



Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Blaendulais

Prosbectws

2023-24

Prospectus



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Datganiad o Fwriad

Pwrpas Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais yw cynnig sylfaen gadarn mewn awyrgylch o lwyddiant er mwyn llywio dyfodol pob unigolyn. Cynigwn addysg ddwyieithog a phrofiadau amrywiol sy'n ehangu gorwelion. Hyrwyddwn amgylchedd o barch a hunan werth wrth lunio'r dyfodol gyda'n gilydd.



Ein nod yw anelu at sicrhau bod:

- amgylchedd cynnes, croesawgar a chefnogol lle mae ein disgyblion yn mwynhau gweithio a dysgu gyda'i gilydd.
- pob disgybl yn cael cyfle i gyrraedd ei lawn botensial, yn gymdeithasol, yn gorfforol, yn ysbrydol a moesol
- plant yn teimlo'n ddiogel fel eu bod nhw'n gallu mentro, heb ofni gwneud camgymeriadau
- llais y disgybl yn gryf a bod cyfraniad pob unigolyn yn cael ei barchu
- unigolion yn datblygu'r sgiliau a'r gwerthoedd fydd yn sylfaen yn eu bywydau tu hwnt i addysg.
- Partneriaeth cryf rhwng yr ysgol, y cartref a'r gymuned
- **pawb yn magu balchder yn yr iaith Gymraeg, ein diwylliant a'n cenedl**

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Cefndir



Mae Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais ym mhentref Blaendulais yng Nghwm Dulais. Mae'n gwasanaethu pentrefi Creunant, Blaendulais, Pantyffordd, Onllwyn a Dyffryn Cellwen.

Mae'r ysgol, a agorwyd yn 1961, yn ysgol gynradd mynediad un dosbarth gyda thua 100 o blant ar y gofrestr mewn dosbarthiadau gallu cymysg.

Mae 5 ystafell ddosbarth sy'n cynnwys ystafell y Cyfnod Sylfaen yn ogystal â dosbarthiadau'r prif ffrwd. Mae gennym neuadd, ffreutur ar wahân a llyfrgell.

Mae gan Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais staff sy'n ffurfio tîm cyfeillgar a gweithgar. Mae'r ysgol yn ymrwymedig i ddatblygiad proffesiynol parhaus er mwyn galluogi staff i gyflawni eu rolau'n effeithiol. Yn ogystal â'r staff addysgu mae gennym gynorthwyyr dosbarth.



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Mae gan yr ysgol glerc ysgol a thair o oruchwylwyr amser cinio.

Mae'r ysgol wedi derbyn y Wobr Arian Siarter Iaith ac yn gweithio tuag yr Aur.

Mae'r ysgol yn ymwneud â digwyddiadau chwaraeon yr ardal ac mae ein gweithgareddau allgyrsiol yn cynnwys rygbi, pêl-droed, nofio, côr, dawnsio gwerin, cyfrifiaduron a'r Urdd. Mae'r ysgol yn cymryd rhan mewn digwyddiadau athletau hefyd.

Yn ogystal â gweithgareddau allgyrsiol rydym yn awyddus iawn i hyrwyddo gweithgareddau awyr agored ac amgylcheddol. Rydym yn ymgymryd mewn amrywiaeth o weithgareddau preswyl yn ymwneud â'r amgylchedd. Ein bwriad yw creu dinasyddion dwyieithog, cyfrifol y dyfodol.



Croesewir rhieni i gynorthwyo yn yr ysgol gyda phethau fel darllen, gwaith celf, dylunio a thechnoleg, coginio, helpu ar dripiâu, mynd am dro ac ati

Mae gennym Gymdeithas Rhieni Athrawon bywiog a gweithgar sy'n cyfarfod yn rheolaidd. Mae'r CRAFf wedi darparu nifer o bethau 'ychwanegol' i'r ysgol er lles y plant.

Mae Llywodraethwyr yr ysgol yn dangos diddordeb byw yn y plant a'r ysgol ac maent yn ymweld yn rheolaidd.

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“Mae Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais yn ysgol hapus, gartrefol a gofalgar sy'n annog disgyblion i fod yn falch o'u cymuned, eu diwylliant a'u Cymreictod. Mae gan yr holl staff berthynas waith gynhyrchiol iawn â'r disgyblion, eu teuluoedd ac aelodau'r gymuned sy'n hyrwyddo agweddau positif o ran y dysgu a lles disgyblion.”

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Statement of Purpose

Our aim in Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais is to provide a firm learning foundation in an environment promoting success for every individual in the establishment. We offer a bilingual education alongside a variety of experiences that broaden horizons. We promote an environment of respect and self worth when constructing the future together.



Our aim is to ensure that:

- it's a warm, welcoming and supportive environment where our pupils enjoy working and learning together.
- all pupils have the opportunity to reach their full potential, socially, physically, spiritually and morally.
- children feel safe so that they can take risks, without fear of making mistakes
- the pupil's voice is strong and that each individual's contribution is respected
- individuals develop the skills and values that will underpin their lives beyond education.
- we have a strong partnership between school, home and community
- everyone takes pride in the Welsh language, our culture and our nation.

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Background



Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais is located in the village of Seven Sisters in the Dulais Valley. It serves the villages of Crynant, Seven Sisters, Pantyffordd, Onllwyn, Dyffryn Cellwen.

The school, which was opened in 1961, is a one-form entry primary school with around 100 children on roll, in single age group, mixed ability classes.

There are 5 classrooms accommodating a Playgroup, our Nursery and Foundation Phase class and mainstream classes. We have an assembly hall, a separate dining hall and a library.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais has a friendly, hard working staff team. The school is committed to continued professional development to enable all staff to carry out their roles effectively. In addition to the teaching staff there are classroom assistants.

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The school is also well served by a school clerk and three mid-day supervisors.

The school has received the Silver Siarter Iaith Award and is currently working towards the Gold Award.

We take an active part in the area's sports fixtures and our extra curricular activities include rugby, netball, swimming, choir, disco dancing, folk dancing and the Urdd. The school also takes part in athletic competitions.

As well as extra curricular activities we are keen to promote open air and environmental activities. We partake in a wide range of residential courses . Our aim is to create bilingual, responsible citizens.

Parent helpers are welcomed into school and help with reading, art, design technology, computers, class walks etc.

We have an active Parent-Teachers' Association which meets regularly. The PTA have provided many 'extras' for the benefit of the children.

School Governors take an active interest in the children and school and visit regularly.

“Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais is a happy, homely and caring school that encourages pupils to take pride in their community, their culture and their Welshness. All staff have a very productive working relationship with pupils, their families and members of the community, which promotes positive attitudes in terms of learning and pupils' well-being.”

