



TREMAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

APRIL 2023

**NEWSLETTER: CYLCH LYTHYR**

## New admin email address

Please note that the admin email address is now [admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru). **Please remember to state your child's full name and class in your email.**

Big Bocs Bwyd – BBB



We have had a wonderful response to the re-opening of Big Bocs Bwyd. Many of the new parents and carers that used Big Bocs Bwyd over the last couple of weeks have told us...

- They thought that Big Bocs Bwyd was a foodbank.  
**Big Bocs Bwyd is not a foodbank. It is a project to reduce food waste.**
- They thought that they were not eligible to use Big Bocs Bwyd.  
**Big Bocs Bwyd is available to all parents, carers, staff, members of the local community.**
- They thought the items were past their sell by date.  
**All dried produce has a long shelf life. The fresh fruit and vegetables are well within use by dates and the frozen items have the usual frozen goods life.**
- They felt a little embarrassed to use Big Bocs Bwyd.  
**Parents and carers explained that they no longer feel embarrassed as they now understand the purpose of the project and are pleased to help reduce food waste and set a good example to their**

children. They have informed us that using Big Bocs Bwyd has opened up conversations within the home about global food waste and how this project is helping the planet.

- They were unsure of what items were available.

Over the last couple of weeks many of the items have been on display outside Big Bocs Bwyd. There are dried and tinned goods, fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy products such as yogurt and cheeses, chilled products such as chicken, lamb steaks, pies and salad produce just to name a few. Frozen foods vary but we have been able to supply frozen vegetables, chips, fish fingers and everyday foods that children love. Bread, rolls, cakes and pastries have also been available. The items vary from week to week but there is always a good supply to ensure a healthy meal can be made.

- They did not have any cash on them.

At present we are only able to accept cash but with a week or so we will have a card machine available and we know that this will make Big Bocs Bwyd available to more parents who are enticed into Big Bocs Bwyd as they are passing each day.

- They did not know how much to pay for the items.

The suggested cost for one carrier bag of items is £2.50. Should you only require one or two items you are able to make a donation for the items you have chosen.

**Big Bocs Bwyd will be open every day.**

**Monday – Friday between 8:00 am – 9:00 am and 2:30 pm – 3:15 pm**

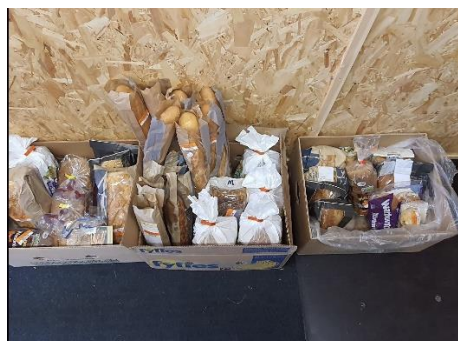
**We hope you will drop by and look around. Bring your children, perhaps they can choose a few items and help you prepare the evening meal.**

We have a dedicated team of volunteers that are committed to supporting the development of Big Bocs Bwyd for our families, the community and as a resource to support children's learning.

We are always pleased to welcome more volunteers to join this team and to make this project a success.

Please contact the school if you are interested. You can call 01656 815900 or email

[admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru).



**A superb range of items available in Big Bocs Bwyd this week.**

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Outdoor learning takes place across the year but as the weather changes and the days are longer and warmer your children will be spending more time outdoors and will be exposed to the sun.

We would be grateful if you would ensure that your children have a sun hat, water bottle and that you have applied sunscreen to exposed skin before they arrive at school.

All staff appreciate your support and co-operation in this matter so that we have more time for learning, exploring and exercising.



Fundraising is an essential part of every school year. The funds raised by various events help to support the school to part-fund trips and specialist visitors to school, purchase additional resources and provide new and exciting opportunities for your children.

Many of our fundraising events are planned and organised by our pupils in various enterprise initiatives where they use their literacy and numeracy skills during each stage of their events.

