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On Friday afternoon, 17 January, year 6 pupils went to Ysgol Dyffryn Dulas to have a session with Meilir Emrys. The children prepared their own commentary after listening to Meilir Emrys talking about his work.





It was the NSPCC Number Day on Friday, 7 February. Pupils took part in the day by wearing clothing that included numbers, patterns or spots. During the day, the teachers had prepared a variety of number activities.













We have been doing work on Santes Dwynwen, freezing water and the weather as our theme this half term. We have been doing many science activities and experiments and have been learning about absorbing. We have learnt that kitchen roll paper is absorbing water and that we can see through the paper after it has absorbed the water. After learning about absorbing, we wanted to do a fair test to discover which material would be the best to help us in the painting area in the classroom. At times, there is so much paint and water in the area. Our class target is to work tidy and tidy up after we have completed our task.

Written by Amy, Robin, Arrow a Jack.

INTERNET SAFETY

We have been doing work on Internet Safety recently. We are continuing to learn how to be happy and safe on the web. There is a dog called Buddy Be Careful Online living at Ysgol Pennal. Buddy has been reminding us of the web safety song. We have used the ChatterPix app to make an advertisement to tell our friends how to be safe on the iPad.

Ask an adult. Ask an adult. Can I have help? Can I have help? Careful on the iPad! Careful on the iPad! Wff! Wff! Wff! Wff! Wff! Don't click 'download', don't click 'videos' without asking me, without asking me! Only talk to friends, talk to friends. Wff! Wff! Wff! Wff! Wff! Written by Riley, Harry and Zephyr.





Since the start of the term, year 2-6 pupils from Ysgol Dyffryn Dulas and Ysgol Pennal have been going swimming and to gymnastic sessions at Machynlleth Leisure Centre every Wednesday. We have enjoyed playing games and creating shape sequences in our gymnastics sessions. We love Wednesday mornings when we get to work our bodies hard and have a lot of fun doing so! Written by Tau, Tomos, lestyn and Bleddyn

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SANTES DWYNWEN

We made Wales' lovers heart sandwiches to celebrate St. Dwynwen's day. Everyone in the school enjoyed the story on the Mabinogi-ogi programme. The story was funny! When making the sandwich, we were learning that a fraction is part of, half, one part of two, cut it in half and what symmetrical means.

Written by Silyn, Llewyn, Emilia and Ayda.

Year 6 children went to Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn to see a show 'Taith yr laith' with the famous actor Llion Williams on the last Friday morning of January. They learnt about the history of our language, its development from the Brythonic Language, through the Act of Union 1536, the notorious Welsh Not to recent efforts to protect it. Two from Ysgol Pennal went on stage to wave Cymdeithas yr laith banners. Everyone enjoyed the performance and learnt - and laughed - a lot. Year 6 returned to school with a new-found pride in their ability to speak the language.







On Thursday 30 January and Thursday 6 February, Gethin Thomas came to do drumming with us. He was very musical and talented, and we have learnt about rhythm in a fun way! He had all types of drums, and we were able to use buckets to practice. We played the Samba and really enjoyed, thank you Mr T!

Written by Nia, Jack, Pearl, Talitiu and Leafin



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Following the success of the two transition days to date, year 6 pupils had another transition day to Ysgol Bro Hyddgen in February. A Technology and IT Workshop was held on Thursday 6 February. The pupils had an exciting experience at Ysgol Bro Hyddgen's Technology and IT departments. This day was a great opportunity for the pupils to familiarise themselves with the school, the teachers and other pupils in the same year. The workshop included different elements such as robot programming to do a variety of different things, design a face for the robot and create it using the laser cutter and the CAMM1 machine (stickers).



Year 6 pupils went to work with Ysgol Dyffryn Dulas pupils on Friday morning, 7 February. Manon Steffan Ros came to hold a story writing workshop with the pupils.









Thank you very much to Natalie and Tedi Spectrum for speaking to us via TEAMS to teach us what a 'relationship' means. We made a relationship chain to help us understand what a 'relationship' is. We have written words such as mum, dad, grandma, grandpa, Ysgol Pennal staff, brother, sister, friends, dog, cat on our relationship chain. We have learnt 'healthy relationship' words such as happy, nice, safe, comfortable and relationship words that are 'unhealthy' such as hard, cold, painful, sad, heartbroken, provoking. Natalie and Tedi Spectrum have helped us to also create a supporting hand to help us to remember the names of people who can help us where a relationship is unhealthy, our full name and our address, when we are ready. Written by Amy, Ayda, Silyn, Jack and Riley.

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During the last few weeks, Year 5 and 6 pupils have been attending workshops at Ysgol Penybryn Tywyn with Year 5 and 6 pupils from the catchment area. This is part of a project called 'Tirwedd' that has been led by Cwmni'r Fran Wen and dance and art artists. This project has been organised as a grant application was successful to support pupils to become confident Welsh speakers. Also, pupils have been celebrating bilingualism and Welsh speakers.







Last Friday before half term, Year 5 and 6 pupils were part of a parade to celebrate St Davids Day. This was held on the promenade in Tywyn. The parade was the finale of the Tirwedd project that local schools have been part of. Everyone was welcomed to be part of the parade and watch the work that the pupils had prepared during the workshops. Pupils had a disco at the end and a celebration following the parade.





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Older children have decided to help the younger children with their reading once a week. This is an opportunity for us to help them with their reading, make friends and help them to improve their Welsh speaking. Being kind is important and we like to take time to help each other.

Written by Melys, Harry and Curig.



On Monday afternoon, 17th of February, Phil from Plastic Free Aberdyfi came to school. Year 3-6 pupils presented a cheque to Phil. Thanks to 7-11 class for raising money during Autumn Term doing the sponsored skip challenge. Plastic Free Aberdyfi will be using the money to buy more tools to collect rubbish and to buy reusable water bottles to sell in the shops in Aberdyfi.





