Radnor Primary School Ysgol Gynradd Radnor
Newsletter 8
6th November 2026

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Dates for your Diary 2026-2027

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- Monday 23rd November – 10-12am Y6 Crucial Crew to Welsh Field Hospital
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- **Friday 27th November – INSET DAY 3 – School closed for children**
  Week beginning 30th November – Y6 Enterprising fortnight – week 1

Dates for your Diary 2026-2027 – Change of Date

Please be advised the date for the Year 4 and Year 5 Spring performance has changed and will now take place on Friday 9th April

Uniform Consultation Result



Thank you to everyone who participated in the uniform consultation.

The results from all stakeholders of the school – pupils, staff, parents/carers have been collated, and I can confirm from September 2027, the school uniform will remain Jade Green.

From the summer term, only uniform with the new logo will be available to purchase through our new uniform supplier – YC Sports. However, we will implement a **transition period of at least one full academic year**, during which both the current and new uniform may be worn alongside each other. This approach will allow families sufficient time to move to the new uniform in a way that is practical and affordable.

Whilst we are very excited about the opportunity to modernise and refresh our school uniform, we are equally committed to our values of sustainability.

Llongyfarchiadau! – Congratulations

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Dosbarth Enfys	**Dosbarth Coch**	**Dosbarth Oren**	**Dosbarth Melyn**	**Dosbarth Gwyrdd**	**Dosbarth Glas**	**Dosbarth Indigo**	**Dosbarth Fioled**
Lola	Margaux	Josie	Luisa	Eli	Bevan	Nadia	Anna T

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Fleur	Joan	Lincoln	Nyla	Elsie	Ada	Salma	Tuga

Year 5 Conflict Resolution Session

We would like to invite Year 5 parents and guardians to join us for a relaxed information session on **Friday 13th November, 9:15-10:30am**, in the Snug at school.

We will be sharing information about the recent Year 5 Peer Mediation workshops, exploring the conflict resolution strategies children have been learning, and providing resources and practical approaches to use in class, on the playground and outside of school.

Tea and coffee will be available. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parent/Carer Meetings with Teachers



Parent/Carer meetings are taking place on Monday 9th or Wednesday 11th November

For Dosbarth Enfys, Coch a Dosbarth Oren, meetings will take place in the main school hall.
For classes Dosbarth Melyn, Gwyrdd, Glas, Indiogo and Fioled, meetings will take place in Dosbarth Melyn.

Seats will be arranged in the corridors for you to view your child's books whilst you are waiting. Please ensure you arrive on time for your appointment as the teachers will be keeping to the scheduled times.

Meetings are approximately 8mins long from the start time and will not be able to extend past the finishing time.

Starting Primary School – Reception 2027

Applications open on 16th November 26 and close on 15th January 2027

Please see below confirmation of open sessions we will be hosting with visits to the school taking place between 9:30am and 11am and 1:30pm and 2:30pm.



- **Wednesday 11th November**
- **Wednesday 25th November**
- **Wednesday 9th December**
- **Wednesday 6th January**

Please share this information with friends and family in the community.

Ardangosfa'r Wythnos – Dosbarth Gywyrdd

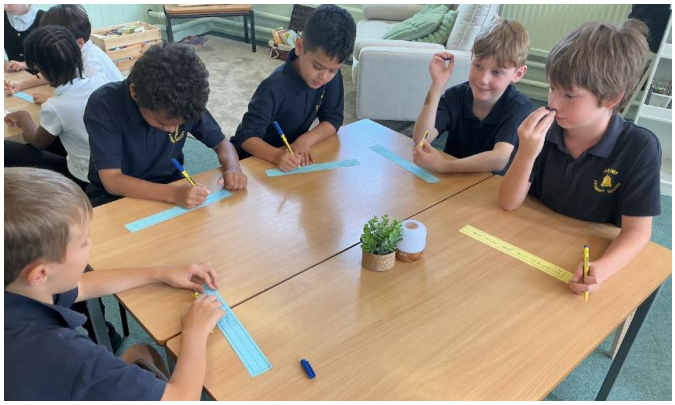
Mrs Balmforth



Have a look at what we have been up to this term



We started our year with the topic *Bounce Back and Shine*. We read the Book *Monty the Manatee* and considered what it means to be a good friend. We wrote the qualities of our friends on 'links' and joined them together to create a friendship chain.







We made friendship bracelets.













