



# Cylchlythyr Ysgol Glanwydden Newsletter

## March 2017



# Easter Break - 10/4/17 - 25/4/17

STAFF TRAINING DAY MONDAY 24/4/17 - SCHOOL STARTS FOR PUPILS ON 25/4/17

**Growth Mindset**

Over the next few months, we will be developing a ‘Growth Mindset’ culture in our pupils. The term ‘growth mindset’ refers to a way of thinking, learning and taking on challenges. A person with a growth mindset is open to constructive criticism, takes feedback and uses it, takes on new challenges, pushes themselves outside of their comfort zone and shows resilience and perseverance. Studies show that it is people with a growth mindset (as opposed to a fixed mindset) who achieve in life, are successful in all they do and are happy. Of course, this is exactly what we want for all our children. We would like you as parents to help develop this aspect alongside us and we aim to use the following statements to encourage independence and ability to develop themselves.

**Some key aspects of Growth Mindset at pupil level**

- We remember it’s always OK to make mistakes – we learn from them. Mistakes are learning opportunities.
- We never give up! We try a different approach, or use a different strategy. Some things might take a little longer.
- We learn from each other – listen to feedback.
- We don’t compare ourselves with others but we do learn from others.
- We challenge ourselves – If it’s not challenging we’re not growing.
- We take risks – we don’t limit ourselves by taking the easy option
- We join in as much as possible – and we learn much more by being involved
- We remember that mastering something new feels so much better than doing something you can already do
- We remember that the brain is making new connections all the time – the only thing you need to know is that you can learn anything!

**Words That Encourage a Growth Mindset:**

1. Wow! ☺
2. Look at that!
3. Tell me about it.
4. Show me more.
5. How did you do that?
6. Let’s see what you did.
7. How do you feel about it?
8. How did you figure that out?
9. I see that you \_\_\_\_\_ (be specific)
10. That looks like it took a lot of effort.
11. How many ways did you try it before it turned out the way you wanted it?
12. What do you plan to do next?
13. That looks like it took so much work.
14. Are you pleased with what you did?

**Grow Your Mind-Set:**

“What did you struggle with today?” “This is hard,/this is fun, what should we do next?” “You can grow your intelligence” “You can learn. You can stretch. You can keep mastering new things.” “You don’t know the answer .... yet.”

<b><u>Important Dates</u></b>	
County Urdd Eisteddfod	1/4/17
End of Term	7/4/17
Staff Training	24/4/17
Start of Summer Term	25/4/17
Staff Training Day	5/6/17
<b>Please note due to the Easter Holidays there will be no Newsletter in April.</b>	

**Urdd Eisteddfod**

Well done to everyone who competed in the Urdd Eisteddfod at Ysgol y Creuddyn. The school won the shield for the most points again this year! Congratulations to the following pupils and all the best to those who came 1st or 2nd in the County Eisteddfod at Llanrwst.  
 Solo Yr 2 and under: 1st Evie Powell 2nd Ella Gaul 3rd Catrin Nellist; Recitation Yr 2 and under: 1st Harri Hughes 2nd Lily Mills. Learner Recitation Yr 2 and under: 1st Catrin Nellist 2nd Sara Williams; Folk Song 1st Erin Garner 2nd Thea Forbes 3rd Elan Hughes; Recitation Yr 3 & 4: 1st Mia Jones 2nd Erin Garner; Solo Yr 3 & 4: 1st Erin Garner 2nd Mia Jones; Recitation Yr 5 & 6: 1st Elan Hughes; Solo Yr 5 & 6; 1st Thea Forbes; Solo Party: 3rd Glanwydden; Cerdd Dant Solo: 2nd Thea Forbes 3rd Elan Hughes; Cerdd Dant Party: 1st Glanwydden; Learners Cerdd Dant Party: 2nd Ysgol Glanwydden. Guitar Solo: 1st Scott Morgan 2nd Sheldon Marzolo; Harp Solo: 1st Elan Hughes 2nd Ollie White.

**Activities**

Pupils have enjoyed various activities during the month:-  
 Yr 4 visited the Library in Penrhyn Bay and conducted a litter pick.  
 Reception Class went to Foel Farm.  
 Years 1 and 2 spent the day at Bodelwyddan Castle.

**Attendance**

As you are aware, the schools attendance target is over 95%. The top three performing classes during March were:-  
 Mrs Jones’ class 98.6% Mrs Southall -Jones’ class 94.5%; Mrs Cassidy’s class 94.0%.

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[www.ysgolglanwydden.co.uk](http://www.ysgolglanwydden.co.uk)

