



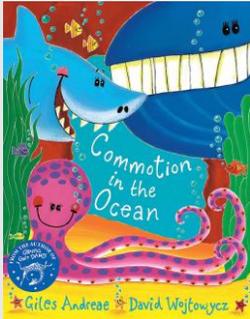
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Dosbarth Gwenyn

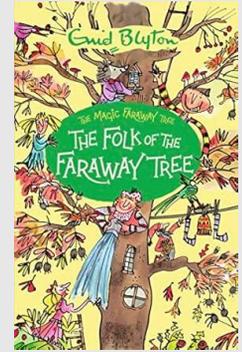


Every class has completed their discovery day and have planned fantastic learning opportunities for the term ahead.

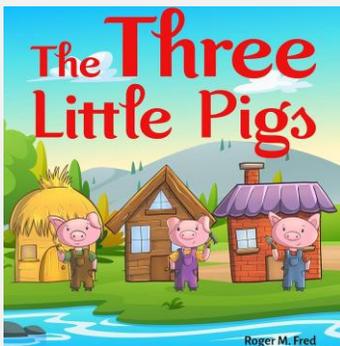
Our new topic is - **“Brilliant Builders”**

Here is a sample of the books the children are sharing and reading in their classrooms.

Dosbarth Broga



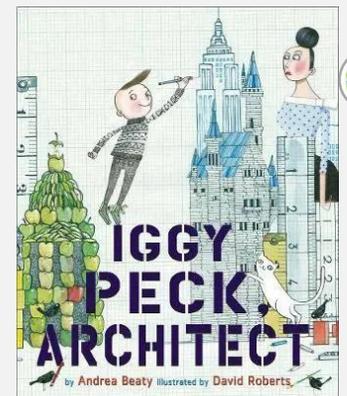
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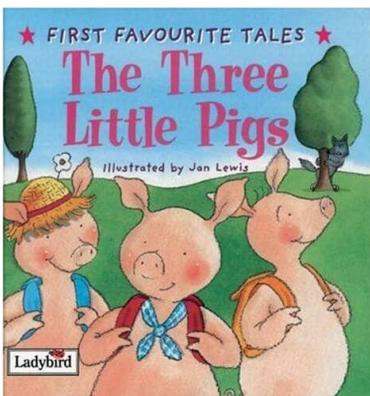
We have a focus on reading this year so the children will be sharing a range of texts and genres between now and July.

We encourage all our children to share their favourite books with their teachers and peers and we will celebrate **World Book Day on March 5th**.

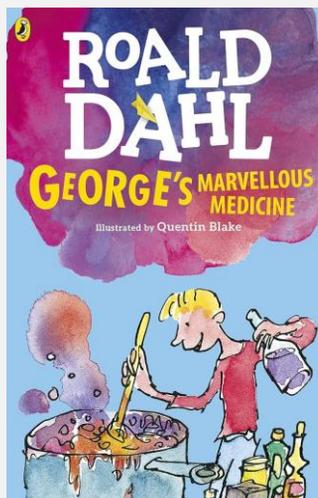
Dosbarth Malwen



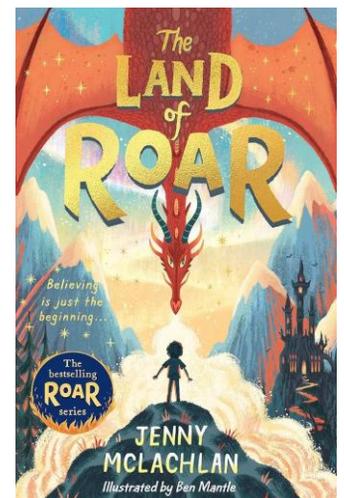
Dosbarth Pili Pala



Dosbarth Gwdihw



Dosbarth Hebog



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Diary Dates so far:

11/2/26 – Years 5 &6 to Elfed to see Bugsy Malone

13/2/26 – Pyjama Day

End of half term

23/2/26 – Return to School

5/3/26 – World Book Day

18/3/26 – Pili Pala Class Assembly 9am

20/3/26 – Staff Training Day

25/3/26 – Broga Class Assembly 9am

Library trip all classes

27/3/26 – Easter Bonnet/Hair Day

End of Spring Term

13/4/26 – Return to School

Week beginning 20th April Parents evening – dates and times tbc.

13/5/26 – Malwen Class Assembly 9am

20/5/26 – Gwdi Hw Class Assembly 9am

22/5/26 – End of Half Term

1/6/26 – Return to School

11/6/26 - Llygoden Class Assembly 9am

3/7/26 – Summer Fayre

10/7/26 – Year 6 leavers concert

14/7/26 – Buckley Jubilee – School

Closed/Training Day

17/7/26 – End of summer Term

20/7/26 – Staff Training Day

Attendance

Our attendance percentage for last term was 95.4% which falls just a little short of the national target of 96%. The children's attendance has a direct impact on their learning and we ask kindly that where possible, holidays in particular are not scheduled for term time.

Absences that go over 10 days cannot be authorised and these 10 days are for extreme circumstances only. Please help Drury reach their target of 96%, I know we can do it!