Glorious Gwyrdd Art



We created some class artwork inspired by the colour green and the shapes found under the sea from the illustrations in the book *Monty the Manatee.*





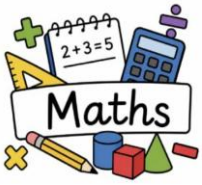
We experimented with creating different tones of green and then we each painted our own canvas. These were put together to create a collaborative piece of art for our classroom wall. We love the result.









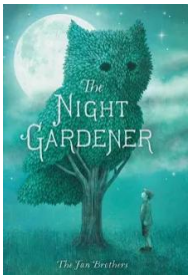


In maths we have been working on place value; partitioning, ordering and comparing numbers and using number lines. We have had fun playing games to develop our maths skills.









In literacy we have enjoyed reading the book *The Night Gardener*, using it as inspiration for writing our own setting descriptions. We have been developing our creative writing skills, thinking carefully about how to help the reader picture a place in our setting narratives.



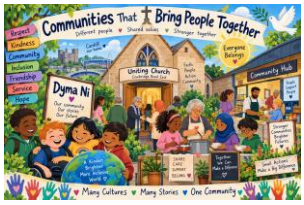




In indoor PE we have worked on footwork, jumping, landing and balancing skills.







Our new topic is Dyna Ni.

Museum of Us

We had great fun creating our very own *'Radnor Museum of Us'*! We each brought in a special item that represented us, sharing a little piece of our personality, interests and lives with others. Our classroom was transformed into fascinating museum exhibits, and we loved visiting Dosbarth Melyn to explore the collections, discover new things about our friends and celebrate what makes each of us unique.





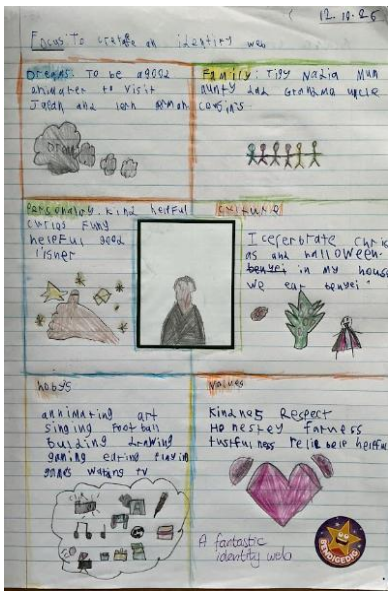


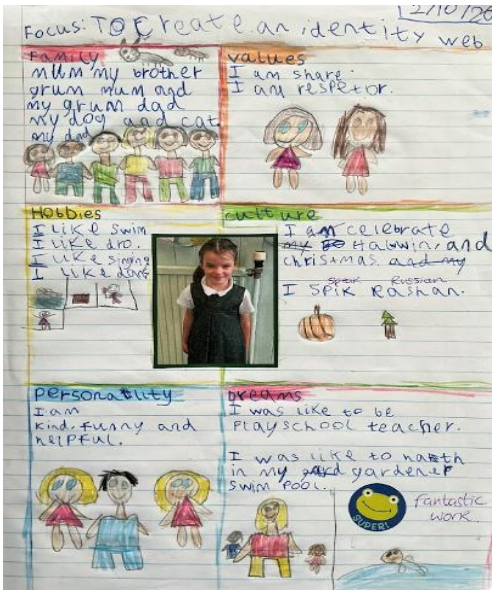




We have explored our own identities and what makes each of us unique. We thought about our names and shared stories about where they came from.

Then we designed our own identity webs. Here are some examples…



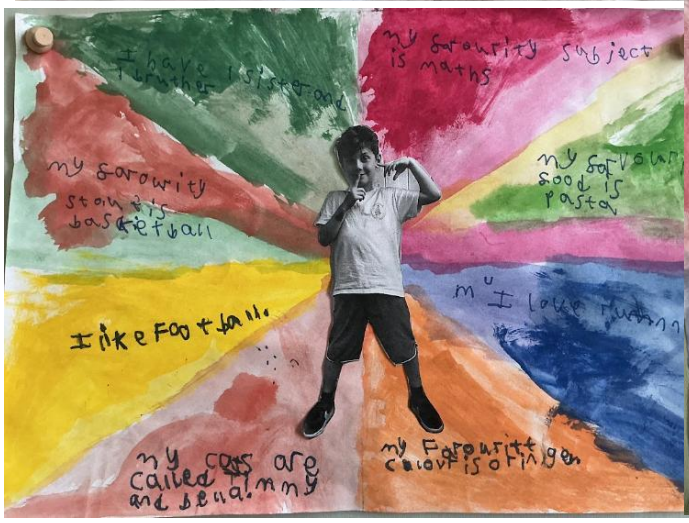




We have created some identity art showcasing what makes us unique.











