



Ysgol Penmorfa Newsletter



12th September 2025 (No. 1)

Welcome Back!

It has been lovely to welcome everyone back. I have to say they have all looked great in their new school uniforms and many of them have grown so much over the summer holiday too!

School's Term Dates 2025-2026

AUTUMN TERM 2025

INSET Days

Monday 1st September

Tuesday 2nd September

Half term close—Friday 24th Oct

School opens for pupils
Monday 3rd November

School closes for Christmas
Friday 19th December

SPRING TERM 2026

INSET Day-Monday 5th January

School reopens for pupils
Tuesday 6th Jan

School closes for Half Term
Friday 13th Feb

School opens for pupils
Monday 23rd Feb

INSET Day-Friday 27th February

School closes for Easter
Friday 27th March

SUMMER TERM 2026

INSET Day-Monday 13th April

School opens for pupils
Tuesday 14th April

Bank Holiday—Monday 4th May

Half term close
Friday 22nd May

School reopens for pupils
Monday 1st June

School closes for Summer
Friday 17th July

INSET Day-Monday 20th July

4A have made some lovely creative pieces in response to their class text 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse'.



Please can I remind you to bring proof of any medical appointments when collecting pupils early from school. We are happy to accept an email of a screen shot from your phone but need this information for our attendance procedures. It would also be really helpful if we are told about medical appointments in advance.

Diolch

Attendance and Punctuality

As we are at the start of a new school year, I'd like to remind you about the importance of your child's attendance. Please make every effort to get your child/children to school on time. Doors open at 8.45am and we also have a breakfast club provision available from 7.45am at a cost of £2 and from 8am for £1. Children can also attend the club at 8.30am which is free of charge.

Our Attendance target is 95%

Can I also remind you to contact the school office if your child is absent for any reason. We now have an answering service so when you ring school just press option 1 and leave a message, giving your child's name, class and the reason for absence. This will avoid us having to contact you to find out why your child/children are away.

Thank you.

5C enjoyed an online music session thanks to Denbighshire Music Co-operative. The pupils enjoyed singing along and playing air guitar.



Extra-Curricular Clubs will start as follows:

Monday – Running for years 3 – 6 (until 4pm starting 15th September)

Monday – Young Voices for years 4, 5 & 6 (until 4pm starting 15th September)

Tuesday – Boys’ Football for years 5 & 6 (starting next week)

Wednesday – Netball for any pupils in years 3 – 6 (starting next week)

The clubs will run straight after school until 4.15pm unless otherwise stated. If you haven’t returned the form to join a club, please do so next week.

Thank you

Happy Birthday

Lucy Q – 1st September

Freya B – 2nd September

Isla W – 3rd September

Nataliia B – 4th September

Tyler H – 4th September

Harrison O – 6th September

Arlo H – 7th September

Penelope H – 9th September

Brodie-Leigh H – 9th September

Holly C – 10th September

Emily D – 10th September

James R – 10th September


Joshua F – 11th September

Zack Q – 11th September

Corby W – 12th September

We appreciate parking is difficult but please be mindful of our neighbours when dropping off and picking up and do not block their drives. It would be great to see more children walking to school to keep fit and healthy!

Please note Denbighshire does not allow authorised holidays in term time. Taking a holiday during term time seriously affects your child’s attendance and in turn their attainment. If unauthorised time is taken from school, this may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being served.

Educational Social Work Service 
Fixed Penalty Notice

UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE

Applicable to


Statutory School Age from Child’s 5th Birthday

What will happen if the absence is unauthorised?

- The school will decide if a Fixed Penalty Notice should be issued. If the school decide that a Fixed Penalty Notice is to be issued
- You will receive a letter from the school advising that it has referred the matter to the Local Authority and that a Fixed Penalty Notice may be issued:
- The school will inform the Local Authority that a Fixed Penalty Notice needs to be issued
- A Fixed Penalty Notice will be sent to you, accompanied by an explanatory letter, the Notice gives you the opportunity to pay a penalty fine instead of being prosecuted in the criminal courts

Penalties for Unauthorised absence

Timeline	One Child	Two Children
Paid within 28 days	£60 per parent	£60 per child = £120 per parent
After 28 days and before 42 days	£120 per parent	£120 per child = £240 per parent
After 42 days	You will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates’ Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child’s regular school attendance	You will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates’ Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your children’s regular school attendance

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Fixed Penalty Notice

Payments will not be accepted after the 42nd day and payments cannot be paid in part or by instalments

Each school can provide you with the contact number of the Education Social Work Service if you wish to discuss this matter further:

Details about Fixed Penalty Notice can be found on our Website

www.denbighshire.gov.uk

Other leaflets are available through the school where your child is registered or through Education Services

- Helping your “ School Attendance ”
- Taking Children on Holiday during Term Time

The expression “parent” in relation to a child or young person, includes any person who is not a parent of a child but who has parental responsibility for him/her, or who has care of the child.

Important dates for your diary

Monday 15th September

Rec & 1/2JP Forest School/Life Skills

Tuesday 16th September

Y5 & Y6 Forest School/Life Skills/Builders Yard

Y6 Swimming

Wednesday 17th September

Y3 & Y4 Forest School/Life Skills/Builders Yard

Thursday 18th September

1/2MH & 1/2NH Forest School/Life Skills

Friday 19th September

Rec ‘Fresh Air Friday’

Please note: Again, this year we are asking all pupils to come to school in black tracksuits for their Forest School/Life Skills sessions and NOT own clothes.

Thank you/Diolch.