

Covid

Can I please ask that we all are all still very vigilant that Covid is still in the community. We currently have a small number of pupils who have tested positive for Covid 19 since Monday in Year 6, Year 3, year 1 and Nursery.

Thank you very much to all the parents who are following the school request to be cautious with regards to Covid symptoms by either keeping their child home if they are unwell or getting their child tested. We also have children currently isolating due to a positive case in the household with these parents also being extremely cautious in order to protect the school and the community.

School Council Fundraising

A huge thank you to the members of the School Council who organised a fantastic PJ's and Mad Hair Day on Friday November 19th in support of Children in Need raising £341.

Thank you also to all the families who supported the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. The school have received 29 filled boxes which will be delivered to less fortunate children, and in doing so , make a huge difference to their lives over Christmas.

Wrap Around Care and New Build

Work towards offering full wrap around care for the children at Ysgol Derwen is making very good progress. Having been successful in securing a grant to help develop full wrap around care at Ysgol Derwen, work is well underway on the new build to the rear of the school. The building is now erected and secure with the roof, windows and doors installed. Electric and water will be connected in the coming days to allow the internal space is completed. There is still a lot to be done on the site but we hope the work will be completed by Christmas.

When the build is complete we hope to move Kinnerton Little Acorns into their new base and start to plan for full wrap around care at Ysgol Derwen.

This will include:

- **Breakfast Club (7.45 am to 8.55am)**
- **After School Club (End of the school day until 6pm)**
- **Nursery Plus (11.30am to 3pm)**

- **Early Entitlement (10 hours a week)**
- **Pre School Provision (Yet to be organised but this will be a play group for pre-nursery pupils)**
- **Holiday Clubs (More details will be shared when plans have been finalised, but we are hopeful to be in a position to offer this by the end of the academic year)**

Mexican Fiesta Theme Day

The school kitchen will be offering a Mexican Fiesta Theme Day menu on Thursday 25th November. across all Primary Schools. Attached is the Theme Day poster.

Dates

Thursday November 25th – Pupils in reception to Year 6 flu vaccinations

Wednesday December 8th – Christmas Dinner

Thursday December 16th – Christmas Party Menu

Tuesday December 21st – School closes for Christmas

Monday January 10th – School Opens for the Spring Term