

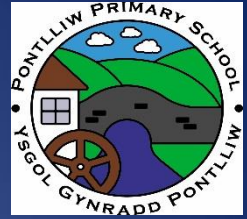
Ysgol Gynradd Pontlliw Pontlliw Primary School

“Dream beautiful dreams,
and then work to make
those dreams come true.”

Year 3 - Dosbarth Hazel



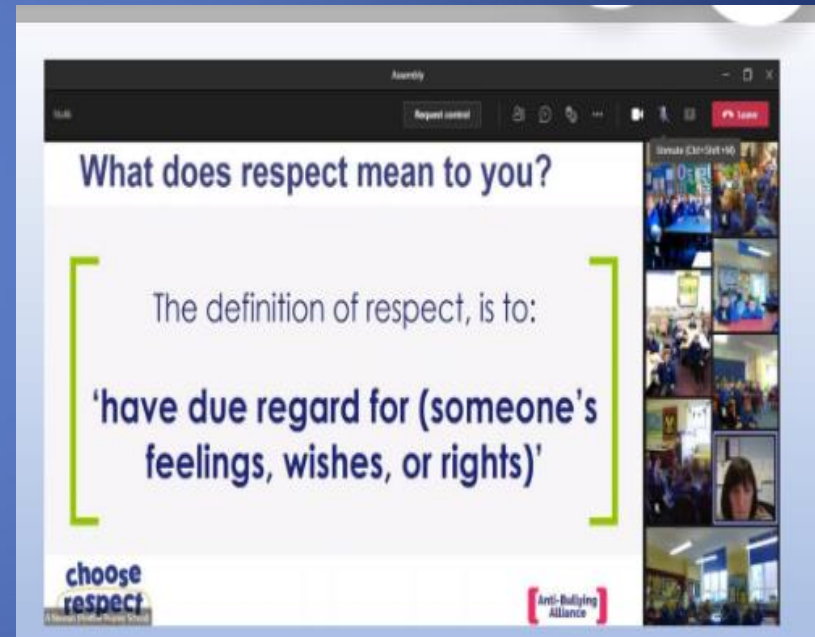
Aims of the School

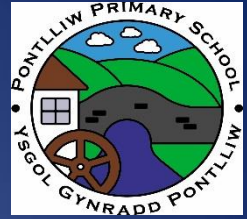


We are very proud of our 3 values;

Respect, Care and Community.

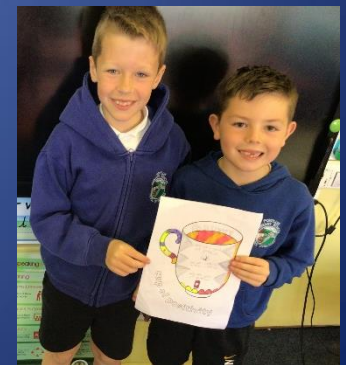
We hold weekly whole school assemblies, where teachers and pupils alike, discuss the small things that we can do on a daily basis to ensure that we embody these values.

