

Literacy, Language and Communication

The text we will focus on this half term is 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark'. We will be learning how to structure a story and describe a character within our story. We will also move on to writing a non-fiction text based on this story, too.

We will complete phonics sessions daily working on phase 3,4 and 5 sounds. Handwriting is practised weekly during rotations.

Groups participate in weekly guided reading sessions to develop comprehension skills and understanding of what has been read.

Cymraeg

We will be learning how to speak in the first person and describing ourselves. We will be writing in the first person and developing our oracy during amser drilio.

We will complete rotations of Tric a Chlic every week to familiarise ourselves with 'Yr Wyddor' and letter sounds. We will become more confident sounding out Welsh words we are

Expressive Art

During the autumn term, we will look at painting a self-portrait and revisit this at the end of term. We will take part in a project with the Arts Council Wales developing stories and freeze frames for our twelve school values. We will also use freeze frames to capture feelings through the body. Children will have opportunities for craft and will take part in the Christmas Nativity in December.

Dosbarth Willow - Year 1/2

Autumn 2025 Newsletter

Our big question this term is 'Why is it important for everyone to be different?'. In Dosbarth Willow, we will look at ourselves and how we are special, other people around the world and how they differ to us in their culture and society. We will look at ourselves at home in our community as well as learning about people who can help us.

Our Values this term are Perseverance and Trust.

R.V.E

This term our focus is on the sub-lense 'Identity and Belonging'. We will be exploring our own and other identities and looking at how people are similar and different. We will look at ourselves in our communities and how we belong.

Health and Well-being

Wednesdays are 'Well-being Wednesdays'. Pupils can come dressed in P.E kit and take part in well-being activities through literacy, numeracy, and P.E sessions.

Year 2 will have P.E on Tuesday and Year 1 will be on a Wednesday. We will continue our work on rights and visit specific topics through Think Equal. We will look at healthy eating and keeping physically and mentally healthy.

Children can wear P.E kits on a Wednesday as part of 'Well-being Wednesday.'

Numeracy

We will focus on the following topics that will be taught with support of manipulative and concrete materials. Lessons will also include reasoning and problem-solving approached.

- ◇ Place value
- ◇ Addition and subtraction
- ◇ Months of the year and days of the week
- ◇ Shape

Numeracy will be used through all areas of learning and enhanced in our continuous provision.

Science and Technology

In Science, we will be looking at the body and what different parts of the body do. We will visit the five senses as well as looking at how to keep our bodies healthy by eating a balanced diet and exercising regularly.

We will look at jobs that look after our body and how people help us to stay healthy. Children will start to log into Hwb independently. We will use JIT during lessons to make charts and to draw and write about ourselves.

Humanities

We will be looking at our community and Cynefin and the different jobs that make up our world. We will gain an understanding of some of our responsibilities as citizens of Wales and the wider world. We will look at what belonging is and understand that we can make choices individually and collectively in society and the world.