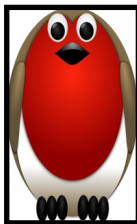


School Re-opens

**Thursday 6th January
8-55am**

**Have a Great
Christmas and a
Happy and Healthy
New Year 2022**



Llandudno and PGL Holidays

If your child is attending one of these holidays, you will have been sent a payment booklet. Please keep this safe and use it when sending in any payments. (Fridays only please) We also maintain a log of payments in school. Many thanks

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Absences : Honesty

It is a legal requirement that parents inform school of the correct reason for a child's absence. If your child is going to be absent as you have arranged a day out or a holiday, please be honest. Disappointingly, a growing number of parents feel the need to lie about the reasons for an absence. To encourage your child to be dishonest in this way is inappropriate and morally wrong. It certainly doesn't set a good example. So often, we actually know the true reasons for absence as we glean information from both the children in the class and from social media. All absences for holiday/days out, are recorded as unauthorized. Absences of 5 days or more will often trigger a penalty from the LEA. Many thanks to everyone who is open and honest with the reasons for their child's absence. This is much appreciated.

Special Thanks

A special thanks to everyone who has sent in cards and presents for the staff. It's most kind and it's great to know that their efforts are appreciated.

Kenyon Shield Winners : Aut 2

Reception : Francis Savage

Year 1 : Jacob Gill

Year 2 : Owen Edney

Year 3 : Austin Crilly

Year 4 : Jessica Orritt-Twist

Year 5 : Amelia Edmonds

Year 6 : Annabella McGorian

Congratulations and keep working hard.



Covid and Return to School

The latest prediction is that there will be a flood of new covid cases over the next few weeks as families get together and we enter the Christmas party season.

Before you send your child back to school on Thursday 6th January, it is imperative that you give your child a Lateral Flow Test. (Wed evening/Thurs morning) If your child tests positive through a LFT, please take them for a PCR test immediately and let us know the outcome.

There is so much learning to catch up on and we want to give all children the best possible educational start to the new year. To do this we need children to return virus-free so we can keep the school open.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

Autumn Term : Massive Success

It's been a long autumn term with the threat of covid always close by. Considering that, we have done amazingly well to carry on as normal and give the children so many wonderful experiences. We've had trips to Chester Zoo and Lancaster Castle, a Harvest Service in church, a pyjama day, a pirate day, a parents' evening, a Spooky Disco, a cinema night, a dress-up day, a Family Fun Night BBQ, a brilliant fireworks night, 2 nativities and 3 performances of the Joseph concert, a church Christmas Fair, we've carried on with swimming, had a fabulous Christmas party and there's been lots of inter-school sports. This is hopefully what makes our school special. Thanks to the staff.

Amazing Christmas Party

The children had a brilliant party on Wednesday. Many, many thanks to the PTFA and to those who helped out to make it such a special occasion.

They worked so hard. (Mrs Hardman, Mrs Davies, Mr Crilly, Mrs Stone, Mrs Caton, Mrs Morana, Mrs Kirkham and Mrs Dodd)

And thanks again to the PTFA for kindly funding extra food for the party, for the selection boxes and for paying the Father Christmas to come along.

He was absolutely awesome.