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STAFF YR YSGOL

Pennaeth Gweithredol	Mrs Kathryn Penhale
Dirprwy Gweithredol	Mrs Delith Battenbough
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Clerc yr ysgol	Mrs Angela Salter
Staff Addysgu	Mrs. Kathryn Penhale (0.4) Mrs Delith Battenbough Mrs Mair Rees Mrs Katie Jones Miss Sophie Watts (0.6)
Cynorthwywyr dosbarth	Mrs Mair Jones Mrs Llinos Humphreys Miss Abigail Davies Mrs Bethan Francis Miss Stacey Harries
Goruchwylwyr Amser Cinio	Mrs Llinos Humphreys Miss Abigail Davies Miss Maria Thomas
Gofalwr	Ms Elaine Burgess

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SCHOOL STAFF	
Acting Headteacher	Mrs Kathryn Penhale
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Teaching Staff	Mrs. Kathryn Penhale (0.4) Mrs Delith Battenbough Mrs Mair Rees Mrs Katie Jones Miss Sophie Watts (0.6)
Classroom Assistants	Mrs Mair Jones Mrs Llinos Humphreys Miss Abigail Davies Mrs Bethan Francis Miss Stacey Harries
Mid-day Supervisors	Mrs Llinos Humphreys Miss Abigail Davies Miss Maria Thomas
Caretaker	Ms Elaine Burgess

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Y Corff Llywodraethu

Cadeirydd y Llywodraethwyr	Mrs Gaynor Smith
Is-Gadeirydd	Mr. Dafydd Francis
Pennaeth Gweithredol	Mrs Kathryn Penhale
A.A.LI.	Mr Stephen Hunt Mrs Gaynor Smith
Aelodau Cyngor	Mr Lyn Jenkins
Aelod Cymunedol	Miss Eryl Price Mr Jeff Bloffwitch Mr. Dafydd Francis
Rhiant-Lywodraethwyr	Ms Louise Price Mr Emyr Francis Ms Bethan Howell Mrs Ruby Davies
Staff dysgu	Mrs Delith Battenbough
Staff cymorth	Miss Abigail Davies

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The Governing Body

Chairman of Governors	Mrs Gaynor Smith
Vice-Chairman	Mr. Dafydd Francis
Acting Head	Mrs Kathryn Penhale
L.E.A.	Mr Stephen Hunt Mrs Gaynor Smith
Community Authority Member	Mr Lyn Jenkins
Community Governor	Miss Eryl Price Mr Jeff Bloffwitch Mr. Dafydd Francis
Parent Governors	Ms Louise Price Mr Emyr Francis Ms Bethan Howell Mrs Ruby Davies
Teacher Governor	Mrs Delith Battenbough
Non -Teaching Governor	Miss Abigail Davies

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Gwybodaeth Gyffredinol

Derbyniadau

Gofynnwn i rieni sy'n dymuno anfon eu plant i Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais gysylltu â'r ysgol er mwyn cofrestru enwau eu plant cyn gynted ag y bo modd. Anfonir pecyn gwybodaeth a fydd yn cynnwys ffurflenni derbyn at rieni wedyn. Am wybodaeth pellach edychwch ar bolisi mynediad CNPT ar wefan yr ysgol.

Oriau Ysgol

Meithrin	8:50a.m -11.50am	
Derbyn/Blwyddyn 1/2	8.50a.m. - 11.45 am	12.50p.m - 3.15 pm
Blwyddyn 3/4/5/6	8.50a.m. - 11.50a.m	12.50p.m. - 3.20 pm

Ceir egwyl fer yn ystod sesiwn y bore a'r prynhawn.

Daw cyfanswm yr oriau addysgu i 22 awr a 30 munud yr wythnos yn y Cyfnod Sylfaen a 23 awr a 45 munud yr wythnos yng Nghyfnod Allweddol 2.

Dylech sicrhau bod eich plentyn yn cyrraedd yr ysgol yn brydlon ar gyfer dechrau'r diwrnod ysgol. Dylai plant gyrraedd iard chwarae'r ysgol rhwng 8.40 a 8.50am pan fydd goruchwyliaeth ar yr iard. Ni ddylai unrhyw blentyn gyrraedd yr ysgol cyn 8.40am. Pan fydd y tywydd yn wael, caiff y plant fynd i mewn i adeilad yr ysgol. Dylid casglu'r plant o'r ysgol yn brydlon am 3.15yh i'r Cyfnod Sylfaen a 3.20yh ar gyfer Cyfnod Allweddol 2.

Prydau Ysgol

Mae pob plentyn yn yr ysgol yn medru cael cinio ysgol am ddim. Mae'r cynllun yn rhan o ymrwymiad Llywodraeth Cymru i bob disgybl ysgol gynradd dderbyn pryd ysgol am ddim erbyn 2024. Mae hwn yn gam pwysig wrth gyrraedd yr uchelgais gyffredin o sicrhau nad oes yr un plentyn yn llwgu tra yn yr ysgol.



Mae'r fwydlen ddyddiol ar gael ar wefan CNPT:

<https://www.broccolibob.co.uk/>

Rydym yn ysgol ddi-gnau, ni chaniateir cnau mewn pecynnau bwyd.

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General Information

Admission

Parents who wish to send their children to Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais are asked to contact the school to register their interest as soon as possible. An information pack is sent to the parents and will include an admission form. For further information please read the NPT admissions policy on the website.

School Hours

Nursery	8.50am - 11.50am	
Reception/Yr1/Yr2	8.50am - 11.45 am	12.50 pm - 3.15 pm
Year 3/4/5/6	8.50 am - 11.50 am	12.50 pm - 3.20 pm

There is a short break during the morning and afternoon sessions.

This amounts to teaching time of 22 hours 30 mins per week at Foundation Stage and 23 hours 45 mins per week at Key Stage 2.

Please ensure that your child arrives promptly for the beginning of the school day. Children should arrive in the playground between 8.40 and 8.50am when there is playground supervision. No child should arrive at school before 8.30am. In cases of bad weather children will be allowed into school. Children should be collected promptly at 3.15pm for Foundation Phase and 3.20pm for Key Stage 2.

School Meals

All pupils are entitled to free meals. The roll-out is a part of the Welsh Government's commitment for every primary school pupil to receive a free school meal by September 2024. This is an important step in reaching the shared ambition of ensuring no child goes hungry while in school.



School Menu is available on npt website: <https://www.broccolibob.co.uk/>

We are a nut-free school. All packed lunches must be nut-free.



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Arian

Dylid talu arian ar gyfer ymweliadau addysgol trwy Parentpay. Dylid talu am ffrwyth yn y Babanod mewn amlen ar fore dydd Llun, dylid rhoi enw a dosbarth y plentyn a'i rhoi i'r athro dosbarth ar ddechrau'r dydd.



Polisi Codi Tâl (crynodeb)

Gofynnir i rieni dalu, a hynny'n wirfoddol, am y canlynol:

- ymweliadau addysgol/teithiau ysgol
- bysiau ar gyfer gweithgareddau chwaraeon
- ymweliadau gan gwmnïau theatr a siaradwyr/ymwelwyr eraill
- rhai clybiau (pan fo darparwyr allanol)
- deunyddiau o dro i dro (e.e. cynhwysion coginio).



Heb gefnogaeth ariannol gan rieni ni fydd yn bosib i rai o'r gweithgareddau hyn ddigwydd.

Ni fydd plentyn yn cael ei wahardd rhag cymryd rhan os yw ei rieni'n methu â thalu. Os oes problem wirioneddol, dylech gysylltu â'r Pennaeth bob amser.

Moddion

Os yw eich plentyn yn cymryd moddion yn ystod y dydd ar orchymyn eich meddyg gallwch alw yn swyddfa'r ysgol ar yr amser priodol i weinyddu'r moddion neu i lanw ffurflen caniatad staff. Cyfeiriwch at wefan yr ysgol am daflen ganiatad a chanllawiau pellach.

Iechyd a Lles

Mae'r meddyg a'r nyrs ysgol yn ymweld â'r ysgol yn rheolaidd. Bydd archwiliadau clyw, golwg a deintyddol yn digwydd yn ystod cyfnod eich plentyn yn yr ysgol.

Rhifau Ffôn Argyfwng

Cedwir rhifau ffôn argyfwng yn swyddfa'r ysgol ar gyfer achosion damweiniau a salwch. Dylech sicrhau eu bod yn cael eu diweddarau! Anfonir Ffurflen Gyswllt at rieni ar ddechrau bob blwyddyn ysgol i'r perwyl hynny.



