



# YSGOL Y WAUN – NEWSLETTER

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## CRIW CYMRAEG WEEKLY UPDATE!

**New Welsh Phrase this week; “Ga i.... ?” – “Can I have....?”**

**We are learning about the benefits of learning Welsh.**

**This week we are also finding out facts about Sir Tom Jones please can the children bring in their facts or CD's you may have for the school to look at. Diolch!**

### Absences

May I please remind parents that all absences (illness, appointments, special circumstances etc) need to be phoned through to the school on **01691 770530 (option 1 for Chapel Lane absences and option 3 for Lloyds Lane absences) before 9.00 a.m.** and a message left giving details of the reason for absence to enable us to keep an accurate and up to date record on our Registration System. **In order to help stop the spread of nasty tummy bugs please note children should remain off school for 48 hours following their last bout of either sickness or tummy upset .Thank you!**

### School Meals

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February our school meals menu will be celebrating **‘2019 the Year of the Pig’** with a Chinese themed menu. This will include chicken savoury rice or Chinese banquet and chips, followed by orange sorbet and shortbread biscuit.

### Nant BH Residential– YEAR 5 – 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Our Year 5 Nant BH residential trip takes place in just over a week! Please could we remind parents that the remainder of the Nant BH money should be paid by **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February.** Thank you

### Early Years Childcare Information Session

Chirk Playgroup will be holding an information session for parents of children who turn 3 before 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Members of Wrexham’s Early Entitlement team will also be available to talk to regarding parents’ entitlement to free childcare. The meeting will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 9 am. Please contact Chirk Playgroup for more details!

### Local MP Susan Ellan Jones Visits Ysgol Y Waun

We were honoured to receive a visit from Susan Ellan Jones this week, member of parliament serving the Clwyd South region. School Councillors in years 3-6 were able to share what they liked about school and also to ask questions about her role as an MP serving in our local area! See website for a picture!

### Fantastic News

We would like to thank Mrs Jodie James (parent of Ella and Theo) for making us aware of grant funding possibilities provided by MBNA bank in Chester. We were able to put together a comprehensive plan to upgrade our computers on both our school sites. Mrs James has confirmed that our funding request has been successful and we are now planning a full ICT upgrade on Chapel Lane and further ICT developments at Lloyds Lane. We have received a **staggering £24,000** which will be put to very good use – ensuring that our pupils benefit from using brand new laptops, computers and chromebooks across the school! **THANKYOU!!**

### **Dogs Trust Workshops**

The Dogs Trust visited Chapel Lane this week to talk to the children about keeping safe around dogs. The children really enjoyed their assembly.

Further 'Dog Smart' sessions aimed at junior aged pupils are to follow next month.

**Wrexham Communities for Work** now have a weekly Job Club/Drop In at **Chirk Library**, every Monday from 1pm until 3pm. Where the following support can be offered:

- Help with CVs and job searches.
- Advice and support on accessing training.
- Basic support to use I.T. if needed.
- Assistance with Universal Credit claims.

They will also be running the following :

<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>	-	<b>British Sign Language Taster Course</b>	-	<b>1pm - 3pm</b>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>	-	<b>Introduction to Hair Braiding</b>	-	<b>1pm – 3pm</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	<b>Introduction to Face Painting</b>	-	<b>1pm – 3pm</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	<b>Mother's Day Crafts</b>	-	<b>1pm – 3pm</b>

These sessions are free to anyone who wishes to attend, **please book via Maxine/Juliet 01978 820520 or [Maxine.bithell@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:Maxine.bithell@wrexham.gov.uk)**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES!**

- **Mon 4<sup>th</sup> February** – Year 6 trip to Dangerpoint.
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Fri 15<sup>th</sup> February** Year 5 Nant BH Residential visit.
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – St David's Celebration Day.** Children may come to school either in traditional Welsh costume or dressed in the colours of the Welsh flag (red, green & white).
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – school closes for half term and re-opens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March**
- **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day** – children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character.