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We will continue to provide the long-established events such as discos and film nights as these are always popular but would welcome any fund-raising suggestions that you have. Please contact Mrs McDonald via the admin email address, [admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru) or have chat with your child's class teacher. If your child is in the older year groups, please encourage them to have a voice and make a suggestion to their class teacher. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## New Pupils



Across the year we have new pupils that move into the area and join our school.

We are always delighted that families choose our school and aim to ensure that they are given a warm welcome and supported to settle quickly into their new classes.

## Everyone's Responsibility - Health and Safety

We would be grateful if you would report to the office any health and safety issues that you notice on our school site. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is very popular with families across all year groups. Currently there are spaces available and if you would like further information about this free service, please contact the admin office by telephone 01658 815900 or via email [admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru).

# YEAR 1



Throughout the Spring Term Year 1 were learning about toys and they decided to end this topic by raising money for Barnardo's Childrens Charity by holding a Toy Tombola. They raised an impressive £61.70.



*Thank you to everyone who donated toys and played the tombola.*



What fun we had during the Easter Bonnet Parade. The weather was kind and we loved showing off our creations to our friends and family. Thank you to our grown-ups for making them with us!

Our topic this term is Look through the window, what do you see? To give us some ideas about how wonderful nature is, we took part in a 'Rainforest Workshop.' We learnt about the different trees, the weather and the animals you have in a rainforest.



## Parental Engagement

Thank you to our wonderful families for coming into school and helping us get our outdoor area ready for our summer learning. Weeding, tidying up, planting seeds, building bug hotels, building goal posts and digging drainage were just some of the things we did!

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## BLWYDDYN 5

A great start to our new topic this term – ‘Coasts and Oceans’ when we all went outside to measure and compare the actual length of a variety of sea creatures. Great problem solving and measuring skills all round!



We also visited the Life Exhibition at the Gospel Hall in Bridgend to learn about the life of Jesus.



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## Nursery



Nursery family engagement went well, we were digging and planting in the sunshine to develop our Big Bocs Bwyd allotments!

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Nursery enjoyed their teddy bear's picnic as a hook to their Summer garden topic.



Getting ready for our  
Easter Bonnet Parade  
Nursery, Reception and Year 1  
Classes





## RECEPTION

Reception children enjoyed asking questions about the farm animals. Everyone had the chance to feed the lambs! So cute. Reception children would like to thank Mr and Mrs Wilson for bringing the animals to our school. Diolch.



## Year 2



Before the Easter holiday we did an Easter parade. We made fun-looking Easter hats and our cool parents came to the parade. It was fun!

By Millie & Isabelle



Our families came into school and we made paper houses for the Four Little Pigs and tried to blow them down. The houses were so strong we had to use the leaf blower!

By Tyler & Sophie





## Year 2



We have been painting like the graffiti artist Stik. He uses his imagination to create art on buildings, but he always asks for permission.

By Isaac S, Emily, Finley & Rowan

## Y3 - Wildlife Wonders

Year 3 have enjoyed learning about endangered animals. We have classified animals at risk using the IUCN Red List. We were sad to see so many species endangered or critically endangered.



Did you know..?

Every day 25 elephant are killed by poachers.

This must stop!



We are very excited about our visit to Noah's Ark Zoo next Tuesday and cannot wait to see some of these wonderful animals up close. Photographs to follow in the next newsletter.



## Year 4 Dragon Showcase

Year 4 really enjoyed hosting their Spring Term Parental Engagement event and showcasing all the wonderful work they had produced based on the topic of dragons. As well as working with their grown-ups to create a clay dragon eye, pupils also had the opportunity to share:

- Their own written and published story entitled “The Egg”.
- Their coding skills – as pupils had created a dragon sprite that could breathe fire and disappear!!!
- And their STEM project – where they had made a dragon whose mouth opened using a pneumatic system.

Year 4 were incredibly proud of the work they had achieved in such a short term- and rightly so!

