

# Croeso I Dosbarth Llygoden



Confident



Ambitious



Resilient



Respectful



Family

# Mission Statement and Core Values

"The More we learn, the more we grow.  
Ysgol Drury is a great place to go!"



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# Child Safeguarding

## Safeguarding



Who can we ask for help?



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# Reception – Dosbarth Llygoden



My name is Sian Ellis and I am the Reception teacher at Drury Primary School. I have put this booklet together to answer some questions or worries you may have regarding your child/children starting full time education.

We aim to make the transition into full time school as easy as possible but we realise that it can sometimes be a difficult time for both parents and children. As you read through this booklet we hope that many of your questions about your child starting full time school will be answered.

When your child starts Reception there will be many new rules and routines to learn. You can help your child to become familiar with these by discussing some of the points overleaf before they arrive and during the first few weeks of school. This will have the added effect of increasing your child's confidence as they begin an exciting new chapter of their lives.



Mrs Ellis



Miss Lynsey

# Start and Finish Times



Start  
8.50am

Finish  
3.00pm

Children will be met at the gate by their teacher. If you need to collect your child early please ring the intercom buzzer and the secretary will let you in.

# Curriculum for Wales

The Curriculum for Wales aims to provide a whole school approach to teaching six areas of learning and experience. These will be taught through a variety of topics which will excite and inspire learners. Teachers are encouraged to design creative and innovative lessons which will support the development of the four purposes helping your child to be:

- 1) An ambitious, capable learner, ready to learn throughout your life
- 2) An enterprising, creative contributor, ready to play a full part in life and work
- 3) An ethical, informed citizen, ready to play your part in Wales and the world
- 4) A healthy, confident individual, ready to lead a fulfilling life as a valued member of society.

The Areas of Learning and Experience are as follows:



Expressive Arts



Health and Well-being



Humanities



Languages, Literacy and Communication



Mathematics and Numeracy



Science and Technology

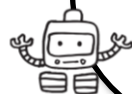
# Our Non-Negotiables

Our learners are entitled to a selection of non-negotiable elements to their education experience. These factors enrich learning and help to create a curriculum which broadens their horizons, challenges their perceptions both inside the and beyond.



Welsh  
Language,  
Culture and  
heritage

Exploring the locality and further afield while embracing the rich history and diverse geographical features of Wales. Using Welsh to communicate in school and the wider community. Raising the profile of Welsh to create a bilingual ethos.



Digital  
Learning

Using and understanding a wealth of software and hardware to transform learning both inside and outside the classroom. Accessing, understanding, sharing and presenting information confidently and across the curriculum with creativity.



Learning  
in the  
outdoors

Utilising our impressive grounds to understand and support the environment and habitats through cross cutting themes throughout the year. Improving the school site in a sustainable way that embeds habits for learners to use in their everyday lives.



Health  
and  
wellbeing

Empowering learners to understand their mental health and that of others. Arming children with skills and strategies to face challenge and diversity in a fair and confident way. Developing the skills and knowledge to ensure well rounded individuals can support each other, the school and the wide community. Preparing learners so they may better understand themselves and the plight of others less fortunate.

## How can Parents help?

The most crucial thing to assist your child is to encourage their independence and resilience- to give things a try. Even if they are unable to do something, it is so important for them to have the confidence to give things a go as this is how we learn!

Do things with your child and talk about them – whether it's everyday things such as shopping, playing outside, a walk or special things, such as buying a birthday present for a friend. Help them to join in the discussions, give them some choices so that they can make decisions. Play games together – board games such as Snakes & Ladders or Pairs. Read stories to your child, teach them songs and rhymes. Encourage them to draw, paint, colour and model with play dough.

Encourage your child to take responsibility and put their play things away – this is an important activity as well as making life easier for us all!

All these things, although they seem small, help a child extend their vocabulary, help them to tackle problems and help them develop the necessary skills for life which will make your child ready for learning at school.



# Preparing your child for school

What should he/she be able to do?

Starting school means your child will begin to be more independent and to begin to look after themselves. There are many ways in which you, as parents can help your child on this path.

Encourage your child to:

- \* Put on their coat and be able to fasten it.
- \* Put on their shoes and fix Velcro or fasten buckles.
- \* Use and flush the toilet themselves and re-dress before washing and drying their hands.
- \* Use a handkerchief or tissue.
- \* Look after/be responsible for their own belongings.
- \* Say 'Please' and 'Thankyou'.
- \* Tidy up after themselves.
- \* Share toys and equipment and take turns.
- \* Recognise their own name.
- \* Encourage the use of the phonic alphabet when sounding out words.
- \* Recognise and count numbers to 10.
- \* Hold and use pencils/crayons/pens.



# What is the Daily Routine?

We offer a balanced curriculum and each session follows a flexible routine that gives the children plenty of opportunity to have periods of uninterrupted play. Teaching staff will interact with the children, extending and enhancing their experiences, observing and assessing at specific times. Time is planned to listen to the children and for them to reflect on their activities. Children are given the opportunity to work individually, in pairs, in small groups and as a class.

