

Annwyl Parents / Carers,

It's been a bit of a tough start to the week for many of you, recovering from the storms over the weekend. I hope by now you've got the power back on and things are getting back to normal. Thank you so much for your perseverance, and for being there to support the children despite the challenges.

That said, it's been an exciting week at Knelston as we've been preparing for the Christmas show! For those of you who were able to join us, I'm sure you were just as amazed as we were by the incredible performances. From beautiful singing and dancing to some impressive stunts, the children truly showcased their talent and creativity.



What stood out the most was the confidence with which the children performed. Seeing them so proud and excited to share their hard work with you was a true highlight. It's clear that they've put in a lot of effort, and it was wonderful to witness their joy and pride in performing.

We are so grateful to the staff for their dedication and to all of you for your continued support. The success of the show wouldn't have been possible without your involvement and encouragement.

Thank you once again for making this event so special. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did, and we look forward to many more celebrations of our children's achievements in the future!



J. G. Poynter

UNCRC Right of the Month	School Aim of the Month
 <p>Article 14: The right to follow your own religion</p>	 <p>"All different, all equal"</p>

Patrwm y Pythefnos - Welsh Patterns to share at home:



Ydy hi'n ...?

Is it ...?

Nag ydy, dydy hi ddim yn ... No, it is not...



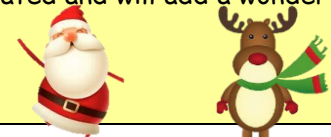
We are looking for children who can use these patterns (and others) in school

School Christmas Dinner

Just a quick reminder that the school Christmas dinner will take place on Wednesday, December 18th, 2024.

We're excited to share that we now have Christmas crackers, and a massive thank you to everyone who donated them to make the day extra special for the children. Your generosity is truly appreciated and will add a wonderful festive touch to the celebration!

Thank you again for helping us make this a memorable day for the children!



Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to everyone who supported Christmas Jumper Day—it was so lovely to see parents, grandparents, and friends joining in the fun and wearing their jumpers at the concerts yesterday. It really added to the festive atmosphere!

Just a quick reminder that while the official Christmas Jumper Day was on



Thursday, 12th December, I'm more than happy for the children to keep wearing their Christmas jumpers right up until the end of term if they'd like. Let's keep spreading the festive cheer!

Whoops a Daisy Angel

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the concerts yesterday—I hope you'll agree they were a huge success! The children were absolutely fantastic, both those on stage and in the choir.

A massive thank you as well to the staff for all their hard work in making the show such a success. I think Mrs. Osborn got it just right—not too long, not too short—and it all came together beautifully.

Of course, a big thank you goes to both audiences. Your enthusiasm and support created such a lovely atmosphere and really encouraged the children to shine.

I must also offer my apologies to the choir—I was told off for not giving them a proper thank-you during the afternoon performance. So, a very special mention goes to them in this newsletter for their incredible contributions to both shows. You were fantastic, and we are so proud of you!

Now for the fun part! We had a bit of friendly competition between the audiences to decide which group was the loudest. After much careful consideration, some consulting of VAR, and a touch of bravery, we've decided the winner is... the **Evening Audience!**

Thank you again for making the concerts so special for everyone involved. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the festive season together!



Christmas trips

Cinema Trip - Tuesday December 17th 2024

Here's a quick reminder about the trip! I believe everyone has signed up on Squid, so thank you for getting that sorted. Our pupils from Y2 to Y6 will be heading to the Taliesin Centre to see 'Home Alone'. Children will need to bring a packed lunch, as we'll be eating there. They're also welcome to bring a snack or some sweets to enjoy during the show.

Just a small request: please avoid hard or boiled sweets, and make sure the snacks are a sensible size that can fit into their pockets.



Father Christmas at The Oxwich Bay Hotel - Thursday December 19th 2024

Our pupils from Nurs to Y1 will be heading to The Oxwich Bay Hotel to take part in a Christmas experience and meet Father Christmas. I'm sure the children will have an amazing time!

Your thoughts.

As the new Headteacher, I'm really keen to hear your thoughts about Knelston and how we can continue to build on its success. If you haven't had a chance to complete our parent questionnaire yet, we'd greatly appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes to share your views.

Your feedback is invaluable in helping us understand what's working well and where we can improve. All responses are confidential and will be reviewed by our leadership team.

To complete the questionnaire, please scan the QR code or click the link provided. Thank you so much for your time and support—it truly makes a difference!



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The children's highlights of the week!
Wythnos yma!

Mrs Osborn's class REC/Y1/Y2	Mrs Porter's class Y3/4	Mr Donovan's class Y5/6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Measuring using standard and non-standard units ✓ Letter to Santa ✓ Sequenced the Nativity story ✓ Performed the Nativity play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Co-ordinates in maths ✓ Persuasive letter to MR Fox - naughty or good list ✓ RVE - How Jesus brought peace to the World. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Debate ✓ Properties of 2D shape ✓ Research and Poem on Cuthbert Taylor ✓ Christmas songs with Mr Smith

Finally...

As always, if you have queries, compliments, complaints, concerns or issues you would like to discuss please speak to a member of staff. If family or friends help with school runs, we'd love for you to share the weekly newsletter with them. Please also make sure we have your updated contact details so we can stay connected!

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Dymuniadau gorau,
J G Paquter
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Date	Activity	Additional Information
22.11.24	Menter Abertawe	Y2-6 Enrichment PE
28.11.24	PTA Christmas Market	4:30PM - 6:30PM
29.11.24	Menter Abertawe	Y2-6 Enrichment PE
06.12.24	Menter Abertawe	Y2-6 Enrichment PE
12.12.24	Christmas Concert	Years Nursery to Year 2 in the play, Years 3/4 Choir. Tickets live on Squid.
17.12.24	Y2-6	Home Alone Viewing at Taliesin - Offer on Squid
19.12.24	Nursery to Y1	Oxwich Bay Hotel to see Santa.
19.12.24	PTA Christmas Disco	3:30-5PM
21.12.24 - 07.01.25	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
06.01.2025	INSET	
07.01.2025	Children's first Day back	Topic Launch

INSET DAYS: Monday 6th January 2025, Monday 3rd March 2025, Monday 2nd June 2025, Monday 21st July 2025
WEEKLY EVENTS: Basil the Burns reading dog. Mr Smith - Music

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