

# Newyddion Cwmfelin News

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Spring Term 1  
2026



## *From the Head...*

It has been another action-packed term at Cwmfelin, filled with exciting opportunities and wonderful contributions from our pupils. Class 6 have truly risen to the challenge of taking on new roles and responsibilities, organising clubs and activities that have enriched lunchtimes and supported the wellbeing of our younger learners. Our Playground Peacemakers have been busy playing games with children in the infant yard, while our librarians have enjoyed running lunchtime library sessions. Digital Leaders have led a popular club with our Year 2 pupils, and a variety of sports clubs—including table tennis and football skills—have kept many children active and engaged. Assembly Monitors have been invaluable in helping to run our celebration assemblies, and Class 1 have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Welsh Club. Our Wellbeing Workers have also made a fantastic start, introducing worry boxes and forms so children can share concerns, and spending quality time supporting pupils across the school. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of them for their dedication, reliability, and enthusiasm—they are thriving in their roles and helping to make lunchtimes even more fun and meaningful. Well done, everyone!

As we come to the end of this busy term, I wish all our families a well-deserved rest and hope you all have a lovely half term break.

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*Mrs Edwards*



## *Oliver performance*

On Tuesday morning, we had the pleasure of attending the first showing of *Oliver!* at Maesteg School. It was wonderful to see such incredible talent on stage, with many of our former pupils performing so confidently. Our Year 6 pupils were also given the fantastic opportunity to take part in two of the group numbers. We were immensely proud to see 12 of our children involved in the production—they have shown great commitment during rehearsals and thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience. You are all superstars!



## Fundraising Friday!

Our Break the Rule Day was an absolute triumph today, and the excitement around the school was fantastic from the moment the children arrived! Pupils came in proudly wearing their own clothes, showcasing brilliantly wild and wonderful hairstyles, and they were delighted to bring along their favourite drinks and snacks for the day, as well as their favourite cuddly toy. The fun didn't stop there—the teachers fully embraced the chaos too!

Mrs Edwards made the children lead Celebration Assembly and the teachers awarded themselves the *Seren yr Wythnos* certificates, which caused plenty of laughter across the school. At lunchtime, the children were allowed to sit wherever they liked in the hall and there were extra chips, desserts, bread and salad for those who wanted it. It was brilliant to see the whole school community throwing themselves into the spirit of the day. Thank you to everyone who has already paid their "fines"—these can still be made via the School Gateway app. We have raised £344 so far, and your contributions will continue to support our school projects. Diolch yn fawr!



## Wellbeing Afternoon

We brought Children's Mental Health Week to a wonderful close with a whole-school wellbeing afternoon. Our Junior Wellbeing Workers, Ava and Autumn, thoughtfully organised a range of activity stations throughout the school. Pupils had the opportunity to take part in yoga, board games, mindfulness colouring, team games and a relaxing library session. It was a calm, joyful way to end the week and a lovely reminder of the importance of looking after our mental health.



## Family Engagement

We have been absolutely delighted with the wonderful response to our Reading Cafés in the infant classes. Parents from Nursery, Reception, and Class 1 have joined their children for a shared reading session, followed by a fun activity linked to the book. It has been lovely to see so many families engaging so enthusiastically, and the children have loved their grown-ups how we enjoy reading in school. Bethany, our Family Engagement Officer, was also in attendance and available to offer support, guidance, and a friendly chat where needed. We are pleased to share that these sessions will continue after half term, and we are excited to extend the Reading Café invitation to Classes 2 and 3 as well. The upcoming dates for these sessions can be found in the list of dates at the end of this newsletter.



## Big Bocs Bwyd

We are delighted to share that our Big Bocs Bwyd has been open daily, and it is wonderful to see parents and members of the community making good use of the food available in our Pay As You Can shop. The children have taken great pride in running the BBB each week. As part of the experience, they have also enjoyed bringing cooking into the curriculum, developing important life skills while supporting our school community. Below are some fantastic reports from Classes 2, 3 and 4, written by our year 6 pupils.

**Dosbarth Dau BBB week**

Caden's favourite thing was tidying

Leah's favourite part was eating her pancakes

Isaac's favourite part was cleaning the windows

Oslan's favourite part was doing job around the big Bocs Bwyd

Ivy's favourite part was taking the gone of food out

Niamh's Favourite part was moving the boxes round the BBB

Martha's favourite part was Sending grapes to other classes

Miyah's favourite part was taking the food around the juniors

Isla's favourite part was cutting up the grapes

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**Class 3 BBB week!**

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Miss Francis enjoyed seeing everyone getting involved in the lesson.

