



Rhos y Fedwen Primary School

www.rhosyfedwenprimary.co.uk

Welcome Back to School-January 2026



The School Essentials Grant can give you up to £200 towards school costs.

There could be more help available through the School Essentials Grant and extra funding for your school. Even if your child already receives Universal Primary Free School Meals, you still need to check your eligibility to access the wider support.

Email benefits@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk or telephone 01495 311556 for further information about this grant.

We have lots for you to be part of at RyF. Please Join us this term for...

- Baby Massage -Thursdays 1.30pm-3pm
- Cookery classes -Tuesday 13 January for 5 Weeks 1pm-3pm
- Open mornings- the week of 2.2.26. Day to be announced by class teachers on Dojo.

#FlourishTogether

It is likely to continue to be cold and wet, please make sure your child has waterproof footwear (no canvas shoes) and a warm, waterproof coat. Wellies are always welcome as a change of footwear, especially to access the field. #FlourishTogether

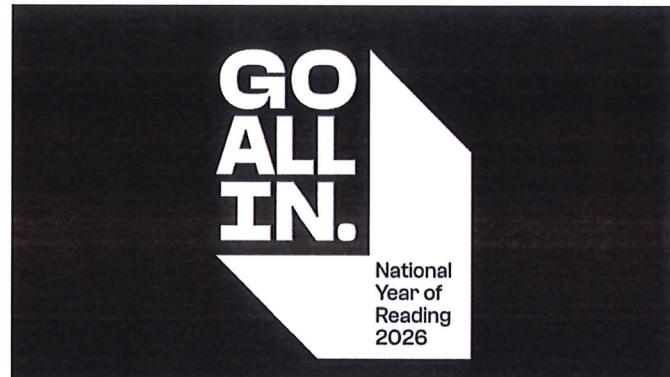


We are looking for a lunchtime playworker 1 hour a day. 12-1pm. Chat to us in the office to find out more.

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We are delighted to welcome and introduce you to **Mrs Kerry-Anne O'Connor**- our new, permanent RyF school clerk. I know you will all support her as she settles in.

'Big thanks' to **Francesca Phillips** who has been our interim clerk, we are very grateful for everything and we look forward to keeping in touch.



As a school, we will be taking part in the **National Year of Reading 2026**. It would be lovely for you to share your reading with us too. If you fancy recording yourself or your child reading and sharing this, please do. We would love to share our love of reading across the community via class dojo. **#GoAllin #FlourishTogether**

We are proud of our reading! More than half of our learners can read at a level above their actual age. We love reading at RyF. **#Achieve**

We are still working towards our target of reading a million words- keep collecting your badges!

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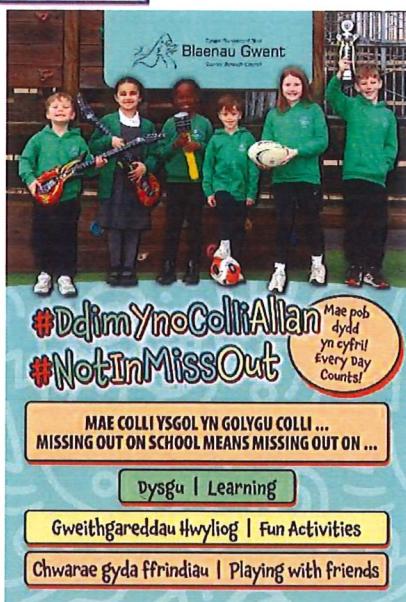
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Reading Support

We are working in partnership with Coram Beanstalk and through this are thrilled to have

Mrs Pooja Gupta

working with us as a fully trained reading volunteer.

Mrs Gupta is currently supporting one morning a week, reading with Dosbarth Gwydd.



Find out more about Coram Beanstalk or about becoming a trained reading volunteer here:

<https://www.beanstalkcharity.org.uk/>

Attendance and Punctuality

We had been making great improvements with attendance until the nasty winter viruses hit.

If you would like support with **being on time or for improving attendance**, please speak to Mr Bishop. We are usually able to help!
#NotInMissOut #NIMO #AchieveandFlourish #ProudtoBeRyF



BUY NOTHING NEW MONTH

Every new item we buy comes with an environmental price tag. Could you buy nothing new for just one month?

Save your pennies and protect the planet

From the water and energy used in production, to the fuel used in delivery, every new item we buy comes with an environmental price tag.

That's why this January, Keep Britain Tidy are inviting you to make a New Year's resolution that will truly stick by taking part in Buy Nothing New Month (**1-31 January, 2026**). The challenge is simple. For the month of January, make a commitment to buy nothing new, other than essentials like food and medicines. **Make use of our clean, pre-loved school uniform and look out for our book swap- cookery books, good stories etc free to borrow, read & return.** How else can we support this? **#learningtogether**

In order for clarity and transparency, we have reviewed our transport to school arrangements and have updated and formalised our criteria for providing places on the minibus. This will be available on the website from 30.01.26.

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