



Play, Learn & Grow Together

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May Newsletter 2025

Welcome back to LPS after our Easter break. It was lovely to see all the children returning with such happy faces as they walked through the school gates and doors. We hope you had a lovely time and are ready to start our very busy Summer Term. Please read the following information, which highlights current information, routines, procedures and developments.

VE Day Celebrations & Street Party & Fashion Show:

On Thursday 8th May 2025, the nation will mark the historic 80th anniversary of VE Day. The peoples, families and communities of our great nation will come together to unite and celebrate 80 years of peace since the end of World War II in Europe, and to honour the many millions who paid the ultimate sacrifice to achieve it. VE Day 80 is not only a tribute to those who fought for the freedom we all enjoy today, but also a powerful reminder of the resilience and unity that have defined our country ever since.

LPS will be marking this historic occasion with assemblies, discussions and lessons throughout this half term, across the school. We will finish the half term in style to mark this momentous anniversary with a LPS VE Day 80 street party. We would like to ask the children to come dressed in different eras from the last 80 years and end the day with a celebratory catwalk displaying the fashions from across the decades. The street party, disco and fashion show will take place on Thursday 22nd May 2025.

The following decades have been selected for each year group:

Reception: 90s

Year 1: 70s

Year 2: 80s

Year 3: 60s

Year 4: 30s

Year 5: 40s

Year 6: 50s

Nursery: Families can choose any decade they wish for their children.

We look forward to these wonderful events, seeing the children dressed in their decade fashion and celebrating this momentous occasion together.

Bank Holiday:

Just a reminder that the school will be closed on **Monday 5th May 2025** due to May Bank Holiday.



Year 6 Transition Week:

Our Year 6 class will be attending their transition week at Pontarddulais Comprehensive School from Monday 30th June 2025. We know the children will have a great time learning about what Comprehensive School looks like and navigating around their new school in September. We hope they enjoy this invaluable experience.

Dates for the transition events at Morryston and Bishop Vaughan Comprehensive Schools will be communicated shortly.

Sun Safety @LPS:

As the weather gets warmer, we would like to remind parents/carers of our sun safety policy <https://llangyfelach-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/sun-safety/>

We ask that children attend school with pre-applied sunscreen (minimum SPF 30, 4-star UVA). Sunscreen is available in every classroom and re-application will take place throughout the day. All pupils will apply sunscreen themselves when appropriate and staff in early years will support application of sunscreen for our younger learners. **If parents/carers would like to withdraw from this facility and/or provide their own sunscreen, please inform the main office or class teacher.**

To support our skin safety policy we have also invested in new bucket hats which can be purchased from the PTFA on your iPay account in the School Shop for £9 each:

<https://llangyfelach-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/ptfa/>

Thank you for your continued support.

PTFA Updates:

Father's Day is Sunday 15th June this year and to celebrate our PTFA will be holding their popular Father's Day Gift Stall during the school day on Wednesday 11th June. All gifts will be individually wrapped and priced at £4.50 each. These will be available to purchase in the School Shop on your iPay account.

Our Summer Fayre will be held on Monday 14th July from 3pm. If you have a stall/business and would like to get involved, please contact Lynda Phillips in the office. We are always looking for items to raffle, or unwanted gifts, items that we can use on our tombola stall - we would be very pleased to receive your donations!

New Wraparound Booking Form:

From next Tuesday (13th May 2025) you will notice a change in our Wraparound booking form. Instead of a separate form for Nursery, all children can now be booked using the same form. The form has new features that we are sure you will find helpful. A copy of your form will be emailed to you once your booking has been submitted – this is a useful “aide memoire” that can be shared with anyone collecting your child through the week. The email also gives you the option to amend your booking online right up until the booking deadline (once the deadline has passed you will need to contact the office to make any amendments).

Our wraparound service is becoming increasingly busy which is resulting in us being at maximum capacity on certain days. Please be reminded that the on-line form must be completed by midday every **Thursday for the following week**, along with payment. We are still able to take emergency bookings provided we have space. However, we request your support to ensure we provide the correct level of service.

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, and you have scheduled them for our Wraparound Care Service on that day, please ensure that you notify us of the cancellation as well. It is crucial for maintaining the safety and well-being of all students that we have accurate attendance records. Your prompt communication allows us to manage our resources effectively and provide the highest standard of care.



2025-26 INSET Days:

Due to specific whole school training requirements, we will need to spread the INSET days across the academic year. This is due to the availability of external providers who will undertake the professional development for our team. Therefore, unfortunately, we will not be able to hold INSET week next year. However, we will look at this option in the following years.

To aid with your childcare arrangements we have provisionally booked the INSET days for the whole year which are as follows:

1. Monday 1st September
2. Monday 3rd November
3. Monday 5th January
4. Monday 2nd March
5. Monday 27th April
6. Monday 20th July

These dates are subject to change; however, we will aim to notify you of any alterations at least 1 month prior to the rearranged date. Many thanks for your cooperation on this matter.

