visited the school on the 5<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Year 6 pupils visited the 'Big Book Show' at the Art Centre on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Staff from school visited Denia in Spain as part of the ERASMUS project from March the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Pupils from Year 5 and 6 visited a Science Fair on the University campus on 13/3/18.
- The DASH scheme took place at the school during the Easter holidays.

## Summer Term 2018

### Pupils on Roll and Attendance

There are currently 247 pupils on the school register.

- Girls: 109 (44%)
- Boys: 138 (56%)
- FSM: 52 pupils (21%)
- ALN: 83 pupils (34%)

### Attendance

Current attendance for the term: 92%.

- 5% Authorised.
- 3% Unauthorised.

### Suspensions

- There were no official exclusions this term.

### Bullying

- There were no official reports of bullying during the term.

### Staffing

The following staff were appointed to the school during the Summer Term:

#### Teachers

- Miss Ffion Thomas was appointed as class teacher in the Nursery, covering Mrs Louise Flynn's maternity leave, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June.

- Mrs. Alex Meredith was appointed as class teacher in Year 5, covering Mrs Leah Evan's maternity leave, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June.
- The part time vacancy in Year 3 covering Ms Ann Marie Ogden's maternity leave is currently being covered by Ms Kiri Reynolds who is working with Miss Catrin Arthur as part of a job share.

#### Teaching Assistants

- Mrs. Angharad Mason left the school at the end of term. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work and dedication over the last 18 years.

#### Buildings/Resources

Main projects completed during the summer term/break include:

- Continued refurbishment of outdoor areas in Dosbarth Pili Pala and Dolphins.
- Refurbishment of fencing on the Infant site.
- New flooring in Dosbarth Enfys
- Fire alarm testing took place at the school on 30/4/18 and 31/5/18.
- The Health and safety Audit was completed at the school on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of May.
- 'Creative Play' carried out safety inspections and essential refurbishment on school play equipment on 9/7/18.

#### Finance

- Please refer to the Administrative Officers report.

#### Meetings/Curriculum/Training

- County moderation procedures took place on the 16/4/18 as part of INSET training on that day.
- ERW visited the school on 17/4/18 to discuss EIG/PDG spending at the school.
- Dyfrig Ellis the Deputy Director of ESTYN visited the school on the 18/4/18 to discuss the schools involvement in a training day for head teachers in South Wales later on in that term.
- Peter Bradley an advocate for 'Tros Gynnal' visited pupils on the 18/4/18.
- Senior management attended a meeting on 20/4/18 regarding training on the County 'Flightpath' tracking system.

- Ymweliad 3 took place at the school on the 25/4/18 (documentation included).
- Emlyn Jones attended an Area Head teachers Meeting in the National Library on the 26/4/18.
- Lego training for support staff took place on 7/5/18 and 7/6/18.
- National testing for Numeracy and Literacy was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of May.
- The Head teacher met with the Chair of Governors on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May for an update on the term.
- The head teacher attended an ALN panel at the LEA on 17/5/18.
- The chair of Governors visited a staff meeting to take part in a book trawl on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May.
- The Head teacher met with the LEA head of ALN admissions on 22/5/18.
- A Full Governing Body meeting was held on 19/6/18.
- Senior Management presented three lectures on curriculum reform to head teachers in South Wales in the Liberty Stadium on 24/5/18.
- Catrin Petch the LEA Child Protection Officer conducted an audit of safeguarding provision at the school on 4/6/18.
- Representatives from Penglais visited the school on 5/6/18 to talk to pupils, staff and senior management as a part of transition procedures.
- The Head teacher took part in EVOLVE training in the LEA on 6/6/18 which involves planning for safe and effective school trips.
- The Head teacher attended an Integrated Children's Campus meeting on 8/6/18.
- Senior Management took part in Data Protection training on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June.
- Secondary school transition days were held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. Classes at school had taster days in their New Year groups on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Alison J Williams the Head teacher from a Primary school in Burry Port visited the school on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June and the 10<sup>th</sup> of July to discuss self-evaluation. Senior Management visited her school on 29/6/18 to observe good practice.
- An Attachment Network meeting for SENCO's was held in 'Y Nyth' and at the school on the 13/6/18. The Head teacher attended a county SEN panel on 12/7/18.
- The Head teacher attended a County Head teachers meeting in Penmorfa on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June.
- A twilight training session on emotional wellbeing was held at the school on 27/6/18.
- The Head teacher attended a SHEP meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July in the LEA.
- Emlyn Jones attended an ICT conference on 5/7/18.
- Senior Management attended an ACES conference at the University on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July.
- Resource Base teachers took part in 'P Scales' training on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July.
- This year's leaver's sleepover was held on 12/7/18.
- This year's leaver's assembly was held on 18/7/18.
- The ALC 1 and 2 transfer day was held on 13/7/18.
- ALC 2 held an open afternoon on 17/7/18.
- Resource Base heads met on 18/7/18.

## School Activities

### Fundraising

- A PTFA meeting was held on 22/5/18.
- The PTFA raised over £383 this term during the term through running a school disco and serving refreshments at the school sports.
- The FUGS came in and presented a cheque for £2000 to Dosbarth Pili Pala on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.
- The PTFA has raised over £3,500 during the 2017-2018 academic year.

### Sport

- This year's sports day was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June. The winning house was Nanteos. The Victor Ludorum was Ciaran Evans and the Victrix Ludorum was Morgan Gamzatova.
- This year's Area Sports were held on 6/7/18. 32 pupils represented the school with a number of competitors coming in the top 3.
- The school organised a 'Sports Week' from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> of June. A number of external agencies came in to the school. Staff also took part in an after school well-being walk
- Pupils took part in a Tag Rugby tournament on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July.

### Visitors

- PC Hannah visited pupils at the school on the 17/4/18
- The RNLI visited years 3-6 at the school on 19/4/18
- The Design for Smile oral hygiene scheme visited the school on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May and the 18<sup>th</sup> of July.
- The School Nurse visited the school to talk to pupils in Years 5 and 6 about 'Growing Up' on 21/6/18.
- Pili Pala held a coffee afternoon on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.
- Years 3 and 4 enjoyed 'Sioe Parti Ddu' at the school on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July as part of the Cymraeg Campus scheme.
- Peripatetic music staff took part in a concert for pupils held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June.
- Peter Hill from UNISON visited support staff on 6/7/18
- The Bike Doctor visited the school on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July as part of the school's ongoing commitment to road safety which also includes the Kerb craft scheme.

### Visits

- Staff and pupils attended Manor Adventure in Llanwrtyd wells from the 27<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> of April.
- The 'Nyth' pupils attended a trip to Borth organised by the Round Table during the Summer Term.

- Staff from the school visited schools in Istanbul as part of the Erasmus project from the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> of May.
- This year's KS2 trips to Folly Farm/Oakwood took place on 22/6/18.
- The Foundation Phase trip to Quackers was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July.
- The Resource Bases visited Fantasy Farm on 19/7/18.

The school closed for pupils on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of July at 3.15pm.

**Mari Jefferis September 2018**