## Mornings

School starts at 8.50am. Children will line up outside the school gate and will be collected by a member of staff and directed into the classroom. They will have a peg with their name on it to hang coats. Books bags/small bag should be used. We will practise this when children arrive.

## Afternoons

At 3.00pm the children are dismissed from school once the adult collecting them is present. Children must not leave the school grounds unless they are with the adult who has collected them. If you are not able to collect your child personally, please remember to let school know who will be coming.



# Healthy Schools

As a school we value the health and well-being of all members of our school community. Promoting a healthy lifestyle and recognising the importance of a healthy mind and body is a key aspect of all we do in school. Due to an increasing number of allergies and intolerances we now provide a healthy snack for the pupils. We are also a nut free establishment.

**PLEASE**



**NO PEANUTS  
OR  
NUT PRODUCTS**

## Water

Healthy drinks  
in primary schools

We encourage every child to bring in a reusable water bottle to school that they can keep in class and drink throughout the day. The water bottle must be clearly labelled with your child's name and contain only water.

Healthy snacks  
in primary schools

## Snack

As part of our healthy school initiative we provide snack for all children. This is at a cost of £1.50 per week. Children can choose from fruit, vegetables, toast, cheese & crackers, yogurt, cereal, raisins and crumpets. To encourage independence, they will be involved in preparation, serving and tidying up. They also have the option of milk which is provided by Welsh Government.



# Healthy Schools Meals

## Lunch

NEWydd provide a wide range of healthy dishes operating on a three-week cycle. Meals are made using ingredients of the highest quality, supplied by local producers where possible. Recipes are varied and child friendly with fun theme days and incentives.

All primary school children are now eligible for free school meals.

### NEWydd Primary School Menu

Refresh Our school kitchen Menu October 2024					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	<b>Jumbo Fish Finger</b> "OR" <b>Baked Veggie Nuggets</b> Served with creamed mashed potato & baked beans Fresh Baked Bread Fruit Sponge & Cream & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS SANDWICHES	<b>Welsh Beef Bolognaise</b> "OR" <b>Veggie Pasta Bolognaise</b> Served with pasta in tomato sauce, peas & garlic bread Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Roast Chicken Dinner of the Day</b> "OR" <b>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</b> Served with roast potato, carrots, broccoli & Yorkshire pudding Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Chicken Curry &amp; Naan Bread</b> "OR" <b>Vegetable Jalfrezi</b> Served with rice, peas & naan bread Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS	<b>Beef Burger or Vegan Burger</b> in a Bun "OR" <b>Salmon Fillet</b> Served with chips & veg sticks Fresh Baked Bread Cocoa Cookie & Fresh Fruit JACKET POTATO
WEEK 2	<b>Baked Sausage</b> "OR" <b>Baked Vegan Sausage</b> Served with Mashed Potato, Peas and Gravy Fresh Baked Bread Caramel Sponge & Cream & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS	<b>Tuscan Chicken &amp; Pasta</b> Served with pasta, sweetcorn & garlic bread "OR" <b>Tomato Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread</b> Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Roast Turkey Dinner of the Day</b> "OR" <b>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</b> Served with roast potatoes, carrots, green beans & Yorkshire pudding Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Baked Fish Fillet</b> Served with creamed mashed potato & baked beans "OR" <b>Chilli Non Carne</b> Vegetarian mince chli served with rice & peas Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS	<b>Chicken Nuggets</b> Served with chips & veg sticks "OR" <b>Vegetable Tortilla Stack</b> Served with chips & veg sticks Fresh Baked Bread Shortbread Biscuit & Fresh Fruit JACKET POTATO
WEEK 3	<b>Big Breakfast</b> Bacon, free range Omelette, Baked Beans and a wedge of Bread "OR" <b>Veggie Big Breakfast</b> Vegan sausage, free range omelette, baked beans and a wedge of bread Fresh Baked Bread Cocoa Sponge & Cream & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS	<b>Meatballs &amp; Pasta</b> "OR" <b>Veggie Meatballs &amp; Pasta</b> Vegetarian meatballs in a tomato sauce, peas & garlic bread Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Roast Chicken Dinner of the Day</b> "OR" <b>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</b> Served with mashed potatoes & garden peas, carrots & Yorkshire pudding Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit SANDWICHES	<b>Ham &amp; Cheese Calzone Pocket</b> "OR" <b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Calzone Pocket</b> Served with baked wedges & peas Fresh Baked Bread Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit PASTA POTS	<b>Chicken Burger or Vegan Burger</b> in a Bun "OR" <b>Baked Cod Goujons</b> Served with chips & veg sticks Fresh Baked Bread Plain Flapjack & Fresh Fruit JACKET POTATO
<b>SALAD BARS</b> To help children reach their 5 a day every school now has a new help yourself salad bar. Children can fill up on a choice of at least 6 fresh salad items every day. Available with every meal choice.		<b>DESSERT BARS</b> Our aim is to get children to eat more fruit based desserts at lunchtime. Each school now has a new help yourself dessert bar where children can choose Llaeth Y Llan yogurts and top with a wide choice of fresh seasonal fruits.		<b>APPROVED</b> This menu has been nutritionally analysed in line with Welsh Government Guidance to meet public needs for protein, carbohydrates, fat, sugar and salt.	
<b>ALLERGENS &amp; INTOLERANCES</b> Many of our dishes are available to accommodate special dietary requirements - please contact our Cook to discuss these options					
KEY:  Outside for Vegetarians  Vegan Option Available  Additional Dairy Option PLEASE NOTE: ***OUR MENUS COULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO NATIONWIDE SUPPLY ISSUES***					

