



Play, Learn & Grow Together

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April Newsletter 2025

Please read the following information, which highlights current information, routines, procedures and developments.

Easter Celebrations:

During the last week of term, we will be holding 3 Easter Sponsored events with some fabulous Easter eggs for the lucky winners and runners-up to take home.

- Nursery – Year 1 Sponsored Bunny Hop – Thursday 10th April 2025
- Year 2 – 4 Sponsored Bunny Hopper Race – Thursday 10th April 2025
- Year 5 & 6 Sponsored Bunny Pogo-Ball Race - Thursday 10th April 2025

We hope the children enjoy taking part in these events. Sponsor forms for these events have been sent home with the children.

Additionally, we will be holding our annual Easter Egg Rolling – Wednesday 9th April 2025, which for the first time ever, will be opened to all classes. We hope all the children will enjoy these wonderful end of term activities. Children will be required to bring in 2 decorated hard boiled eggs in a container by Tuesday 8th April 2025. Good luck all and hope you have an eggsellent time.

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 4th November
3. Monday 6th January
4. Monday 3rd March
5. Monday 28th April
6. Monday 21st 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.



The LPS Great Golden Table:

Our Pupil Voice Group, Happy Healthy Helpers (HHH), have been investigating ways to improve enjoyment and wellbeing during the lunchtimes for all of our children here at LPS. Sometimes the dinner hall can get very busy, especially during transition times between year groups. Occasionally, due to children wanting to get out on to the yard quickly, they can forget to place things in the correct areas. For example, we have seen cutlery and plates left on tables, food and wrappers left the floor.

To improve this for everyone, our HHH team have come up with a wonderful idea that they would like to share with you. Very soon, they will be introducing a new initiative, The LPS Great Golden Table (working title). Children demonstrating excellent behaviour, are helpful and kind to others and are thoughtful to all users of the dinner hall may be selected to dine at the LPS Great Golden Table on a Friday lunchtime. The table will have golden cutlery, plates, candelabras, goblets and tablecloths. They will even have golden crowns to wear.

More information to follow soon from our Triple H

Important Reminder for Wraparound Payments!

When sending in wraparound payments, please make sure to place them in an envelope clearly marked with: Your child's name; the amount paid; and the week it refers to. We have noticed an increase in payments coming through that only include a child's name. To help us manage these payments efficiently and ensure that your contributions go to the right place, we would greatly appreciate your cooperation in following these guidelines. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Important Reminder for Our School Community!

We have received a few reports of cars parking across neighbours' drives on Pengors Road. We want to take a moment to remind everyone of the importance of being considerate to our local residents. Many of them are elderly and require regular care and easy access to their properties. We kindly ask that you exercise consideration for our neighbours and their need for access. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and reflects the values of our school community.

Many thanks for your continued support.

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.

INSET Days for 2024-25

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

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
Llangyfelach Primary School

The New 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 new LPS Curriculum, Training Systems, Assessment and Progression Models please visit the following link:
<https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/lps-curriculum-teaching-learning/>

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/