



<u>Spring Term 28/2/20</u>



BOOK DAY

Yes we are celebrating book day but not on March 5th. Ours will be on March 13th. We will send out the book vouchers before then to ensure you get your free / cheap book. When you use your voucher please can you let your child bring that book into school to show so that we can show other children of the value of this voucher.

Book day for us will take place on March 13th because we have spent this week on the eisteddford, next week we have a whole school council day so our first opportunity is that day.

As a staff we have talked about what we will do to celebrate books. We feel that the purpose of book day needs to be refreshed to ensure it doesn't become a world dress up day! The purpose of the day is to enjoy the value of books and getting children reading. So here is our plan

- every class has a class reading / story session at the end of the day with their class teacher. It is something we know is important for children so we have been doing it for a long time.
- your children will have a choice about how they celebrate the day in class with their friends
- the teacher will be letting you know the name of the book and how that class will be celebrating the day.
- The theme of the day will be around their class book, so the children will have a choice of dressing up, making masks, face painting, making posters, bringing in items related to the book etc. You can talk about this with your child to see what they want to bring in that day.

Class teachers will send home more information closer to the day so you know what the class are doing.

We will also have a whole school get together to share our stories and photos will also be posted onto Twitter.

Any problems? Let us know to ensure we have thought of everything.

Parents Have Your Say

It was surprising to see that nobody turned up for this, but we do also feel that this is a positive not a negative. We believe it shows that parents are happy with what is going on at school at the moment. That's good news. If there is anyone who was unable to attend and wanted to share something with us please send us a note so it can be addressed. Happy days!

Reading Books

We all know how important reading is. Your children can only improve if together we help them and listen to them reading so we can teach them new reading tricks. This is why we send books home so the children learn both in school and at home. Lots of our books are not coming back to school so PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE can you make sure your child brings their reading book to school so that staff can help them lots too. We are also running low on our stock.

Letters to parents

Easter Raffle

We are doing something a little different in school this year for Easter. More details will follow soon but if you can please could you donate an Easter egg ready for our whole school raffle please. The children thoroughly enjoy this on the last day of school before we break up for holidays. As you know, it came to light that some children were choosing not to give their parents letters for some reason! In future, letters may be sent home via text so please keep an eye on what comes out to you. We won't need to do it all the time but it may help resolve the problem of you not seeing messages from school.

Diary Dates	
Feb 28th	School eisteddford
March 16th	Parent meetings with teachers to discuss progress 2.30 - 5pm
March 17th	Parent meetings with teacher to discuss progress 2.30 - 5pm
March 17th	Year 5s Ysgol Cwm Brombil - creativity day
March 26th	Photographer in school
March 27th	Mrs Fry's class - visit from Warburtons
April 3rd	Easter bonnet parade Last day of term
April 20th	Back to school
April 21st	National tests for years 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
May 25th	Half term week
June 1st	Back to school
June 16th	Year 6 eyeholes Cwm Brombil
June 26th	Year 6 - Margam Park - Maths with Ysgol Cwm Brombil
July 3rd	Year 6 Ysgol Cwm Brombil
July 17th	Last day for children
July 20th	INSET day for staff