You can also provide your own packed lunch. We want to encourage healthy packed lunches for those children who bring food to school. This leaflet has handy hints and tips to help make sure that the contents of your child's lunchbox are as nutritious as the lunches served in schools in Wales.



# School Uniform



## PE Kit



# General Information

- **Illness and Absence** – Please notify the school by phone or a note a.s.a.p. if your child is unwell or unable to attend school for any reason. We strongly discourage children having time out of school as this will disrupt their learning and may lead to them missing out on important concepts. However, if it is essential that you take your child out of school for a personal reason, please email the school office on [www.dpmail@hwbcymru.net](mailto:www.dpmail@hwbcymru.net) with all relevant details.
- **Medication** – staff will administer medication to children if requested and you will be asked to complete a consent form from school office.
- **Asthma** – children with asthma. Please provide school with a labelled inhaler, stating name and dosage. Forms will need to be signed and remain in school office.
- **Head lice** – please check your child's hair regularly. Hair should be tied back to help prevent any spread.
- **Photographic consent** – you will be asked to sign a proforma giving your consent for photos and videos to be used on social media platforms.
- **Allergies** – please inform staff if your child has any allergies or dietary requirements.

# General Information

## Attendance

For a child to reach their full educational potential, a high level of school attendance is essential. At Drury Primary School its our mission to consistently strive to achieve a goal of 96% attendance for all children.

Attending school every day ensures all children make progress in their learning. It is very tricky for children when they miss days and need to catch up with their learning. As a school we really believe that every day counts and we do lots to encourage good attendance. If your child is unwell and will be absent from school, please call the school office that morning to inform us of the reason for absence.

The routines children develop around attendance and punctuality at school are the same as the expectations of any future employer in the world of work. High attainment, confidence with peers and staff, and future aspirations depend on good attendance.

### **Good attendance is important because:**

Statistics show a direct link between under-achievement and absence below 95%.

Regular attenders make better progress, both socially and academically. Regular attenders find school routines, school work and friendships easier to cope with.

Regular attenders find learning more satisfying.

Regular attenders are more successful in transferring between primary school, secondary school, higher education and employment or training.



# Screen Time Limits

Too much Screen Time could have an impact on your child's language development.

## Ideas for safe Screen Time at home

- Sit with your child and share the screen and talk about what they are doing or seeing.
- Talk about what your child saw on screen in your everyday activities.
- Set limits on the amount of time young children access screens – this might be a challenge to start with but most little children prefer time with their parents playing, exploring and doing physical activities!
- Reading a book together is better than any app for child's language development.
- Switch off and unplug devices and TVs when they are not in use – background noise can impact on listening skills and children will be easily distracted by TV programmes even if the sound is turned down.
- Think about your own phone behaviour! Everyday activities like helping your child with bathing, feeding, eating out or playing in the garden provide opportunities for you to talk and interact together. If you are always looking at your phone, you are less likely to be looking at your child. Children learn from this and it can lead to attention seeking behaviour or feelings of rejection.





# Your Child's Progress at Drury Primary School

At Drury Primary School, we offer many opportunities for you to discuss your child's progress, either through informal chats at the school gate, 'meet the teacher' in the Autumn term or full parents evening during the spring term. You will also receive a written report at the end of the summer term, outlining your child's achievements throughout the year.

If you have any questions or queries and would like to speak to your child's teacher about any worries or concerns, please contact the school office on [Tel:01244 543005](tel:01244543005) or emailing [dpmail@hwbmail.com](mailto:dpmail@hwbmail.com)



## SEESAW

Seesaw is a digital platform used by teachers, pupils, and families to facilitate communication and share learning experiences. It allows the children to document their learning through various media like photos, videos, drawings, and notes, creating digital portfolios. Teachers can make announcements, assign activities, and communicate with families.



# Beech Tree Club & Wraparound

Beech Tree Club provides quality Before and After School childcare for the children of Drury Primary school aged 3-11 years.

We also provide 'Wraparound' care for our nursery aged children (3/4yr olds).

They are based here on the site of Drury Primary School and have the use of a lovely purpose-built lodge.

Opening times are as follows:

Before/After School Club:

Monday to Friday: 7:30am - 8:45am  
3:15pm - 5:30pm

Wraparound childcare

Monday to Friday: 11:30am - 3:00pm  
(3:15pm if booked into after school club)

For further information on eligibility, please click on the following:

