

BEDLINOG NEWS

SPRING EDITION 2026 - 2

A MESSAGE FROM MR. MORGAN

A very warm welcome back to all our pupils and families. We hope you enjoyed a restful February half-term break and that everyone is feeling refreshed and ready for the busy and exciting weeks ahead.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you once again for your continued support of our school and for your kind words since announcing my departure. Your messages have meant a great deal to me. As a reminder, I will be leaving Bedlinog CP School next term, with my final day being Thursday 30th April. The Governing Body has already begun the process of recruiting a new Headteacher, and further updates will be shared with you in due course.

As we begin this short but purposeful half-term, there is plenty to look forward to. Each class will be diving into new learning themes, giving pupils the chance to explore fresh ideas, follow their interests, and help shape their learning journey. These themes will be shared with you shortly, and if you are able to contribute in any way, we would be delighted to hear from you – our families play an important role in enriching our curriculum.

All upcoming dates and events for this half-term can be found on the back of this letter and in the 'Calendar' section of the school app. Please check regularly, as details may occasionally change.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we move into this next chapter of the school year.

Mr. Morgan

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Article 8, UNCRC



YOUNG VOICES 2026

In January, a group of our pupils had the incredible opportunity to take part in the Young Voices 2026 Children's Choir at the Resorts World Arena in Birmingham. This event is one of the largest school choir gatherings in the world, and our pupils were thrilled to be part of such an inspiring and energetic performance.

After weeks of rehearsals, the excitement truly set in as the children travelled to Birmingham and joined thousands of other young singers from across the UK. The atmosphere inside the arena was electric. Surrounded by professional musicians, dancers, and conductors, our pupils sang their hearts out and represented our school with pride, enthusiasm, and confidence.

We would like to thank the staff who supported the choir throughout the rehearsals and on the day itself, as well as the families who helped make this memorable experience. It was a day our pupils will remember for a very long time.



DIOLCH MERTHYR TYDFIL HOUSING ASSOCIATION

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Merthyr Tydfil Housing Association for their incredibly kind donation of £300.00. This generous support will enable us to run the joint Eisteddfod at Bedlinog this year, helping us cover the cost of competition materials and prizes for our winners.

Thanks to this donation, we are also delighted that all pupils will be able to enjoy Welsh cakes during the event – a lovely treat to help celebrate this special occasion. We are truly grateful for your continued support of our school community. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- If there are any changes in your personal contact information, or information regarding your child please let the office know.
- If your child is absent from school please let the office know on 01685 351823 or via the school app using the absence form.



SPRING TERM 2026 DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

- w/c 23rd – Children's Mental Health Week
- Fri 27th – School Eisteddfod

MARCH

- Mon 2nd – No Outsiders Day
- Tues 3rd – TBLP Eisteddfod @ Bedlinog (Y3 – Y6)
- Weds 5th – World Book Day
- Fri 6th – The Number Hub, 9:00 – 10:00
- w/c 9th – Learn with Me (See info on previous page)
- Tues 10th – School Photographer – Individual and Siblings
- Weds 11th – Fri 13th – Y6 Cluster Residential Trip
- Fri 20th – Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)
- Tues 24th – Health Drop Ins – 8:45 – 9:45
- Tues 24th – D. Glas – Coding Challenge @ Trelewis Primary
- Fri 27th – INSET Day

EASTER HOLIDAYS

30TH MARCH – 10TH APRIL 2026

LEARN WITH ME

We will again be running our after school parent engagement sessions 'Learn with Me' this term. These are a great opportunity to come in to school and work with your child on a learning activity to support you better at home. Sessions run from 15:30 – 16:15 at the school and dates for the classes are below:-

- **Dosbarth Coch** – Wednesday 11th March
- **Dosbarth Melyn** – Tuesday 10th March
- **Dosbarth Gwyrdd** – POSTPONED
- **Dosbarth Glas** – Monday 9th March



An invitation for the sessions will be sent to you via the school app. Please ensure you book your session ahead of the day as we are unable to take Parent/Carers who turn up on the day due to resources.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

We were really pleased that for Autumn Term Bedlinog was ranked as #2 out of Merthyr Schools for best attendance. Da iawn!

Our attendance target this year is 95%. Please help us achieve our target this year by making sure your child is at school as regularly as possible!

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

During the week beginning 23rd February, our school will be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week, focusing on helping pupils understand their feelings and develop healthy ways to look after their wellbeing. Classes will take part in simple activities such as mindfulness, creative tasks, and discussions about emotions and resilience.

How Families Can Help at Home

Supporting children's mental health doesn't need to be complicated. Small, everyday actions make a big difference:

- Encourage children to talk about their feelings
- Make time for calm moments together
- Praise effort and perseverance
- Keep routines steady
- Spend time together doing simple activities
- Model healthy ways of coping with stress



OTHER NEWS & UPDATES...

- INSET will take place on Friday 27th March. School will be closed to pupils on this day.
- A reminder that there will now be 2 INSET days at the end of the Summer Term – Thursday 16th and Friday 17th July.
- Please note our school office is closed between 12:30 and 13:00. If you need to collect your child or contact the office over a lunchtime please ensure it is outside of these times.
- School Water bottles should only be used for water. A reminder squash and juices are not allowed.



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