

# PONTLLIW PRIMARY

## Newsletter

### Our Learning!

A very big 'Llongyfarchiadau' to our pupils who represented our school in our cluster schools 'Countdown' spelling competition. The children had a wonderful morning where they joined other pupils from our cluster primaries in Pontarddulais Comprehensive School on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January. The children showed enthusiasm, fantastic team work and super spelling skills, and came second place out of all the schools! Da iawn pawb!

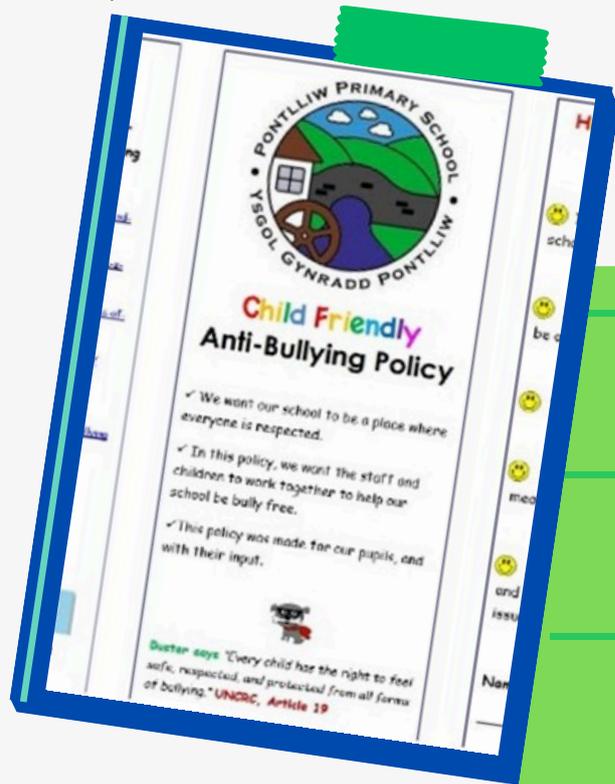
The Singapore Maths transition project is coming to an end. The findings of the research and final report have been written and will be shared in a Market place with cluster schools from all over Wales. The second project Primed for Success will be completed this month and this projects' findings will also be reported.

All children's learning for this academic year to date can be viewed during parents evening. We will also be extremely grateful if you could spend five minutes before your appointment to fill in the parental questionnaire so you can help us to ensure the school continues to improve and provide your children with the right educational experiences.



### Putting Pupil voice at the heart of our community

Our Healthy Hero Pupil Voice Group have been working hard to make our school an even safer and more respectful place. Recently, they created a questionnaire for pupils to share their experiences with bullying behaviour. The results helped us understand how children feel about the way bullying is dealt with in school, identify areas where pupils feel safe or unsafe, and gather ideas to improve our school environment. The children also used these findings to help create a brand-new child-friendly Anti-Bullying Policy. Every pupil's voice has contributed to the content of this policy, and the Healthy Heroes are extremely proud of the final result. The policy has now been shared with all families so everyone can see the fantastic work our pupils have done to make our school a safer, kinder place for all.



# Children's Mental Health Week - This is Our Place

We had a wonderful week celebrating Children's Mental Health Week with the theme "This Is My Place", focusing on belonging and wellbeing. We began with 'Come as Yourself' Day, where pupils wore outfits that made them feel confident and proud. Teachers led thoughtful activities exploring mental health, while our Healthy Heroes introduced First Aid for Feelings Boxes in every classroom, filled with calming tools and positive messages. Pupils also wrote thank-you letters to local businesses and residents, recognising the ways they help make our village a welcoming and special place to live. We ended the week with a joyful Walk and Wave around the village. It was lovely to see so many members of the community come out to wave, smile, and cheer us on - a beautiful reminder of the strong, supportive place we all belong to.



Walk around the community



## Upcoming Events

- School Eisteddfod - March 2nd
- World Book Day - March 5<sup>th</sup>
- Parents Evening - 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> March
- Maths Parental Workshop Y4 and Y3 - March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Term Ends - March 27<sup>th</sup>

## After School Activities

- Primary Performers (Tuesday Y3 -Y6)
- Mindfulness Colouring (Tuesday Rec-Y2)
- Football (Wednesday Y3-6)
- Mini-Yoga (Wednesday Rec-Y2)

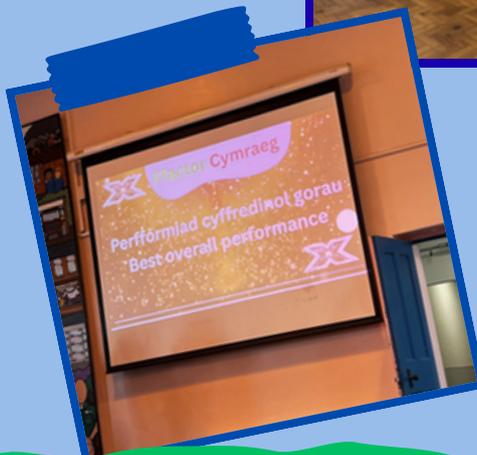
Krafty Kids Club - Daily from 3.20pm - 5pm. £6 per session which includes a small snack.



## The X-factor

Our cluster primary schools came together on Dydd Miwsig Cymraeg for a brilliant Ffactor Cymraeg event at Pontarddulais Primary School. A group of our Year 5 and 6 pupils performed an amazing Welsh rap in front of the other cluster schools. They represented our school with confidence, enthusiasm and huge smiles.

The judges, who were Criw Cymraeg representatives from Pontarddulais Comprehensive School, were incredibly impressed. Their performance took home two awards – Most Energetic Performance and Best Overall Performance. A huge well done to everyone involved – what a fantastic day! You can watch our performance on our school website.



## Attendance

This Terms Attendance for each class to date:

Recep - 94.7%

Year 1 - 94.3%

Year 2 - 94.2%

Year 3 - 94.8%

Year 4 - 92%

Year 5 - 94.3%

Year 6 - 92.3%

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