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Money

All payments for educational visits etc. will be made through Parentpay. In the Infants fruit money should be sent into school in a sealed envelope clearly labelled with the name and class of the child on a Monday morning and handed to their class teacher at the beginning of the day.



Charging Policy (summary)

Parents are asked to pay, on a voluntary basis, to cover the cost of

- educational visits/school journeys
- buses for sporting activities e.t.c.
- theatre companies and other visitors/speakers
- some clubs (where an outside provider is used)
- occasionally for materials used (e.g. cooking ingredients).



Without parental support some of these activities will not take place.

No child will be excluded if his/her parents are unable to pay. In cases of genuine hardship please do not hesitate to contact the Head Teacher.

Medicine

If your child is required by your doctor to take medicine during the school day you may call in at the school office at the appropriate time to administer them or to hand in a permission form for staff administration. Please refer to the website for permission forms and further information.

Health and Welfare

The school nurse and doctor visit the school regularly. Vision, hearing and dental checks are carried out during the children's time in school.

Emergency Contact Numbers

Emergency Contact Numbers are kept in the school office in case of accident or illness. Please ensure that these are always kept up to date! A Contact Form is sent out at the beginning of each school year for this purpose.



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Gwisg Ysgol

Dyma ein gwisg ysgol:

- trowsus glas tywyll (dim streipiau) neu sgert(neu binafore) glas tywyll/crysau polo gwyrdd a chrysau chwys glas tywyll
- crys gwyn a thei'r ysgol ar gyfer 'digwyddiadau arbennig' - cyngherddau, eisteddfod ac ati.
- esgidiau addas, du os yn bosib, (merched - sodlau isel, heb ormod o strapiau ac ati). Trainers du neu nefi.
- yn yr Haf, trowsus byr glas tywyll a chrysau T yr ysgol neu ffrog Haf nefi a gwyn
- Ar gyfer Addysg Gorfforol, dylid gwisgo crys T glas tywyll yr ysgol a siorts glas tywyll. Gellir gwisgo trowsus loncian glas tywyll ar gyfer Addysg Gorfforol awyr agored mewn tywydd oer.

Gofalwch fod enw eich plentyn ar bob dilledyn

Gallwch archebu'n uniongyrchol oddi wrth y cyflenwyr :

'Siop Nia' yn y pentref Pethau Plant

- Er mwyn sicrhau diogelwch pob plentyn, ni ddylid gwisgo tlysau
- Does dim hawl lliwio gwallt gyda lliwiau annaturiol nag eillio gwallt â phatrymau

* Mae yna siop ddillad ail-law yng nghanolfan gymunedol Sevensisters.



Byddem yn gwerthfawrogi eich cydweithrediad wrth gydymffurfio â'r polisi gwisg ysgol hwn.

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School Uniform

Our school uniform is as follows:

- navy trousers (no stripes) or navy skirt(or pinafore)/green polo shirts and navy sweatshirts
- white shirt and school tie for 'special occasions' - concerts, eisteddfod e.t.c
- sensible footwear, preferably black, (girls - with low heels, not too many straps etc.) Trainers must be black or navy in colour.
- in Summer, navy school T Shirts and navy shorts or navy and white Summer frocks.
- For P.E. the navy school T Shirt and navy shorts should be worn. Jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor P.E. during cold weather.

Please make sure that all items of uniform have the children's names on them.

You can contact the supplier directly :

'Siop Nia' in the village
Pethau Plant



- No unnatural hair dye is allowed
- No shaving of patterns, logos or tramlines in hair is permitted
- No jewellery to be worn

There is a Pre-loved Uniform Shop in Sevensisters community centre.

We would appreciate your co-operation in following this school uniform policy.

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Cyfle Cyfartal

Rydym fel ysgol yn hyrwyddo tegwch a chydaddoldeb yn yr addysg a gynnigwn yn yr ysgol. Nid yw Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais yn gwahaniaethu yn erbyn neb, boed yn staff neu yn ddisgyblion, ar sail eu rhyw, hil, anabledd, crefydd neu liw.

Rydym fel ysgol yn sicrhau fod yr holl ddisgyblion yn derbyn yr un cyfleoedd addysgol. Anelwn fel ysgol at waredu gwahaniaethu anuniongyrchol sy'n medru atal addysg gyflawn.

Gwrth-hiliaeth

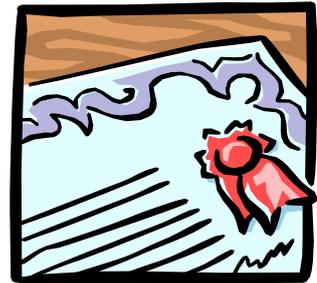
Mae hawl gan bob plentyn i dderbyn yr addysg orau a ellir ei gynnig gan yr ysgol gan roi cyfle i'r disgyblion i gyd i brofi amrywiaeth o weithgareddau. Anelwn at greu ethos sy'n groesawgar i bawb. Hyrwyddwn ddealltwriaeth o ddiwylliannau eraill yn y themâu a astudir gan y plant.

Cyfeiriwch at Gynllun Cydraddoldeb Strategol yr ysgol ar y wefan am wybodaeth.

Ethos, Ymddygiad a Disgyblaeth

Ein dymuniad yn Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais yw cynnal hinsawdd sy'n hybu agwedd gadarnhaol tuag at ymddygiad a disgyblaeth. Ein bwriad yw datblygu ymwybyddiaeth o hunanddisgyblaeth, cyfrifoldeb a pharch y naill at y llall yn ein disgyblion.

O gofio hyn lluniwyd Polisi Disgyblaeth gan y staff a'r plant. Mae'r rhain yn cael eu harddangos yn amlwg yn y dosbarthiadau ac o gwmpas yr ysgol ac fe gyfeirir atynt yn gyson mewn gwasanaethau.



Ein Rheolau Ysgol - crynodeb o ddisgwyliadau

- *Trin pobl eraill fel y carem ni gael ein trin gan eraill*
- *Byddwch yn garedig, yn gyfeillgar ac yn ofalgar y naill am y llall*
 - *Gofalwch am bobl ac eiddo*
 - *Gwrandewch ar yr hyn sydd gan bobl i'w ddweud*
 - *Byddwch yn ufudd i gyfarwyddiadau staff yr ysgol*
 - *Gofalwch am yr ysgol a'r amgylchedd*

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Gwobrwyir gwaith da ac ymddygiad da drwy roi sticeri, pwyntiau clod a thystysgrifau. Pan fydd rhywun yn torri'r rheolau hyn, defnyddir sancsiynau priodol a bwriadus fel colli amser rhydd, colli breintiau, ymddiheuriadau ysgrifenedig ac adrodd i'r Pennaeth. Trafodir problemau disgyblaeth ddifrifol â rhieni yn gynnar a phwysleisir y bartneriaeth hon.



“Mae’r berthynas waith agos rhwng y staff a’r disgyblion, ac ymhlith y disgyblion eu hunain, yn arwain at gymuned ofalgar sydd ag ethos cyfeillgar a chynnes. Mae’r athrawon a’r cynorthwywyr yn adnabod y disgyblion yn dda iawn ac maent yn ymateb yn bwrpasol i’w hanghenion emosiynol a chymdeithasol. Mae agweddau’r staff, a’r awyrgylch gadarnhaol ym mhob dosbarth, yn cefnogi’r disgyblion i ymgartrefu’n hawdd a chyfrannu’n dda at fywyd yr ysgol. Mae hyn yn atgyfnerthu eu bodlonrwydd a’u lles ac yn annog disgyblion i feithrin agweddau gwydn tuag at eu dysgu.”