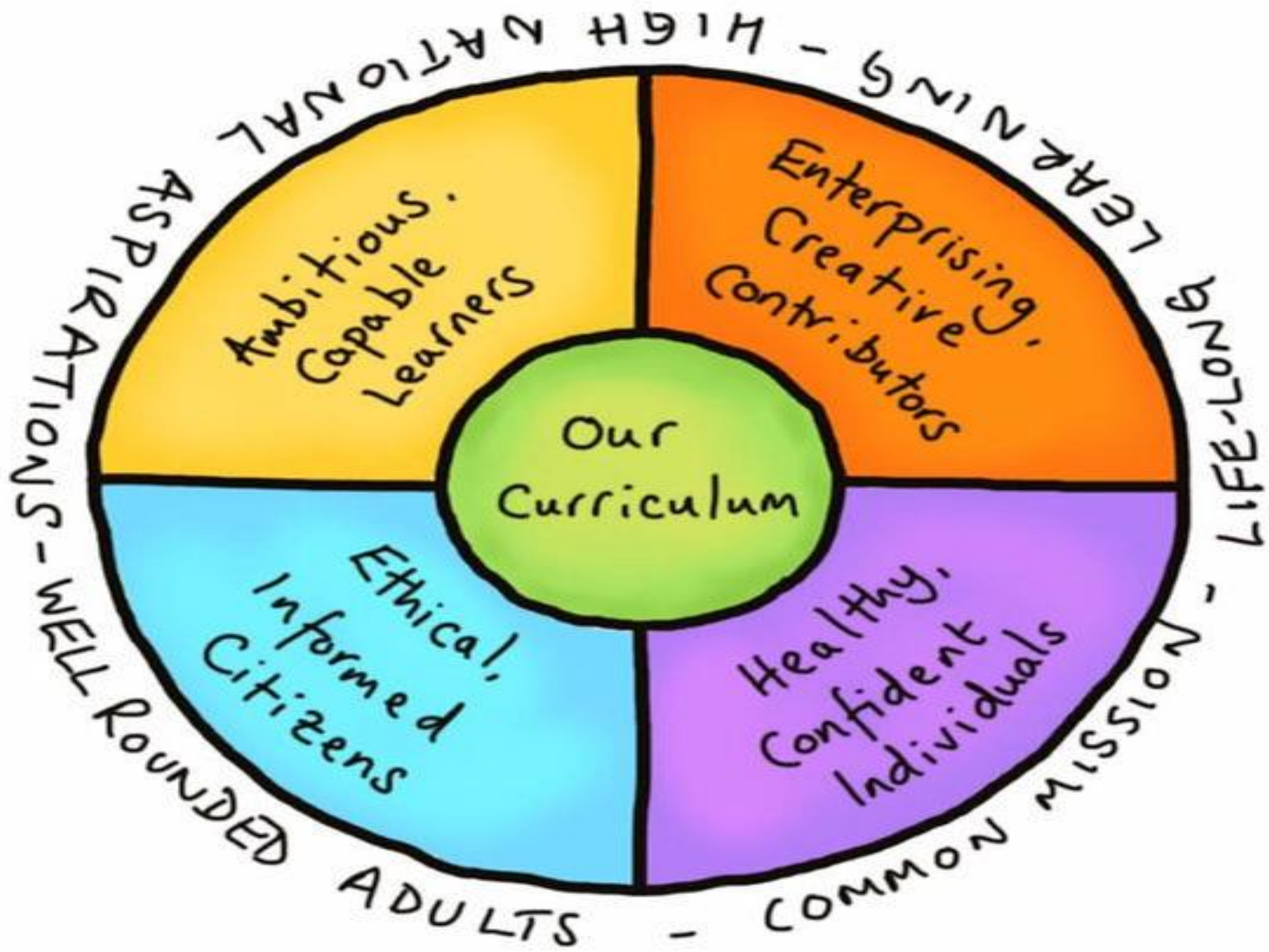




Aims of Year 3

- For the children to be happy and have a love for learning!
- To support children adapting to the Year 3 routine.
- To build on the skills already acquired within the Foundation Phase and encourage cross curricular use (Numeracy, Literacy & DCF).
- To continue to develop independence and maturity.







Our curriculum is:

- Pupil centered
- Cross-curricular
- Experience rich

Curriculum Vision

Planting the seeds for a life time of growth

Canopy - where all children can be individual, exploring the possibilities of their learning

Literacy

Oracy Reading
Phonics Writing
Spelling Grammar

Trunk - supports the canopy by building strong knowledge and skills

Roots - need to be strong to establish conditions for great learning



Numeracy

Cross-curricular

Concrete Pictorial Abstract
Real life

Our curriculum uses Big Questions to explore learning through topics and themes, which are broken down into mini-questions by pupils and teachers.

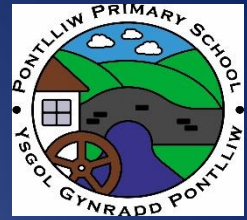
Health & Well-being

- relationships
- physical
- cynefin
- mental/emotional

Starting Seeds- Nursery/ Reception

Tremendous Trunks- Years 1, 2 and 3

Brilliant Branches- Year 4, 5 & 6



Big Questions

This year we will be broadening our learning opportunities through the use of “Big Questions”.

Can you share any experiences?

Autumn Term Focus – How does the past shape our present?



Spring Term Focus – How does light and sound affect our everyday lives?



Summer Term Focus – Why do Rainforests matter?



Health and Well-Being: RSE

What is RSE?

Our priority in Pontlliw is that our pupils are happy, safe and healthy, therefore it is important they learn about topics such as, healthy relationships, keeping safe, and that they are confident to raise issues with responsible adults.