We are beginning to think out the similarities and differences within our own classroom. We will then be exploring what makes up our local community and the diversity within it. We are looking forward to investigating!



Arddangosfa'r Wythnos – Dosbarth Glas



Mr Morgan

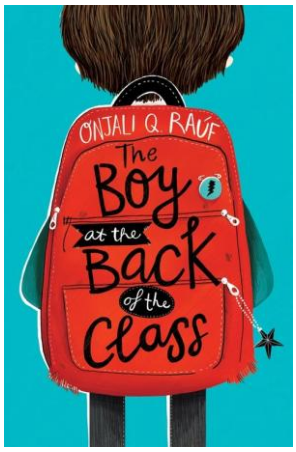
Dosbarth Glas

Together We Grow, Together We Glow

Dosbarth Glas have had a great start to the year so far and have thoroughly enjoyed working and learning together. We have learnt to collaborate in a variety of ways and we can certainly say we are already becoming a great team.

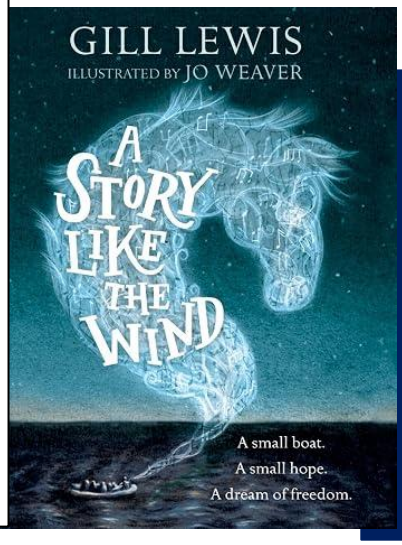
In this newsletter you'll find a taste of what we've been up to!

The development of writing skills in Dosbarth Glas has been outstanding already this year, the children have thoroughly engaged with our Ready Steady Write curriculum texts and are producing work of an excellent standard.



Told with heart and humour, The Boy at the Back of the Class is a child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness in a world that doesn't always make sense.

A beautifully illustrated story of freedom, music and seeking refuge.A small group of refugees is crowded on to a small boat on the sea.
One boy, Rami, has brought his violin. He tells a story of how the violin was invented, and of a stallion that could run like the wind. It weaves through the other stories, bringing them all together into a celebration of hope and of the power of music and story.



The first two texts we have explored are:
Boy at The Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf
&
A Story Like The Wind by Gill Lewis

The genre of writing we focussed on with Boy at the Back of the Class was journal writing – putting ourselves into the shoes of the person in the story who was experiencing life in a new country and school. The vocabulary used by pupils in this genre was particularly impressive.

Here are some excerpts of the work that we produced:

P1. I arrived at this new school. As I felt butterflies telling me I was going to have a sorrowful and lonely, sad and uncomfortable time. I felt alone- alone as if I were a tiny ant in the spotlight of the huge bustling crowded vast hall. I spotted someone smiling, a kind -hearted boy. I felt sensational. It heated up my heart, like the sun about to blow. A tiny ripple of hope began. Throughout the day I yearned for my homeland . Hearing some rumours spread like a fast moving wildfire which felt horrendous and horrible, down and depressed, as I was isolated alone.

At first people reacted in very different ways, the majority noticed nothing, making me feel more invisible than the cleanest glass. some glared at my half-torn down bag and took their eyes off it immediately - this gave me explosions of embarrassment. I thought of my cozy,familiar homeland - one I might never see again. I felt terrified,greatly terrified, almost as terrified as the humour-sucking day we escaped.

Later rumours were being spread as quick as a wild horse galloping at full speed. Like a whip of embarrassment, I felt like I didn't belong. Shy and embarrassed, worried and hopeless, I let myself be laughed at. Some said I was a mean child expelled from another school. Others claimed that I was a spy trying to hack the school. I feel misunderstood instead of understood. How can people believe such things?

Later that day, people were working in groups of pairs for classwork, it felt like I was a ghost. In the playground I tripped over my shoelaces, I immediately felt my face turn red and a burst of laughter wrapped around me like a suffocating cloud. But then a kind-hearted boy came over and helped me up. a glimmer of hope and my tight knots of fear untangled slightly.