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Equal Opportunities

We promote the principles of fairness and justice for all through the education that we provide in our school. Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais does not discriminate against anyone, be they staff or pupil, on the grounds of their sex, race, disability, colour or religion.

We ensure that all pupils have equal access to the full range of educational opportunities provided by the school. We constantly strive to remove any forms of indirect discrimination that may form barriers to learning.

Anti-racism

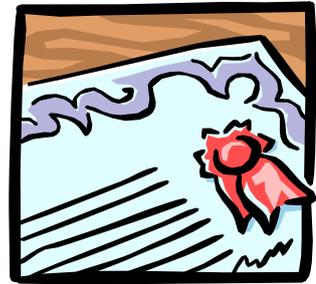
It is the right of all pupils to receive the best education the school can provide, with access to all educational activities organised by the school. We endeavour to make our school welcoming to all. We promote an understanding of different cultures through the topics studied by the children.

Please refer to the Strategic Equality plan on the school website.

Ethos, Behaviour and Discipline

At Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais, we wish to maintain a climate that promotes a positive approach to behaviour and discipline. We aim to develop in pupils a sense of self-discipline, responsibility and mutual respect.

With this in mind 'Our Special School Rules' have been developed by the staff and children of the school. These are displayed in classrooms and around the school and are frequently referred to in assemblies.



Our School Rules - summary of expectations

- * *Treat other people the way you want to be treated*
- * *Be kind, friendly and caring to each other*
- * *Look after people and property*
- * *Listen to what people have to say*
- * *Always follow instructions from the school staff*
- * *Care for the school and its surroundings*

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Stickers, points and certificates are awarded for good work or behaviour. Appropriate and considered sanctions such as loss of free time, withdrawal of privileges, written apologies and reporting to the Head Teacher will be applied when these rules are broken. Major questions of discipline are shared with parents at an early stage, and this partnership is emphasised.



“The close working relationship between staff and pupils, and between the pupils themselves, leads to a caring community with a friendly and warm ethos. Teachers and assistants know the pupils very well and respond purposefully to their emotional and social needs. Staff attitudes and the positive environment in all classes support pupils to settle easily and contribute well to school life. This reinforces their contentment and well-being and encourages pupils to foster resilient attitudes to learning.”

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The Curriculum

New Curriculum - Successful Futures

Major changes are planned in Welsh education arising from Professor Donaldson's review of the Welsh education curriculum and his 'Successful Futures' report. The new curriculum is based on the following four purposes ensuring that all children and young people will be:

- Ambitious, capable learners who are ready to learn throughout their lives.
- Enterprising, creative contributors who are ready to play a full part in life and work.
- Ethical, informed citizens who are ready to be citizens of Wales and the world.
- Healthy, confident individuals who are ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

Within the new curriculum, literacy, numeracy and digital competence will be three crosscurricular responsibilities. The curriculum is divided into six areas of learning and experience, namely expressive arts, health and wellbeing, humanities, literacy and communication, mathematics and numeracy and science and technology. These areas of learning and experience will extend from the foundation phase (when children are 3) to when the children are 16.

During the time that children are with us we hope that they will be involved in a range of cultural experiences through visits to art galleries, visiting theatre companies and work with artists, writers, storytellers or performance artists.

Physical Education Aims

- Promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles,
- Develop positive attitudes - working as part of a team to encourage fair play and sportsmanship,
- Ensure safe practice and enjoyment.

What kind of curriculum do we want for our children?



Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Trosglwyddo i'r Uwchradd

Mae plant Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais yn trosglwyddo i Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera ar ddiwedd blwyddyn 6. Fodd bynnag, y rhieni sy'n dewis i ba ysgol y bydd eu plant yn mynd.



Yn ystod Blwyddyn 6, mae'r Awdurdod Addysg Leol yn anfon llyfryn manwl sy'n cynnwys yr holl wybodaeth berthnasol ynghylch trefn ceisiadau a derbyniadau ysgolion uwchradd.

Mae Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera yn darparu ffurflenni derbyn a gwybodaeth i ddisgyblion Blwyddyn 6 ac mae noson agored bob blwyddyn hefyd, a hynny'n rhoi cyfle i rieni disgyblion Blwyddyn 6 gwrdd â phennaeth a staff Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera. Ceir rhaglen bontio effeithiol rhwng yr ysgol uwchradd a chynradd.

Gwefan Ystalyfera: <https://www.ysgolystalyferabrodur.cymru>

Y Gymraeg

Fe benodir yr ysgol yn Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg. Cymraeg yw cyfrwng dysgu yn y Cyfnod Sylfaen ac yn yr Adran Iau addysgir y rhan fwyaf o'r pynciau drwy'r Gymraeg. Y Gymraeg yw iaith gyfathrebu'r ysgol ond ymdrechir i hysbysu rhieni o weithgareddau'r ysgol yn y Gymraeg a'r Saesneg. I alluogi plant di-Gymraeg ymuno â'r ysgol fe wneir trefniadau arbennig. Yn y Meithrin / Derbyn / Babanod bydd y plentyn yn cael cymorth yn y dosbarth gan yr athrawes wrth ei bod/fod yn dysgu'r Gymraeg. Anelwn at sicrhau fod pob plentyn yn gwbl ddwyieithog erbyn diwedd Blwyddyn 6.

Beth yw manteision Addysg Ddwyieithog?

Mae yna nifer o fanteision:

- Mae gwaith ymchwil yn dangos fod plant sy'n medru siarad mwy nag un iaith yn gallu meddwl yn fwy creadigol a hyblyg.
- Mae gan blant dwyieithog seiliau da ar gyfer dysgu ieithoedd eraill.
- Mae bod yn ddwyieithog yn caniatáu i'ch plentyn brofi dau ddiwylliant.
- Eto, mae gwaith ymchwil yn dangos fod siarad a defnyddio dwy iaith yn gwella gallu plentyn i ddefnyddio a dysgu iaith yn gyffredinol. Mae ymchwil diweddar yn dangos fod plant sy'n derbyn addysg ddwyieithog yn dueddol o wneud yn well ar draws y Cwricwlwm - yn cynnwys yn Saesneg.



Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Canolfan Iaith Uned y Cwm- dyw hi byth yn rhy hwyr i ddysgu Cymraeg!



THE COURSE

- A carefully created course that provides children with the essentials of the Welsh language so they can speak, read and write in Welsh and begin their journey to becoming bilingual
- Length of course - 11 weeks
- 4 days immersion at the Centre and returning to school every Friday
- Experienced teachers with very low teacher/pupil ratio
- Innovative resources that provide rich learning experiences

WHAT WE OFFER

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WHO CAN APPLY?

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Am fwy o wybodaeth: [Cwm \(google.com\)](http://Cwm.google.com)

Addysg Cydberthynas a Rhywioldeb

Addysgir Addysg Rhyw yn yr ysgol fel rhan o Fframwaith Addysg Cydberthynas a Rhywioldeb, Cwricwlwm i Gymru. Mae ein haddysgu a'n dysgu yn briodol i oed a ddatblygiad y dysgwyr ac yn canolbwyntio ar 3 llinyn sef:

- perthnasoedd a hunaniaeth iach,
- iechyd a lles rhywiol
- grymuso, diogelwch a pharch.

Mae Addysg Cydberthynas a Rhywioldeb wedi'i gynllunio i ddiogelu ein holl blant a phobl ifanc, gan eu cefnogi i ddatblygu gwybodaeth, sgiliau ac ymddygiadau a fydd yn helpu i'w hamddiffyn trwy gydol eu bywydau.

