

School Christmas Tree

Thank you to Will Jones from Leighton Woods for kindly donating a Christmas tree to school. This has been planted in the outdoor area (by the gate) for all children to see as they come into school. As the tree is rooted, it should last many years.

Criw Cymraeg

The Criw have restarted their weekly assembly, delivered to each class via Teams. Mae'r tedi yn mynd i Ddosbarth Collen yr wythnos yma. Seren y Wythnos oedd Robert yn Dosbarth Bedwen, Lucy D yn Dosbarth Collen a George yn Dosbarth Ysgawen. Llonyfarchiadau i bawb!

Christmas Dinner

All pupils will join together for Christmas lunch next Thursday, 3rd December. (within their bubbles)

Dressing for the weather

As pupils are spending more time out of the classroom they need warm coats, hats and gloves.

The classrooms are kept well-ventilated. However, this means it can get chilly (despite the heating being on). If your child wishes, they can wear an extra layer under their school uniform.

**Children in Need**

Thank you for supporting this cause. The school raised £131.00

**Face coverings**

Thank you to all parents for your support in this.

Absence from school

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school before 9:00am with the reason for their absence. This contact can be by phone or email using the school office email address (office@forden.powys.sch.uk). Please do not ask staff about the absence of other pupils.

If any member of the household is displaying symptoms then pupils should not be sent to school.

If a child is absent because a member of their household is waiting for a test result, their teacher will not set work until the test result is known.

School Newsletters - All past newsletters are available to view on the school website.

Dates for your diary:

Thu 3 rd Dec	School Christmas dinner
Tue 15 th Dec	Dosbarth Ysgawen Christmas party (Y4,5&6)
Wed 16 th Dec	Dosbarth Collen Christmas party (Y2&3)
Thu 17 th Dec	Dosbarth Bedwen Christmas party (Rec & Y1)
Fri 18 th Dec	Last day of term / non-uniform

Monday 21st December – Monday 4th January
Christmas Holidays

Return to school Tuesday 5th January

Friends of Forden

Online raffle. Please support the Friends with their Christmas fundraising.

1st prize £50 Amazon voucher, 2nd prize £40 Bunnings voucher and many more prizes.

<https://raffall.com/149403/enter-affle-to-win-friends-of-forden-school-hosted-by-sarah-bowles>

COVID_19

It is vitally important that any pupils or staff members displaying any of the symptoms of COVID_19 **do not** attend school and follow the appropriate isolation and testing guidance procedures.

If your child has a coronavirus test, please take a screenshot of the result (usually sent by text) and forward to the school. If it is negative, your child can return as soon as they are well enough.

If it is positive you will be contacted by TTP who will also liaise with the school to identify close contacts who will need to self-isolate.

If your child only has a runny nose or other cold like symptoms, and none of the above symptoms a COVID-19 test isn't required. Your child can go to school if they are well enough to do so. If you are unsure if your child's symptoms are COVID-19 or cold-like symptoms please use the [gov.wales symptom checker](https://gov.wales/symptom-checker)

The following links contain up-to-date guidance from Welsh Government

[Test, Trace, Protect – information for parents/carers](#)

[What to do if a child needs to self-isolate – information for parents/carers](#)

If a pupil displays any symptoms in school, you will be contacted to collect them from school immediately. **This will be applied rigorously in all circumstances and we ask for your total compliance and support in this matter.**