

Derwen News - November 5th 2021

Good Morning,

I hope you are keeping well.

It has been lovely this week to see the school almost at full capacity again after the Covid outbreak before the half term break. I would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents, carers and staff for helping Ysgol Derwen by following all guidance and requests issued by the school and TTP, and in doing so, ensuring the outbreak was over quickly. We must all continue to be vigilant over the coming months to try to avoid a similar situation and I will keep you informed if positive cases start to rise again.

Reception Admissions

We are currently accepting applications for our Nursery and Reception Classes for September 2021.

Can I please remind all Nursery parents that the closing date for Reception Admissions for September 2021 is Friday November 19th.

If you know anyone who is looking for a place for their child at Ysgol Derwen please ask them to contact the school office for more information and an application form.

Year 6 Parents Evening

Mrs King will be holding her Year 6 parents' meetings on Monday 15th November and Tuesday 16th November between 3.30pm and 6pm. She will also be offering appointments on Thursday November 18th between 9.30am and 11.30am.

These sessions will take place online using the School Cloud system. Appointment invitations will be sent out later today.

Individual Photographs

Individual photos of all our pupils will be taken by a professional photographer from Tempest Photography on Monday November 15th. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform on this day.

Flu Vaccinations

All pupils in our Reception to Year 6 Classes will be having their rearranged flu vaccination (nasal spray) on the afternoon of Thursday 25th November.

Dinners and Snack

School Dinners 1/11/21 – 21/12/21 = £85.10

Foundation Phase Snack £9.25 for the term.

Shoe Box Appeal

We will be supporting the annual Christmas Shoebox Appeal this year to try and bring some joy to less fortunate children across Europe. Your child will be given a leaflet with all the details to bring home today. If you feel you can support this initiative, please return the filled shoeboxes to school by Friday 19th November. Thank you.

Children In Need

The school Council will be organising a Children in Need fundraiser on Friday November 19th. Children will be able to attend school in their PJs or onesies, and if they want to can also come with mad hair styles. Please bring a donation towards this very worthy charity.

Dates

- Friday November 5th - Year 5&6 Theatre Workshop - Macbeth, A Midsummer Night's Dream, and The Tempest!
- Wednesday November 17th - Upper Foundation Visit to Chester Zoo
- Wednesday December 8th – Christmas Dinner (More details to follow)
- Thursday December 16th – Christmas Party Menu
- Tuesday December 21st – School closes for Christmas
- Monday January 10th – School Opens for the Spring Term

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2021-2022

AUTUMN TERM 2021

<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Wednesday 1 September</i>
Autumn Term Opens	Thursday 2 September
Half Term Closes	Friday 22 October
Half Term Opens	Monday 1 November
Term Closes	Tuesday 21 December
<i>Additional Bank Holiday for Queens Jubilee – Castell Alun Cluster</i>	Wednesday 22 December

SPRING TERM 2022

<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Thursday 6 January</i>
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Friday 7 January</i>

Spring Term Opens	Monday 10 January
Half Term Closes	Friday 18 February
Half Term Opens	Monday 28 February
Term Closes	Friday 8 April

SUMMER TERM 2022

Term Opens	Monday 25 April
<i>May Day Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Monday 2 May</i>
Half Term Closes	Friday 27 May
Half Term Opens	Monday 6 June
Term Closes	Friday 15 July
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 18 July</i>
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 19 July</i>
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>Wednesday 20 July</i>