INSET Days for 2024-25

The following INSET Day remains for this academic year: **Monday 21st July 2025**

Attendance

Please continue to help us by ensuring your child attends school and that you bring your child to school on time (before 9am). Regular school attendance is vital and missing school can have a significant impact on achievement over a one-year period as illustrated in the table below:

96 – 100% Attendance	Best chance of success	Your child is taking full advantage of every learning opportunity.
90 – 95% Attendance	At least 2 weeks of learning missed	Satisfactory. Your child may have to spend time catching up with work
85 – 90% Attendance	At least 4 weeks of learning missed	Your child is at risk of underachieving and may need extra support from you to catch up with work
80 – 85% Attendance	At least 5½ Weeks of learning missed	Your child's poor attendance has a significant impact on learning
Below 80% Attendance	At least 7½ weeks of learning missed	Your child is missing out on a broad and balanced education. You are at risk of prosecution.

Swansea Term & Holidays 2024-25:

Term	Term begins		Mid-term holiday begins	Mid-term holiday ends		Terms ends	Total days
Autumn 2024	Monday 2 September 2024	Friday 25 October 2024	Monday 28 October 2024	Friday 1 November 2024	Monday 4 November 2024	Friday 20 December 2024	75
Spring 2025	Monday 6 January 2025	Friday 21 February 2025	Monday 24 February 2025	Friday 28 February 2025	Monday 3 March 2025	Friday 11 April 2025	65
Summer 2025	Monday 28 April 2025	Friday 23 May 2025	Monday 26 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025	Monday 2 June 2025	Monday 21 July 2025	55
Total							195

Swansea Term & Holidays 2025-26:

Term	Term begins	Mid-term holiday begins	Mid-term holiday ends	Terms ends
Autumn 2025	Monday 1 September 2025	Monday 27 October 2025	Friday 31 October 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Spring 2026	Monday 5 January 2026	Monday 16 February 2026	Friday 20 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
Summer 2026	Monday 13 April 2026	Monday 25 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026	Monday 20 July 2026

LPS School Improvement Plan 2024-25:

Throughout periods of the previous academic year, the Pupil Voice Groups, AoLE Leaders, Linked Governors and SLT undertook our LPS Self-Review processes. To glean further information on our robust self-review systems that enable us to monitor & evaluate progress on whole school targets, please visit the following webpage:

<https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-self-review-systems/>

The outcome from our LPS Self-Review systems formulated the following agreed set of Whole School Targets for 2024-25:

- 1. Further improve the consistency of effective AfL systems that enhance learner progress.**
- 2. Develop Welsh language communication skills across the school.**
- 3. Provide real life learning experiences that are enriched using outdoor spaces, locally and wider.**
- 4. Improve wellbeing provision for all learners and staff.**

To view our full School Improvement Plan (SIP) for this 2024-25 SIP Document please visit the webpage:

<https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/sip-2024-25/>

Finally:

I would like to thank you all for your incomparable support and commitment toward making LPS the best it can be for all. Our pupils are a credit to the school and to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have a query or concern. You can use the email address provided at the top of this letter; I endeavour to respond to all emails within the same day.

All best to all,

Lee Burnell
Headteacher
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The LPS Curriculum & Learning Projects

Nursery:

1. Welcome to LPS
2. Once upon a time...
3. Minibeasts at LPS
4. Barnaby Bear at Swansea Bay
5. [LPS Flower Show](#)

Reception:

1. Play, Learn, Hatch and Grow
2. LPS Spring Festival
3. Rockpool Raiders
4. [LPS Flower Show](#)

Year 1:

1. LPS Happy Healthy Helpers
2. Amazing Astronauts
3. LPS and Brynteg Farm
4. [The LPS Summer Festival](#)

Year 2:

1. LPS and The Penllergare Trust
2. The Roman Invasion
3. Swansea Bay
4. [LPS Scented Stall \(Lush\)](#)

Year 3:

1. Fantasia
2. Sweyns-ey
3. Swansea Market
4. [LPS Market](#)

Year 4:

1. The River Ilston Disaster
2. Wales, Wars and Weddings
3. LPS Fitness Fanatics
4. [LPS Healthy Snack Bar](#)

Year 5:

1. Copperopolis
2. Abertawe Egyptology
3. Cymru Constellations
4. [LPS Farmers Market](#)

Year 6:

1. Wales at War
2. The Origin of the Species
3. Creative Cymru
4. [LPS Art Gallery](#)

For more information regarding our LPS Curriculum, Teaching Approaches, Assessment and Progression Models please visit our Curriculum, Teaching & Learning Policy on the following link:

<https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-curriculum-teaching-learning-policy/>

Key Information Links @LPS

Information Focus	Information Link
LPS Vision & Values	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/vision-and-values/
Self-Evaluation Report	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-self-evaluation-report/
School Improvement Plan	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-school-improvement-plan/
Welsh Government Grant Plans	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/welsh-government-grant-expenditure-plans/
LPS Prospectus	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/prospectus-1/
LPS Annual Report	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/governing-body/
Staffing Roles & Responsibilities	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/meet-the-staff/
LPS Safeguarding	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-safeguarding/
LPS Teaching & Learning	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-curriculum-teaching-learning/
Curriculum Developments	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/topic/areas-of-learning
Learning Experiences & Visits	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/class-pages/
LPS Transition Plans	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/transition-1/
LPS Policy	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-policies/
LPS Calendar	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/diary/grid/
LPS Wraparound Service	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/topic/lps-wraparound
LPS PTFA	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/ptfa-1/
LPS News & Events	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/topic/news-and-events
LPS Attendance	https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/attendance/