Understanding Your Percentage Attendance

100%	0 days missed	Fantastic attendance!	
99%	2 days missed	Well done—you are at or above the School Target	
98%	4 days missed		
97%	6 days missed		
96%	8 days missed	At 96% and below you are just below target—make sure you do not miss any more days	
95%	10 days missed		
94%	12 days missed		
93%	14 days missed	At 93% and below your attendance is becoming worryingly low.	
92%	16 days missed		
91%	18 days missed		
90%	19 days missed	At 90% and below you are Persistently Absent—school will support you and your family to help this improve	
89%	21 days missed		
88%	23 days missed		
87%	25 days missed		
86%	27 days missed		
85%	29 days missed		

Make every school day count!



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Safeguarding Information update for parents:

- We test our fire and lockdown drill procedures every half term to ensure all our children know and understand them well. We continue to be proud of how calmly the children react to the alarms and their behaviour is always excellent.
- The children know who the designated **Safeguarding** staff are but they also know that they can always talk to any adult in our school for help at anytime. Mrs Jones Head Teacher and Mrs Ellis Deputy Head are the responsible persons for this and here to support all our families in need.
- Please can we remind you that parents coming through the gate in the mornings **must only use the path to the front entrance** of the school. In order to keep the building secure, adults must check in at the front desk. Any children that arrive after 9am must also come to the main entrance, including the children in the mobile classrooms, as the gates are locked from this time onwards.
- Thank you for adhering to our one way system for traffic outside the school. It really helps to keep the children safe especially at home time.
- We appreciate your consideration when reporting absences and are pleased that almost all families are notifying school in the mornings for our registers, thank you.
- Please remember that you can find all the information regarding RSE (relationships and sexuality education) in our school, on our website in the parents section.
- As always, any questions, please get in touch.



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We continue to celebrate our Welsh heritage and culture at school. Our Criw Cymraeg members work very hard to promote the Welsh language and run an assembly every Wednesday, independently.



Each week we have a new phrase to learn and use as much as we can during the week ahead – you can even join in at home!

Next weeks pattern is **“Dw i’n hoffi dy ____ di.”**

This means I like your ____ (fill in the gap).

“Dw i’n hoffi dy wallt di.” I like your hair.

Our secretary Mrs Jones will be putting her new Welsh skills to use following her recent course, so feel free to, ‘siarad Cymraeg’ with her!



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NUT ALLERGY INFORMATION

We have previously informed all our families that we **strive to be a nut free school**. We have children with severe allergies which can even be air bourn. We ask that you are vigilant about any food that you send into school for snack or lunch and check for ingredients that may be harmful.

Thank you.



We are also asking for your consideration to help protect children with severe **sesame allergies**. This can be carried in all sorts of foods you wouldn't expect. We ask kindly, that you are mindful of this when choosing snacks and lunches to send into school.

We have epi pen trained staff on site at all times and our kitchen team are working behind the scenes to minimise risk. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Medical Information

We kindly ask that you update any medical records regarding your child(ren) with us. This includes intolerances, allergies, asthma and any other conditions we should be aware of. This will help us protect your children and ensure we have all the necessary information and equipment for school days, trips and residential.

Please advise the school of any change of address or phone number during term times, so that we can keep our essential lines of communication up to date.

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Our School Council Members are fully embracing their role as the voice of their peers. They have been working hard to ensure all children can contribute to school improvement.

They have undertaken all their duties with enthusiasm and skill.

So far they have;

1. Met with The Governing Body
2. Conducted tours of the school.
3. Consulted with County Officers to discuss their work.
4. Used suggestion boxes and questionnaires to canvas the thoughts and ideas of their classmates.
5. Developed ways to improve maths skills through games.
6. Co-ordinated a Book Club.
7. Helped to develop a sense of Belonging.
8. Organised litter picking to keep our school looking beautiful.



They will continue to support our school improvement targets:

1. Raising standards in reading
2. Developing maths in real life contexts.
3. Pupil voice supporting school improvement.

Our school prospectus is on our website.

<https://www.druryprimary.co.uk/prospectus-prospects/>

Reminders about school uniform and other useful information can be found in the prospectus.



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We were delighted to welcome Steve Guinness back to Drury for another LEGO extravaganza and as our “Super Starter”, for our new topic **Brilliant Builders!** The children loved being creative and taking on complex challenges.



Our very own Philippa Bevan is raising money for The Little Princess Trust, a charity that provides real-hair wigs to children and young people who lose their hair due to cancer treatment or other medical conditions.

Philippa wanted to do something that would make a real difference — so on 14th March, she will be cutting off and donating her own hair. Her hair will be used to help create a wig for another child who needs it, giving them confidence, comfort, and a little bit of joy when they need it most.

If you would like to find out more please follow the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/philippa-bevan-1>



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Mrs Douglas and Mrs Ellis, would like to ask if any of our families have unwanted welly boots – could they please consider donating them to school so that their classes can use their lovely outdoor space even in this muddy weather.

Mrs Douglas needs sizes 10-2 but the very small sizes would be great for our younger children.

Thank you.

We do still use our Amazon Wish List and welcome any purchases made on our behalf.

We thank our wonderful PTA for giving classes their termly allowance to support purchases to enhance our topic work.

Thank you for your continued support for our lovely school.

We are always here to listen and support our families so please get in touch via the school phone or e mail or make an appointment to speak to our teachers if you need.

Best wishes

Elizabeth Jones and all the staff at Drury x



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