Nid oes hawl gan riant i ofyn i blentyn gael ei dynnu allan o wersi Addysg Cydberthynas a Rhywioldeb yn y Cwricwlwm i Gymru. Mae croeso i chi gwrdd â'r Pennaeth os oes gennych unrhyw ymholiadau neu bryderon ynglŷn â'r agwedd hon o waith yr ysgol.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Secondary Transfer

Children from Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais transfer to Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera at the end of year 6. However, it is the parents who choose which secondary school their children will attend.



In year 6 the Local Education Authority send parents a detailed brochure giving all the relevant information regarding the procedure for secondary school applications and admissions.

Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera provide year 6 pupils with admission forms and information and there is also one evening held each year, giving an opportunity for the parents of year 6 to meet with the head and staff of Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera. There is a very effective transition program between the primary and secondary school.

Ystalyfera Website: <https://www.ysgolystalyferabrodur.cymru>

The Welsh Language

The school is designated as a Welsh Primary School. Welsh is the medium of instruction in the Foundation Phase Department, with the majority of teaching being through the medium of Welsh in the Junior Department. Welsh is also the official language of communication throughout the school but every effort is made to notify parents of school activities bilingually. To enable non-Welsh speakers to join the school, special provisions are made; the Nursery/ Infant age group will be supported by the teacher whilst learning Welsh. We aim to ensure that all pupils are bilingual by the end of Year 6.



What are the advantages of Bilingual Education?

There are many advantages:

- Research shows that children who are able to speak more than one language are able to think more flexibly and creatively.
- Bilingual children have a good foundation for learning other languages.
- Being bilingual gives your child the opportunity to experience two cultures.
 - Research shows that being able to speak and use two languages improves a child's ability to use and learn language in general. Recent results have shown that children receiving Welsh medium education tend to do better right across the curriculum - including English.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Uned y Cwm Language Centre - it's never too late to learn Welsh!



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Relationships and Sexuality Education

Sex Education is taught in the school as part of the Curriculum for Wales' Relationship and Sexuality Education Framework. Our teaching and learning is developmentally appropriate for learners and focuses on the 3 strands of the code:

- healthy relationships and identity,
- sexual health and well-being
- empowerment, safety and respect.

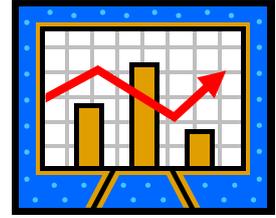
RSE is designed to safeguard all our children and young people, supporting them to develop knowledge, skills and behaviours that will assist in protecting them throughout their lives. questions are dealt with sensitively and honestly when they arise in the classroom.

A parent is not entitled to request that a child is withdrawn from RSE lessons. Please see the Head Teacher if you have any questions or concerns over this aspect of our work in school.

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Asesu

Mae cofnodion o waith y plant yn cael eu diweddarau'n rheolaidd. Cofnodir tystiolaeth o waith disgyblion a gweithredir asesu parhaol - ffurfiol ac anffurfiol- o gynnydd disgyblion unigol gan ddefnyddio system dracio'r ysgol a 'Cornerstones Maestro'. Cynhelir amserlen o asesiadau yn ystod y flwyddyn- a chaiff datblygiad pob plentyn ei 'dracio'.



Anfonir Adroddiadau Blynyddol at rieni tua diwedd y flwyddyn ysgol ynghyd ag asesiad athro yn ogystal â thargedau.

Cynhelir Prynawniau/Nosweithiau Agored Cynnydd ddwywaith y flwyddyn lle caiff rhieni gyfle i ymweld â'r ysgol a chael sgwrs â'r athro dosbarth .

Gwaith Cartref

Anogir pob plentyn o'r dosbarth Derbyn hyd at Flwyddyn 6 i ddarllen yn eang gartref.

Bydd plant yr ysgol yn cael tasg ar ddydd Gwener i'w chwblhau erbyn y dydd Mercher canlynol.

Mae'r angen ar gyfer gwaith cartref yn cynyddu wrth i'r plant symud i fyny'r ysgol.

Byddem yn gwerthfawrogi cefnogaeth rhieni i sicrhau bod gwaith cartref yn cael ei gwblhau.

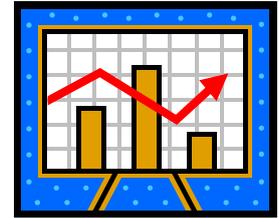
Gwasanaethau

Mae gwasanaeth yn digwydd bob dydd o'r wythnos, dwywaith fel ysgol gyfan, dwywaith fel gwasanaeth dosbarth, ac unwaith fel adran. Mae'r gwasanaethau yn cynnig cyfle arbennig i gymuned yr ysgol gyfarfod gyda'i gilydd i gydaddoli ac ystyried materion sy'n effeithio ar yr ysgol gyfan, gan gwmpasu pynciau mor amrywiol â bwlio, gwyliau, perthnasoedd a phobl enwog. Mae gan rieni'r hawl i dynnu eu plant yn ôl o'r gwasanaethau neu ran ohonynt a'r gwersi Addysg Grefyddol yn y dosbarth. *Mae croeso i chi drafod hyn gyda'r Pennaeth.*

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Assessment

Records of pupil progress are regularly updated. Evidence of pupils work is collected and ongoing assessments, both formal and informal, of individual pupil progress are undertaken using the school system and Cornerstone Maestro. A timetable of assessments are undertaken during the year - and pupils' progress and development is tracked.



Annual Reports are sent out to parents towards the end of the school year to report on progress and targets. Progress Evenings are held twice a year where all parents may take the opportunity to visit the school and talk to the class teacher.

Homework

All children from Reception to Year 6 classes are encouraged to read widely at home.



The children will have a task given to them on a Friday, to be completed by the following Monday. Also, homework is given out during the week to be completed by the following Friday.

The requirement to undertake homework increases as children move up the school.

We would appreciate parents' support in ensuring that homework is completed.

Assemblies

Assemblies take place every day - twice a week as the whole school, twice as class assemblies and once as Key Stages. These provide a special opportunity for the school community to meet together for collective worship and to consider issues that affect the whole school, covering topics as diverse as bullying, festivals, relationships and famous people. Parents have the right to withdraw their children from all or part of our assemblies and the Religious Education lessons that take place in classrooms.

Please feel free to discuss this matter with the Head Teacher.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Anghenion Dysgu Ychwanegol

Ein bwriad yw darparu cyfle i bob plentyn ddatblygu i'w lawn botensial, o gofio anghenion a gallu unigol y plentyn. I'r mwyafrif o ddisgyblion, cyflawnir yr anghenion hynny yn y dosbarth drwy'r Cwricwlwm Cenedlaethol a pholisïau cwricwlwm cysylltiedig yr ysgol a'r strategaethau dysgu ac addysgu.

Fodd bynnag, rydym yn cydnabod bod angen help ychwanegol ar nifer bach o blant. Credwn fod diagnosis cynnar ac ymyriad priodol yn gwella disgygliadau plant ag Anghenion Addysgu Ychwanegol. Ein hamcan yw creu amgylchedd ysgol sy'n meithrin anogaeth, derbyniad, parch a sensitifrwydd fel y gall pob plentyn ag Anghenion Addysgu Ychwanegol brofi llwyddiant yn ôl eu cyfyngiadau unigol. Rydym hefyd yn adnabod plant abl a thalentog yn gynnar. Ceir cefnogaeth hefyd ar eu cyfer ar ffurf dulliau addysgu gwahanol, clybiau/ addysg ychwanegol a chynlluniau addysgu unigol ar gyfer disgyblion mwyaf abl a thalentog.