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## **MUSIC FOR YOUTH**



Years 5 and 6 had an amazing opportunity to take part in the 'Music

For Youth' Regional Festival in Porthcawl Pavilion on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. The following is an extract from the feedback they received from the music mentors:

*'It's so impressive to see so many pupils from one school. A strong opening with confident playing from all sections of the orchestra. You all played your notes with confidence and make a good sound.'*

*The choir make a vibrant rich sound, and project really well.*

We would like to thank Mrs McDonald and Mr Donaghy from Bridgend Music Service who supported us in this!

One pupil said 'This is a day I will never forget!'



# Cymraeg Bob Dydd

Wythnos	Nursery and Reception	Years 1 , 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
1	<i>Pawb yn barod?</i> Everybody ready?	<i>Pawb yn dawel!</i> Everybody quiet!
2	<i>Amser cinio/chwarae.</i> Lunch time/ play time.	<i>Bant y chi!</i> Off you go!
3	<i>Daliwch a ti.</i> Keep at it!	<i>Daliwch a ti.</i> Keep at it!
4	<i>Gwych.</i> Excellent.	<i>Ga i fynd i'r ty bach os gwelwch yn dda?</i> Can I go to the toilet please?
5	<i>Dim swn.</i> No noise.	<i>Amser tacluso!</i> Time to tidy up!
6	<i>Diolch yn fawr.</i> Thank you very much.	<i>Gwisgwch eich cotiau!</i> Wear your coats!
7	<i>Golchwch eich dwylo.</i> Wash your hands.	<i>Mae hi'n amser... (cinio/ chwarae etc)</i> It is time for...
8	<i>Sefwch wrth y drws.</i> Stand by the door.	In response to <i>Sut wyt ti?</i> <i>Gweddol diolch.</i> Fair ,thank you.
9	<i>Ewch allan.</i> Go out	<i>Dwylo'r ynghyd llygaid ynghau.</i> Hands together eyes closed.
10	<i>Edrychwch i...!</i> Look at...!	<i>Pwy sy' eisiau...?</i> Who wants...?

Our wonderful Criw Cymraeg have worked together to create the above **Phase of the Week Chart** for all year groups to follow during the Summer Term.

Thank you to Mrs David for supporting these children to produce a helpful resource to improve the Welsh Language within our school. Diolch

## Future Events for Your Diary: Am eich

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3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Teacher Training Day
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Teacher Training Day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Coronation Celebration Day
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday

### INSET DAYS for next academic year. 2023/24

4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Teacher Training Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	Teacher Training Day
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2024	Teacher Training Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024	Teacher Training Day

There will be two further training days – these dates will be published as soon as they are confirmed.

## This School Year

### 2022/23 Term dates

**Summer Term Start:** Monday 17 April 2023

**Half-term:** Monday 29 May 2023 - Friday 2 June 2023

**End:** Monday 24 July 2023

### Next Year 2023/24 Term Dates

#### **Autumn Term**

**Start:** Monday 4 September 2023

**Half Term:** Monday 30 October 2023 – Friday 3 November 2023

**End:** Friday 22 December 2023

#### **Spring Term**

**Start:** Monday 8 January 2024

**Half-term:** Monday 12 February 2024 – Friday 16 February 2024

**End:** Friday 22 March 2024

#### **Summer Term**

**Start:** Monday 8 April 2024

**Half-term:** Monday 27 May 2024 – Friday 31 May 2024

**End:** Monday 22 July 2024

## Simply After School

Simply out of School is open and running from the Infant school hall for after school childcare Monday to Friday.

Open to all children from Nursery to Year 6. Fully CIW registered so all means of funding are accepted.

Open until 5.30pm starting at just £10.50. Varied activities, and food and drinks included.

Emergency, adhoc and set day bookings welcome.

Message [fionna@simplyoutofschool.co.uk](mailto:fionna@simplyoutofschool.co.uk) for more information and to book a free trial session.