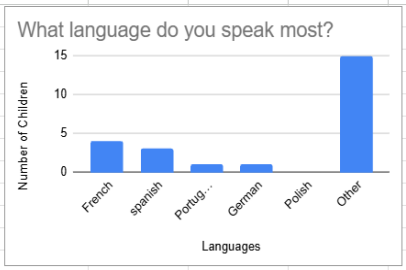
I am feeling confused. Do I like this place or not? It feels a bit more welcoming than it used to be. Has school changed or is it just me? I wonder if the world is really respectful to refugees? I feel like I belong to this place now because they aren't judging me any more. It's a huge relief. People have asked me to be my friend. I'm not shy any longer! These things have untied big knots in my stomach. Worries have been haunting me, but no longer!

In maths this term we have focussed on a variety of mathematical concepts already including:

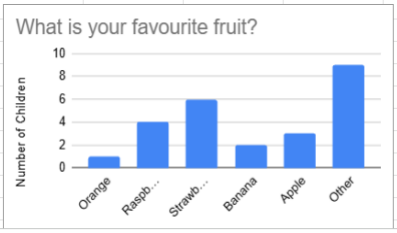
Place Value, Comparing and Ordering Numbers, Rounding and Negative Numbers.

We also worked hard to use numeracy skills across the curriculum within our Dyma Ni topic. One example of this collecting data about each other and recording in spreadsheets to create graphs.

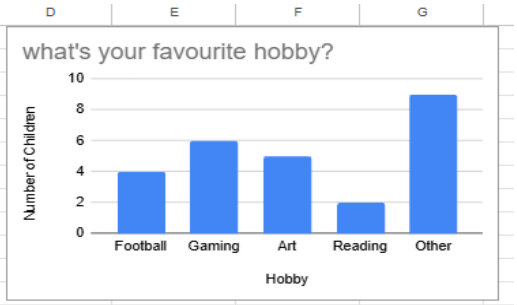
Question 1 (Anya)	lanaguages	Number of Children
What language do you speak most ?	French	4
	spanish	3
	Portuguese	1
	German	1
	Polish	0
	Other	15



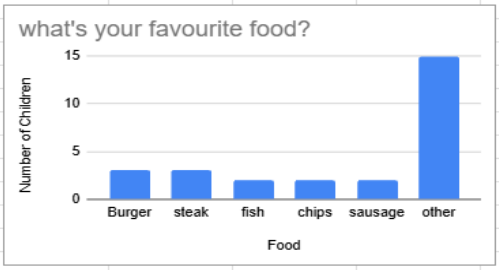
Question 2 (Lucia)	Fruit	Number of Children
What is your favourite fruit?	Orange	1
	Raspberry	4
	Strawberry	6
	Banana	2
	Apple	3
	Other	9



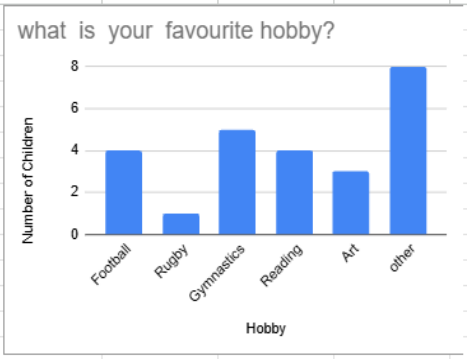
Question 1 (Dennis)	Hobby	Number of Children
What is your favourite hobby?	Football	4
	Gaming	6
	Art	5
	Reading	2
	Other	9



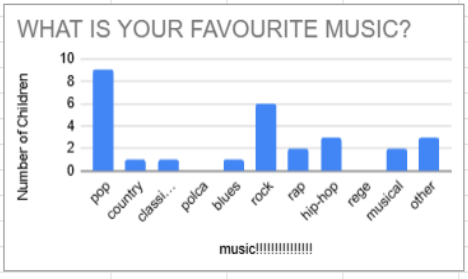
Question 2 (Warsame)	Food	Number of Children
what is your favourite food ?	Burger	3
	steak	3
	fish	2
	chips	2
	sausage	2
	other	15



Question 1 - ADA	Hobby	number of children
What is your favourite hobby?	Football	4
	Rugby	1
	Gymnastics	5
	Reading	4
	Art	3
	other	8



Question 2 - MAX	music	number of children
WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE MUSIC?	pop	9
	country	1
	classical	1
	polca	0
	blues	1
	rock	6
	rap	2
	hip-hop	3
	rege	0
	musical	2
	other	3



We have loved our topic Dyma Ni this term and have enjoyed learning all about each other and what makes us similar and also celebrating the differences that make us all a unique part of the Dosbarth Glas puzzle!