Pan fydd pryder am unrhyw blentyn yn codi, cynhelir trafodaethau anffurfiol a ffurfiol gyda rhieni/ gofalwyr. Os bydd angen, bydd yr ysgol yn cyfeirio'r plentyn at arbenigwyr penodol, â chaniatad y rhieni/ gofalwyr. Gosodir y plentyn ar y gofrestr Anghenion Addysgiadol Ychwanegol am gyfnod o amser tra bod angen cymorth ychwanegol.

Am wybodaeth pellach cyfeiriwch at bolisi ADY, MAT a chynllun cydraddoldeb strategol yr ysgol ar y wefan neu cysylltwch gyda Mrs Delith Battenbough (CADY).

Cwynion

Gall athro dosbarth eich plentyn fel arfer delio'n gyflym â chwynion sy'n ymwneud â'r cwricwlwm neu unrhyw agwedd arall ar fywyd yr ysgol. Byddai'n well petaech yn gwneud apwyntiad drwy swyddfa'r ysgol fel y gallwn neilltuo amser priodol i ystyried a datrys unrhyw gwynion. Os nad ydych yn fodlon â'r canlyniad, gallwch drafod y mater ymhellach gyda'r Pennaeth a fydd yn cynnwys y personau priodol angenrheidiol er mwyn datrys y sefyllfa. Os nad ydych yn fodlon a'r canlyniad gan y Pennaeth, gellir dod â chwynion ysgrifenedig at sylw'r Corff Llywodraethu yn unol â gofynion Deddf Addysg 1998 a rheoliadau'r Awdurdod Lleol.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Additional Learning Needs

We aim to provide each child with the opportunity to develop their full potential, bearing in mind the child's individual needs and abilities. For the majority of children these needs are met within the classroom through the Curriculum and related school curriculum policies and teaching and learning strategies.

However, we recognise that, for a small number of pupils additional help is required. It is our belief that early diagnosis and appropriate intervention improves the prospects of children with Additional Learning Needs. We also recognise able and talented pupils at an early stage and ensure that provision is in place to develop their abilities including specialised teaching, clubs and differentiated teaching as well as individual education plans for exceptionally able and talented. We aim to foster a school environment that creates an atmosphere of encouragement, acceptance, respect and sensitivity so that all children with ALN can achieve success within their individual limitations.

When a concern about a child arises, formal and informal discussions are conducted with parents/ carers, regarding their children's needs. If necessary the child will be referred to specific specialists, with the permission of parents/ carers.

For further information please refer to the School's Additional Learning Needs Policy, Able and Talented Policy and the Strategic Equality Plan on the website or contact Mrs Delith Battenbough (ALNCO).

Complaints

Complaints about the curriculum or any other aspect of school life can usually be dealt with quickly by your child's class teacher. It is usually best to make an appointment through the school office so that proper time and consideration can be given. If you are not satisfied with the outcome you can take the matter up with the Head Teacher who will involve all persons necessary to resolve the situation. If you are not satisfied with the outcome, complaints in writing will be brought to the attention of the Governing Body as required in the Education Act 1998 and the Local Authority's regulations.

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Gofal Bugeiliol

Mae pob athro / athrawes yn gyfrifol am y plant yn eu dosbarthiadau, a'r Pennaeth â chyfrifoldeb dros y cyfan. Ceisiwn greu amgylchedd diogel tu fewn a thu allan i'r ysgol, ac rydym bob amser yn ymwybodol o faterion iechyd a diogelwch. Mabwysiadwn agwedd ofalgar a chydymdeimladol tuag at anghenion pob plentyn o fewn awyrgylch gynnes a chartrefol.

Os yw plentyn yn sâl neu os caiff ddamwain, bydd yr ysgol yn ceisio cysylltu â'r rhieni trwy ddefnyddio'r wybodaeth a dderbynnir oddi wrth rieni ar y ffurflen gyswllt.

Caiff plant eu goruchwyllo yn ystod yr awr ginio ac amseroedd chwarae.

Cynhelir dril tân yn rheolaidd. Archwilir yr offer Ymarfer Corff a cheir goruchwyliaeth gyfrifol yn ystod y gwersi hyn.

O bryd i'w gilydd bydd swyddogion meddygol a deintyddol yr Awdurdod Iechyd yn ymweld â'r ysgol. Caiff rieni'r wybodaeth angenrheidiol cyn yr ymweliadau hyn, a chysylltir â hwy os cwyd unrhyw broblemau yn eu sgil.

Gwna'r ysgol ddefnydd hefyd o wasanaethau eraill yn yr Awdurdod, megis y Gwasanaeth Seicolegol a'r Gwasanaeth Lles.

Diweddarir ein Polisi Diogelu plant yn flynyddol ac y mae ar gael i rieni ar wefan yr ysgol.



Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Pastoral Care

Every class teacher is responsible for the children in his/her class with the Headteacher having overall responsibility. We aim to create a safe environment in and around the school, and are always mindful of health and safety issues. We adopt a caring, compassionate attitude towards the general well-being of each pupil.

If a child is ill or has an accident, the school does its utmost to contact parents by using the information given by parents on the registration form.

Children are supervised during lunch and play breaks.

A fire drill exercise is held regularly. Inspection of P.E. equipment is undertaken and there is responsible supervision during these lessons.

Medical and dental personnel from the Health Authority visit the school at regular intervals. Parents are given the necessary information regarding these visits and will be contacted if any problems arise.

Close links exist with the Schools' Psychological Service, the Education Welfare Service and Social Services. The school Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy is reviewed annually and a copy is available on our website.



Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Cefnogaeth Lles a Meddyliol

Rydym yn ymfalchio yn ein hethos gofalgar a lles y plant yw'r peth pwysicaf i ni. I'r perwyl hyn, rydym yn cynnig llawer o bethau gwahanol er mwyn cynnal a hybu lles corfforol a meddyliol e.e.

- Gwers lechyd a Lles yr wythnos
- Ffrwyth dyddiol (rhaid talu yn wythnosol) o'r meithrin i flwyddyn 6.
- Sesiynau Saib a Symud (sydd yn gyfuniad o ioga a meddwlgarwch)
- Clybiau chwaraeon wythnosol a chyfleoedd di-ri i chwarae mewn timau
 - Sesiwn 'Teimpladau' dyddiol er mwyn cael cyfle i drafod unrhyw bryderon.
- 'Bydis Blaendulais' allan ar y buarth yn ystod amser chwarae (sef aelodau o flwyddyn 6 sydd yn cynnig cymorth a help)
- Cefnogaeth gan ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) yr ysgol os oes angen cefnogaeth fwy penodol.
- Cefnogaeth gan wasanaeth Cwnsela yr Awdurdod os oes angen cefnogaeth fwy dwys.
 - Cefnogaeth arbenigol gan wasanaeth CAMHS ysgolion a Beyond the Blue drwy Barnardos.

Cyfleusterau Tai Bach

Mae yna ddarpariaeth ddigonol o gyfleusterau tŷ bach ar gyfer disgyblion wedi'u lleoli mewn man canolig o'r ysgol. Mae yna hefyd toiledau pellach ar gyfer disgyblion y Meithrin gerllaw eu dosbarth yn y caban. . Mae 8 ciwbicl toiled yn y prif adeilad. Yn ogystal â hyn mae ystafell hylendid sydd â thoiled i'r anabl a chawod a chyfleusterau newid. Mae'r cyfleusterau yn addas ar gyfer oed y plant sy'n eu defnyddio. Ceir 1 tŷ bach ychwanegol at ddefnydd staff ac ymwelwyr yn unig. Glanheir y tai bach yn ddyddiol. Gweler y pennaeth am fanylion pellach am y 'Polisi arfer dda tŷ bach'.

