



Play, Learn & Grow Together

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October Newsletter 2024

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

Harvest Festival 16th October 2024:

This year, we are thrilled to support Matthews House in Swansea, a wonderful charity that provides vital support and resources for those in need within our community. We invite everyone to come together as a school community to donate non-perishable food items and toiletries to help those less fortunate. Your contributions will make a meaningful difference and spread warmth and kindness throughout Swansea. Please click on the link to see a list of donation suggestions:

<https://www.llangyfelachprimaryschool.co.uk/harvest-festival-2/>

Please send your donations to school between now and 16th October. You can drop off at the main reception office. Let's show our community spirit and make this Harvest Festival one to remember! Together, we can create positive change and improve lives. Thank you for your generosity!

Break the Rules Day:

After the success of our past events, 'Break the Rules Day' is returns on **Friday 18th October 2024**, and every final day before every half term break.

Children can pay 50p for every rule they would like to break out of the list in the image to the right of this page. Please bring your rule breaking monies to school in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class.

We hope everyone will have a great rule breaking day of fun!

Many thanks for your continued support.



Parent Consultations:

Our Parent Consultation meetings for this term will take place during the week beginning **Monday 7th October 2024**. Further details and arrangements have already been shared with you via the school app. Please ensure that you reserve bookings with your child's class teacher via the online booking system. Many thanks for your cooperation.



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:

Attendance	Best chance of success	Your child is taking full advantage of every learning opportunity.
96 – 100% Attendance		
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.

Punctuality:

As you may be aware all schools work closely in conjunction with the Education Welfare Service in order to monitor pupil's punctuality and attendance. Our Education Welfare Officer regularly undertakes a register check in order to monitor who regularly arrives late on school premises in the mornings. Arriving late not only disrupts the routine of the class, but means that pupils also miss the all-important introduction to the first lesson of the day. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Asda Cashpot for Schools!

Please help us raise money for resources for our school by downloading the Asda Rewards App next time you shop at Asda <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

PTFA - Book Sale

We are thrilled to announce that this week's Book Fair was an incredible success! A huge thank you to everyone who purchased from us! Due to the overwhelming response, we are excited to hold another Book Fair soon! Not only does this event foster a love for books, but it also promotes recycling and helps protect our environment. Every book sold raises much needed funds for the school which all children benefit from. Stay tuned for the date and if you have any gently used books to donate, (we particularly need books suited for Years 4,5 and 6) please drop them off at our school office.

PTFA Movie Night

Mark your calendars! On Monday 11th November, we're hosting an after-school Movie Night from 3pm to 4:30pm. The film is still to be decided, but we promise it will be a treat! For just £6, enjoy a delicious combo of: Popcorn, Hotdog and a drink! You can secure your spot by purchasing your ticket on iPay soon! Don't miss out on a fantastic opportunity to relax and have fun with your friends after a busy day at school!

School Uniform

It's amazing when we have uniform donated that can be resold. Last summer Rachel and Kerry (Year 4 parents) raised £38 and all the money went to the PTFA. They love collecting second-hand uniform to reduce what goes to landfill. Please do donate your old uniform - but please give it a quick check over. If it is stained or ripped, then please take it to the appropriate place for recycling or refuse. Many thanks for your support as always.

Wraparound Message:

When sending in payment, please can we ask you to ensure it is sent in an envelope marked with your child's name, class, amount and the week the payment refers to.

Regarding Wraparound INSET Week, due to staff training that may require all staff, we have decided to close Wraparound INSET for just the Friday 25th October. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause, however INSET wraparound will still be available for Monday 21st to Thursday 24th October 2024.

Wraparound Cooking Club Update:

Due to the increasing popularity of our much-loved Wraparound Cooking Club and with increasing costs of food items, we will need to start charging an additional fee of £1 for this service for each booking. This raises **Cooking Club** price per session from £6 to £7, starting from the week beginning 4th November 2024. This is to ensure that we can provide enough resources, materials and food items for all children to use during our most popular club on our menu.

Many thanks for your support.

App Notification Issue

As you may be aware, there has been a recent issue with our app notifications - messages are received in The School App mailbox but no notification is sent. We have been in discussion with the provider and they have advised that parents should uninstall and reinstall the app to reinstate notifications. When reinstalling, please check that notifications are enabled for this app.

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/>

INSET Days for 2024-25

The following INSET Days have been set for the next academic year:

1. Monday 21st October 2024 (**Wraparound Booking Available**)
2. Tuesday 22nd October 2024 (**Wraparound Booking Available**)
3. Wednesday 23rd October 2024 (**Wraparound Booking Available**)
4. Thursday 24th October 2024 (**Wraparound Booking Available**)
5. Friday 25th October 2024
6. 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

Emotional Regulation Workshop:

📅 Date: Tuesday, 8th October

🕒 Time: 3.30 - 4.30 pm

📍 Location: Llangyfelach Primary School

We would like to invite you to our upcoming Emotional Regulation Workshop, hosted by CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services). This interactive workshop will provide you with valuable tools and strategies to help you and your child manage emotions more effectively. Whether it's coping with stress, anxiety, or navigating everyday challenges, this session will empower you with the knowledge to support your child's emotional well-being.

📋 Why Attend?

Gain insights into emotional regulation techniques

Learn how to create a supportive environment for your child

Connect with other parents and share experiences

Please register your attendance by completing the form below. We look forward to seeing you there:

<https://forms.office.com/e/xAJSq1JK1J>

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/