Parents have a central role to play in supporting their children, however there is also a crucial role for schools - especially in a world where there is so much inaccurate and misleading information and harmful materials, circulating online. Our RSE curriculum is designed to safeguard all our children, supporting them to develop knowledge, skills and behaviours that will assist in protecting them throughout their lives.

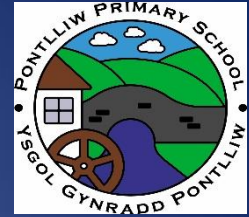


Health and Well-Being: RSE

Our RSE curriculum has been co-constructed with all members of our school community, including staff, governors, pupils, parents/carers and external professions such as the school nurse.

Great care has been taken to ensure that all learning within RSE is **developmentally appropriate** to ensure that pupils are not exposed to things that aren't appropriate to their age and development.

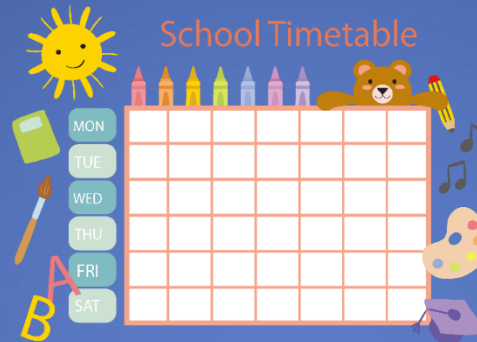




Daily Timetable

Morning:

Guided Reading
Mathematics
English



Afternoon:

Welsh Drilling Sessions – 10 minutes every afternoon
Topic Sessions & Missions

***8:50 Start:** Children will line up on the junior yard in their year groups (gates open at 8:40)

*** 3:20 Finish:** Children will be dismissed by the Year 3 exit doors (Infant Yard)

Physical Education



P.E Kit:

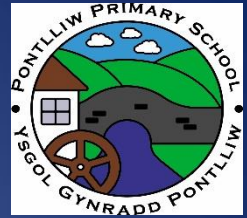
Navy jogging bottoms/shorts and white polo shirt to be worn. Long hair to be tied back and no jewellery. Children will need to wear their P.E kit to school.

P.E Sessions:

x2 P.E sessions a week. P.E days TBC.

*Swimming

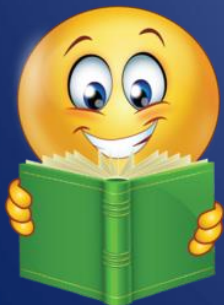


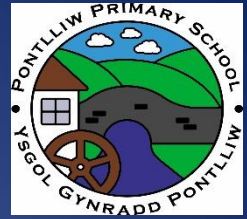


Working together

Reading

- Please can reading books be brought in to school every day, in order for us to help your child develop their reading skills whenever possible.
- In PS2, we aim to listen to the children read twice a week.
- Your comments in your child's reading diary are very important and help us to support you with helping your child's reading development at home as well as in school.
- Encourage children to read non-fiction books at home.





Homework

Spelling

- Children will be given a list of spelling words every half term.
- **Spelling words will be differentiated.**
- Spelling Tests will be on the last **Friday** of each **half term**.

Maths

- Maths homework will be set every Friday-
Mental Maths
- Active Learn
- Sumdog



**a reminder of passwords will be sent home at the start of term.*

Class Dojo!



This year, our class will be using ClassDojo!

In order to create a positive culture in our classroom, the children will be encouraged and praised for any skill or value – whether it's working hard, being kind, helping others or something else.

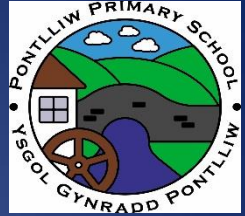
**invites and codes to join our class will be sent out to parents via e-mail shortly. You can download the app onto your phone ready! 😊*



Dojo App



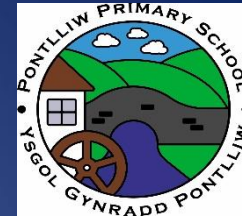
Pupil Voice



Every child will be part of a Pupil Voice group

- Criw Cymraeg
- Digital Dragons
- Curriculum Council
- Healthy Heroes
- Safety Soldiers
- Eco Warriors





And finally...

Thank you for your continued support.

Any Questions



I hope your child enjoys their first year in juniors!



A Year of

AWESOME!

