

HENDREFOILAN PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Hendrefoilan Newsletter

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new school year at Hendrefoilan. It was a busy, fun first week back. The staff and I are very happy and this will be an amazing year at Hendrefoilan.



School Priorities

- To address the inconsistencies in teaching in foundation learning classes
- To develop pupils as independent learners
- To improve opportunities for pupils to apply their numeracy skills in their work across the curriculum

Improvements

The staff have worked creatively to improve areas of learning in their classrooms. The pupils call these areas Missions. Resources are bright, colourful, clean and clearly labelled.

Missions and Learning Areas





New Reading Scheme and Library

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Wisby used the proceeds of Hendrefest to buy a new Oxford Reading Tree (ORT) reading scheme. Mrs Wisby is an expert in children's literacy and she has nearly finished developing a new library. Pupils from Nursery upwards will begin using the new ORT books soon.



Cath Delve – INSET Days

This week, the school is employing Mrs Cath Delve, an Educational Consultant, to work with us to further address the inconsistencies in teaching in foundation learning classes and develop pupils as independent learners. She is having a look around on Wednesday and as you know, the school is closed for pupils on Thursday 12th September for training purposes.

We are very sorry for any inconvenience this may cause – we could not get Cath on a more convenient day.

Netball

Y5 and Y6 - Every Tuesday during term times until 4.15 pm. Pupils will be required to take part in a general warm up and netball related activities. Mrs Field is the Coach. Please can they wear suitable sports kits, bring a water bottle, have their hair tied back (if necessary) and no jewellery/cover studs if they cannot be taken out. [Netball Club Consent Form \(Y5 and Y6\)](#)

Y3 and Y4 - Every Friday during term times until 4.15 pm. Pupils will be required to take part in a general warm up and netball related activities. Mrs Field is the Coach. Please can they wear suitable sports kits, bring a water bottle, have their hair tied back (if necessary) and no jewellery/cover studs if they cannot be taken out. [Netball Club Consent Form \(Y3 and Y4\)](#)

Football

Every Wednesday during term times until 4.15 pm (starting Wednesday 11th September). Pupils will be required to take part in a general warm up and football related activities. Mr Jones, Mr Waddell and Mr Munoz are the Coaches. Please can pupils wear suitable sports kits and bring a water bottle. We are actively recruiting girls to join our football training sessions and there will be differentiated coaching if needed. [Football Club \(Y5 and Y6\)](#)

Choir

Every Thursday during term times until 4.15 pm. Starting, Thursday September 19th 2024. Pupils will be required to take part in a general singing related activities. Miss De Vall is the Leader. [Choir Consent Form \(Yrs 2 - 6\)](#)

Higher Maths (Y6)

Y6 Maths Club - Wednesdays (8 to 8.50am) starting Wednesday 11th September 2024. The Maths Club is a weekly meeting focused on providing students with a deeper understanding of mathematics. Each meeting will concentrate on one specific subject, providing a review of the key concepts and progressing to more challenging problems. The club will also aim at preparing the students for the mathematical competitions from the UK Maths Trust. The club is open for any pupil in Y6. However, it is expected that students possess a good comprehension of subjects already taught, as the focus will be on more challenging and advanced problems. [Maths Club Consent Form](#)

Mums Vs Mums Netball Training

Hendrefoilan runs a Mums Vs Mums Netball Club. Training takes place on Thursdays 7 – 8pm at Olchfa Sports' Hall. All ages and abilities are welcomed, although younger players must be able to play netball to a high/adult standard.

Music Tuition

Hendrefoilan offers private music tuition in a range of instruments. Mrs Colborne teaches violin and Mr Southgate teaches a wide range of woodwind, brass, string, percussion instruments and piano. If you are interested in prices etc... please contact the school office for more details.

Many thanks,
Mrs Field
Pennaeth, Ysgol Gynradd Hendrefoelan
Headteacher, Hendrefoilan Primary School



Dates

Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th September (INSET) – Cath Delve

Monday 16th September – Cycling Proficiency

Tuesday 24th September – Staff and pupil individual photos

Tuesday 15th October – Flu Nasal Spray

Tuesday 22nd October – Fire Service Y2 and Y5

Monday 28th to Friday 1st October – Half Term.

Sunday 15th December – Christmas Carol Concert at St Hilarys

INSET Days

Thursday 12th September

Friday 20th December

Monday 6th January

(tbc)