Eli W enjoyed making lemon fruit batteries.

Sofia enjoyed sorting the rice on the shelf.

William enjoyed whisking the cream.

Theo enjoyed putting the rice on the shelf.

Ffion enjoyed getting the materials from the BBB.

Harper R enjoyed tidying up

Charlie enjoyed looking around the BBB

Riley enjoyed tidying up

Amelia enjoyed chopping fruit

Mya enjoyed looking at the dates on the food in the BBB.

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**Year 4 BBB week**

Lashaanth enjoyed sorting things in the big Bocs Bwyd.

Mason enjoyed the kitchen disco in the big Bocs Bwyd.

Clara enjoyed trying new things.

Freya enjoyed stocking the shelves.

Seth enjoyed cutting the fruit.

Maccsen enjoyed making the pita bread.

Theo enjoyed doing maths with food and making a tally about the food

Pippa enjoyed sorting out the can (beans etc) .

Nevaeh enjoyed the cleaning up and organising.

Blake's favourite thing was doing the bar chart.

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## Family Engagement

We were delighted to welcome pupils and parents from Classes 1 and 2 to our very first Cooking Club with Miss Howells. To celebrate the launch, the session took on a delicious pancake theme. Children and their grown-ups worked together to prepare banana pancake batter to take home, before decorating ready-made pancakes with blueberries and chocolate chips. Pupils even had the chance to create their own recipe to make these delicious pancakes again at home in the future. It was a wonderful start to the club and a lovely opportunity for families to cook and create together.



## Summer Reading Challenge Success!

On Monday, we were delighted to welcome Jools from Maesteg Library to our school assembly. She presented certificates to many of our pupils who completed the Summer Reading Challenge. We were especially proud to hear that our school had the highest number of children taking part—making us the Maesteg winners!

Well done to all our fantastic readers, and a big thank you to Maesteg Library for their continued support.



## Reminders

- Information about our St David's Day Eisteddfod on Monday 2nd March has been emailed out to parents.
- The final day of Spring Term on Friday 27th March will be an INSET day.
- Don't forget to pay your Break the Rule day 'fines' via the School Gateway app.
- Parent governor application forms are available on our website and the closing date is Monday 9th March.
- You still have time to complete your 'screen-free night' pledge, the final date to return the ticket is Monday 23rd February.

## Diary dates

Event	Date
<b>SPRING TERM 2026</b>	
<b>HALF TERM - Monday 16th - Friday 20th February</b>	
St David's Day Eisteddfod	Monday 2nd March
Louby Lou Story time session for pupils	Tuesday 3rd March
World Book Day	Thursday 5th March
Nursery Reading Cafe	Monday 9th March 2.30pm
Internet safety workshops for parents of Class 5 & 6	Thursday 12th March 2.30pm
Reception Reading Cafe	Monday 16th March 2.30pm
Class 1 Reading Cafe	Monday 23rd March 2.30pm
Easter Bonnet parade	Tuesday 24th March 2pm
Swimming gala	Wednesday 25th March
Cwmfelin Choir perform at Maesteg Town Hall	Wednesday 25th March 2pm
INSET DAY - school closed for pupils	Friday 27th March
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS - MONDAY 30TH MARCH - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL</b>	
<b>SUMMER TERM 2026</b>	
First day for pupils	Monday 13th April
Class 2 Reading Cafe	Monday 20th April 2.30pm
Intensive swimming - Classes 3 & 4	Monday 20th April - Friday 24th April
Parent consultation evenings	Wednesday 22nd / Thursday 23rd April
Class 3 Reading Cafe	Monday 27th April 3pm
Colorfoto—group class photos and leavers	Friday 1st May
<b>School closed - May Day Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 4th May
Sports day - Early Years (am) / Years 1 - 6 (pm) *weather permitting	Wednesday 20th May
Sports day - reserve date 1	Thursday 21st May
Sports day - reserve date 2	Friday 22nd May
<b>HALF TERM Monday 25th - Friday 29th May</b>	
First day for pupils	Monday 1st June
Manor Adventure (Year 6 only)	Wednesday 17th - Friday 19th June
Class 6 transition days at Maesteg School	w/c Monday
Leavers assembly	Thursday 9th July
Last day of term	Friday 17th July
<b>School Closed - INSET DAY</b>	<b>Monday 20th July</b>