Cysylltiadau â Rhieni

Mae'r ysgol yn ystyried bod creu a chynnal perthynas weithiol agos gyda rhieni yn eithriadol bwysig. I'r diben hwn, croesewir rhieni i'r ysgol ar unrhyw adeg er mwyn trafod unrhyw broblemau sy'n codi ynghylch addysg neu hapusrwydd eu plant. Efallai bydd eisiau trefnu apwyntiad o flaen llaw. Croesewir pob rhiant i ymuno â'n Cymdeithas Rieni llwyddiannus. Anogir rhieni i gymryd rhan mewn gweithgareddau allgyrsiol, yn ogystal â helpu athrawon yn yr ystafell ddosbarth gydag amryw o dasgau. Er mwyn adeiladu ar, a gwella ymhellach, y cysylltiadau sy'n bodoli rhwng y cartref a'r ysgol, mae rhieni pob plentyn newydd a dderbynnir i'r ysgol yn cael copi o'n 'Cytundeb Ysgol Cartref'. Gofynnir i rieni, plant, athrawon dosbarth a'r pennaeth i ystyried tair rhestr o ddatganiadau yn ymwneud â'u rôl/cyfrifoldeb mewn gwella addysg a lles pob plentyn unigol.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Well-being and Emotional Support

We take pride in our caring ethos and the wellbeing of the child is our ultimate priority. Below are the steps we take to look after the physical and emotional wellbeing of every pupil:

- Weekly Health and Well-being lessons.
- Daily fruit (to be paid for weekly) and milk from nursery to year 6
- ‘Pause and Move’ daily sessions (which is a combination of yoga and mindfulness)
- Weekly sports clubs and numerous opportunities to play in a team
- A daily ‘feelings’ session to discuss any worries children may have..
- ‘Blaendulais Buddies’ out on the yard during playtime (who are pupils from year 6 that offer support)
- ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) in the school if pupils need specific support.
 - Support for pupils that need more intense support from the Counselling Service.
- Specialist support by the School CAMHS service and Beyond the Blue through Barnardos.

Toilet Facilities

There is adequate provision of toilet facilities for pupils, located in a central area of the school. There are different toilets for Nursery Foundation Phase pupils adjacent to their class in the cabin. There are 8 toilet cubicles in the main building. In addition to these there is a hygiene room which has a disabled toilet and shower and changing facilities. The facilities are appropriate to the age of the children who use them. There is 1 additional toilet area for the exclusive use of school staff and visitors. All toilet areas are cleaned on a daily basis. Please visit the Headteacher for further information regarding our ‘Toilets: Good Practice Policy’.

Parental Links

The school regards the development of a close working relationship with parents as being particularly important. To this end, parents are most welcome at any time to come and discuss any problems that arise in relation to their child's education or happiness. It may be necessary to arrange an appointment in advance. All parents are invited to join our successful Parents' Association. Parents are actively encouraged to become involved in extra curricular activities, whenever possible, in addition to helping teachers in the classroom situation with various activities. In order to build upon and further improve the existing links between the home and the school every new child admitted to the school is issued with our ‘Home School Agreement’. Parents, pupils, class teachers and the headteacher are asked to carefully consider three separate sets of statements relating to their own role/responsibility in furthering the education and welfare of each individual child.

Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais

Adrodd i rieni

Fe fydd pob plentyn yn yr ysgol yn derbyn adroddiad ysgrifenedig blynyddol yn ystod ail hanner tymor yr Haf. Fe fydd yr adroddiad yn cynnig crynodeb ar gyfer rhieni o gynnydd a chyraeddiadau eu plentyn ym mhob agwedd o fywyd yr ysgol ar hyd y flwyddyn academaidd. Fe fydd yr adroddiad yn galluogi rhieni i weld yn glir pa gynnydd a wnaed gan eu plentyn/plant a pha dargedau a bennir ar eu cyfer er mwyn hyrwyddo ac ysgogi'r cynnydd yma yn y dyfodol. Fe gynhelir Noson Rieni gynta'r flwyddyn academaidd o gwmpas canol tymor yr Hydref. Cyfarfod neu sgwrs digon anffurfiol fydd hwn: cyfle i rieni ddod i wybod sut mae eu plant yn ymdopi ag athro/athrawes newydd, disgwyliadau newydd, neu drefn newydd. Cynhelir yr ail Noson Rieni ym mis Chwefror er mwyn trafod datblygiadau a gosod targedau ar gyfer gwelliant.

Prydlondeb, Absenoldeb a Gwyliau

Anogwn rieni i sicrhau fod ei plant yn cyrraedd yr ysgol yn brydlon. Mae'n bwysig iawn bod y plant yn cyrraedd yr ysgol yn brydlon yn y bore, er mwyn osgoi amharu ar blant eraill ac ar staff addysgu, yn ogystal ag aflonyddu ar ddilyniant eu dysgu eu hunain. Mewn achos o absenoldeb, gofynnwn i rieni gysylltu â'r ysgol i roi eglurhad. Heb dderbyn eglurhad, fe nodir yr absenoldeb ar y gofrestr fel un 'heb ganiatâd'. Gofynnwn i rieni gysylltu â'r ysgol cyn gynted â phosib ar ddiwrnod cyntaf cyfnod o absenoldeb. Nid yw'r ysgol na'r Awdurdod Addysg yn cefnogi teuluoedd yn cymryd gwyliau yn ystod amser ysgol. Os ydy gwyliau yn anorfod, dylid gwneud cais ysgrifenedig i'r pennaeth am absenoldeb gyda chaniatâd yn ystod y tymor. Mae'r ffurflen ar gael o swyddfa neu wefan ysgol. Y mwyafswm o ddiwrnodau y gellid ei ystyried yw 10 diwrnod y tu allan i wyliau ysgol cyffredin.

Ystod y flwyddyn academaidd 2022-23, ein canran presenoldeb ar gyfer ein plant llawnamser (Derbyn hyd Flwyddyn 6) oedd 92.14%.

Diogelu ac Amddiffyn Plant

Mae pob aelod o staff yr ysgol hon yn gyfrifol am ddiogelu ac amddiffyn y plant sy'n ei mynychu. Os ceir pryderon ynglŷn ag esgeulustra neu gam-drin corfforol, emosiynol neu rywiol, yna mae'n ddyletswydd ar y staff, yn unol â Threfn Diogelu Plant y Sir, i sôn am y mater wrth Swyddog Diogelu Plant yr ysgol. Gall Swyddog yr ysgol ymgynghori â chyd-weithwyr proffesiynol yn ogystal ag asiantaethau perthnasol megis y Gwasanaethau Iechyd Cymdeithasol. Yn dilyn y trafodaethau hyn, efallai y bydd rhaid i gyd-gysylltydd yr Ysgol

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gyfeirio'r plentyn yn swyddogol i'r Adran Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol, yn unol â chanllawiau a phrotocol y sir . Yr Adran Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol sy'n penderfynu a oes angen gweithredu neu beidio. Oblegid natur y cyhuddiadau ni fydd bob amser yn briodol i drafod materion gyda'r rhieni cyn cyfeirio'r plentyn Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a'r Heddlu sy'n gyfrifol am ymchwilio i gyhuddiadau. Defnyddir rhaglen 'My Concern' ar gyfer nodi pryderon yn electronig.