On particular highlight was our ‘Museum of Us’ where we shared our items with members of other classes.









We have also thoroughly enjoyed PE lessons this year and have worked on a whole host of skills so far all of which are helping to build our resilience, teamwork, communication and confidence!

Here are some snapshots of our PE lessons in action…



















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- Friday 4th December – Bike Bus 6
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- Thursday 10th December – 2pm Dosbarth Coch and Oren Christmas Performance
  Week beginning 7th December – Y6 Enterprising fortnight – week 2
- Week Beginning 14th December – After School Clubs Finish
- Tuesday 15th December – Y6 Enterprise sale for children
- Wednesday 16th December 2pm Dosbarth Melyn Christmas Showcase
- Thursday 17th December 10:30am – Radnor Arc (SRB) Christmas Showcase
- Friday 18th December – Bike Bus 7 Christmas Bling your ride.
- **Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January – CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

JANUARY

- **Monday 4th January 2026 – INSET DAY 4 – School closed for children**
- **Tuesday 5th January - Children return to school**
- Wednesday 6th January Reception 2027 Open sessions. Visits to the school between 9:30am and 11am and 1:30pm and 2:30pm
- Monday 11th January – Friday 15th January Y2 Personalised Assessments in Reading and Mathematics
- Thursday 21st January – 6pm Booking system opens for After School Clubs
- Thursday 28th January – 6pm Booking system closes for After School Clubs

FEBRUARY

- Monday 1st February to Friday 5th February – Showcases – Parents/carers invited into Classrooms

	Monday 1st February	**Tuesday 2nd February**	**Wednesday 3rd February**	**Thursday 4th February**	**Friday 5th February**
9:30 – 10:15		Dosbarth Oren	Dosbarth Enfys	Dosbarth Fioled	Dosbarth Glas
2:15 – 3:00	Dosbarth Coch	Dosbarth Melyn	Dosbarth Gwyrdd		Dosbarth Indigo

- **Monday 8th – Friday 12th February –HALF TERM**
- **Monday 15th February - Children return to school.**
- Week Beginning 22nd February - After School Clubs start on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 8 weeks.
- Wednesday 24th February– Booking system opens for Parent/Carer Meetings

MARCH:

- Thursday 4th March – World Book Day
- Monday 8th March – Wednesday 10th March -Y6 Residential to Llangrannog
- Tuesday 9th March– Booking system closes for Parent/Carer Meetings
- Monday 15th March & Wednesday 17th March – Parent/Carer Meetings with teachers
- **Monday 22nd March to Friday 2nd April – Half Term**

APRIL

- **Monday 5th April - Children return to school.**
- **Friday 9th April – Year 4 and Year 5 Spring Performance**
- Wednesday 14th April to – Friday 16th April – Y4 Residential to Atlantic College
- Monday 19th April to Friday 23rd April – Showcases – Parents/carers invited into Classrooms

	Monday 19th April	**Tuesday 20th April**	**Wednesday 21st April**	**Thursday 22nd April**	**Friday 23rd April**
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2:15 – 3:00	Dosbarth Coch	Dosbarth Melyn	Dosbarth Gwyrdd		Dosbarth Indigo

- Week Beginning 26th April - After School Clubs Finish
- **Friday 30th April – INSET Day 5 – School closed for children.**

MAY

- **Monday 3rd May – BANK HOLIDAY**
- Wednesday 19th May – Sports Day at Thompson Park. Dosbarth Melyn, Gwyrdd, Glas, Indigo and Fioled am. Dosbarth Enfys, Coch and Oren pm
- **Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June – HALF TERM**

JUNE

Monday 7th June - Children return to school

- Week Beginning 7th June - After School Clubs start on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 5 weeks.
- Monday 7th June – Thursday 24th June Personalised Assessments in Y2-Y6
- Wednesday 16th June – 9:30am Reception 2027 Information Session for parents/carers
- **Friday 25th June – INSET Day 6 – School closed for children**
- Friday 25th June – Afternoon stay and play sessions for Reception 2027 children.
- Wednesday 23rd June – Reserve Sports Day at Thompson Park

JULY

- Week Beginning 5th July - After School Clubs Finish
- Friday 9th July – End of year reports shared with parents/carers
- Wednesday 14th July and Monday 19th July– Teachers available to meet parents/carers to discuss end of year reports
- Thursday 15th July – 1:45pm Year 6 Leavers Performance