Mrs Kathryn Penhale - Swyddog Dynodedig Amddiffyn Plant

Mrs Delith Battenbough - Swyddog Dynodedig Amddiffyn

Mrs Gaynor Smith yw'r llywodraethwr yn gyfrifol am Amddiffyn Plant.

Mae'r staff i gyd yn derbyn hyfforddiant ar ddiogelu plant yn flynyddol naill a'i gan yr Awdurdod Addysg Lleol neu gan yr ysgol. Ceir copi o'r polisi Amddiffyn Plant o'r swyddfa neu ar wefan yr Ysgol.

Diogelwch Ysgol

Nod yr ysgol yw darparu amodau iach a diogel i bawb sy'n dysgu a gweithio ynddi ac i roi gwybodaeth, hyfforddiant a goruchwyliaeth fel y bo'r galw i sicrhau hyn.

Yn y pen draw, yr AALL sydd â'r cyfrifoldeb dros lechyd a Diogelwch yn yr ysgol.

Mae cyfrifoldebau pawb - yr AALL, y Llywodraethwyr a'r ysgol i'w gweld ym Mholisi lechyd a Diogelwch yr AALL. Fel rhan o bolisi'r ysgol, mae mesurau diogelwch mewn grym i reoli mynediad i adeiladau'r ysgol. Rheolir mynediad drwy'r brif fynedfa. Dylai pob ymwelydd â'r ysgol fynd i'r dderbynfa i gael mynediad.

Mae'r ysgol yn agor am 8.40 y bore. Hyd yr amser yma, does dim goruchwyliaeth i ddisgyblion.

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Reporting to parents

Every child in the school will receive an annual written report during the second half of the Summer term. This report will provide parents with a summary of their child's progress and achievements in every aspect of school life during that academic year. The report will enable parents to trace their child's progress, and will provide achievable and realistic targets for the child to maintain or improve current standards of work. The first Parents' Evening of the academic year will be held around the mid-point of the Autumn term. This will be a rather more informal meeting: an opportunity for parents to find out how their child is settling and coping with a new teacher, new expectations, or even a new routine. A second Parent's Evening is held in the Spring term to discuss developments and to set targets for improvement.

Punctuality, Absence and Holidays

We encourage parents to will ensure the punctuality of their children. It is very important that children arrive at school in good time in the mornings; a pupil arriving late may seriously disrupt not only his or her continuity of learning but also that of others, not to mention that child's teacher and learning support staff.

If you child is absent, we would appreciate an oral or written explanation. Without this, your child's absence will be marked as 'unauthorised'. If your child is absent due to illness, we ask that you contact the school as early as possible on the first day of absence. The school or the Local Authority does not condone vacations during the school term. If holidays are unavoidable, applications for authorised absence during term time should be made to the headteacher. The maximum that may be considered is ten school days outside the normal school holidays. The form is available from the school office and website.

During the academic year 2022-23, our attendance percentage for full-time pupils (Reception to Year 6) was 92.14%.

Child Protection and Safeguarding Procedures

All members of staff within this school are responsible for the safety and protection of the children who attend. If there are concerns regarding neglect or physical, emotional or sexual abuse then, under the County's Child Protection Procedures, staff are duty bound to report the matter to the School's Designated Child Protection Officer. The school's Designated Officer may consult with professional colleagues as well as relevant agencies such as Health and Social Services. Following these discussions the school's Designated Officer may be obliged to make an official referral to the Social Services

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Department in accordance with county guidelines and protocol. It is the Social Services Department who decides on the next course of action. Due to the nature of allegations it may not always be appropriate to discuss matters with parents prior to making a referral. The responsibility for investigating allegations lies with Social Services and the Police. The school uses the 'My Concern' online tool to record any safeguarding issues.

Mrs Kathryn Penhale- Designated Child Protection Officer

Mrs Delith Battenbough - Designated Child Protection Officer.

Mrs Gaynor Smith is the governor with responsibility for Child Protection

All staff have received relevant Child Protection training, either by the Local Education Authority or by the school. A copy of our Child Protection policy can be obtained from the office or from the school's website.

School Safety

The aim of the school is to provide healthy and safe conditions for all pupils and employees and to give information, training and supervision, as needed, to ensure this. The ultimate responsibility for Health and Safety in the school rests with the L.E.A. The roles and responsibilities of all parties - L.E.A., Governors and School - are set out in the L.E.A. Health and Safety Policy. As part of the school's policy, safety measures are in force to control entry to all school buildings. All visitors to the school should report to the main reception and where entry will be ratified. **The school opens at 8.40 a.m. Until this time there is no supervision for pupils on the yard.**

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Trefniadau ar gyfer Archwilio Dogfennau

Yn ôl Deddf Diwygio Addysg 1988, mae hawl gan rieni, drwy drefniant blaenorol, weld amrywiol ddogfennau gan gynnwys Gorchmynion y Cwricwlwm Cenedlaethol a'r Cynlluniau Gwaith a ddilynir. Gellir gwneud y trefniadau hyn gyda'r Pennaeth.

I Gloi...

Gobeithio i'r llawlyfr hwn roi ryw flas ar y ddarpariaeth a gynigir i'n plant yma yn Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais. Edrychwn ymlaen at y cyfle i weithio mewn partneriaeth glos gyda chi fel teulu i sicrhau bod eich plentyn yn cael pob cyfle i ddatblygu i'w lawn botensial mewn awyrgylch diogel, hapus. Os oes gennych unrhyw gwestiynau, cofiwch gysylltu â ni.

Access to Documents Arrangements

In accordance with the Education Act 1988, parents can by prior arrangements see the documents available under the Regulations, including the National Curriculum and Schemes of Work followed by the school. These arrangements should be made with the Headteacher.

Finally...

We hope that this handbook has given you a taste of the provision we offer at Ysgol Gymraeg Blaendulais. We look forward to the opportunity to working in close partnership with you as a family to ensure that your child reaches his/her full potential in safe, happy environment. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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Dyddiadau'r Tymor/ School Term Dates

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Cyfnod	Dyddiadau
Tymor yr Hydref 1	Dydd Gwener, 1 Medi i Dydd Gwener, 27 Hydref
Hanner Tymor yr Hydref	Dydd Llun, 30 Hydref i Dydd Gwener, 3 Tachwedd
Tymor yr Hydref 2	Dydd Llun, 6 Tachwedd i Dydd Gwener, 22 Rhagfyr
Gwyliau'r Nadolig	Dydd Llun, 25 Rhagfyr i Dydd Gwener, 5 Ionawr
Tymor y Gwanwyn 1	Dydd Llun, 8 Ionawr i Dydd Gwener, 9 Chwefror
Hanner Tymor y Gwanwyn	Dydd Llun, 12 Chwefror i Dydd Gwener, 16 Chwefror
Tymor y Gwanwyn 2	Dydd Llun, 19 Chwefror i Dydd Gwener, 22 Mawrth
Gwyliau'r Pasg	Dydd Llun, 25 Mawrth i Dydd Gwener, 5 Ebrill
Tymor yr Haf 1	Dydd Llun, 8 Ebrill i Dydd Gwener, 24 Mai
Hanner Tymor yr Haf	Dydd Llun, 27 Mai i Dydd Gwener, 31 Mai
Tymor yr Haf 2	Dydd Llun, 3 Mehefin i Dydd Gwener, 19 Gorffennaf

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Period	Dates
Autumn Term 1	Friday, 1 September to Friday, 27 October
Autumn Half Term	Monday, 30 October to Friday, 3 November
Autumn Term 2	Monday, 6 November to Friday, 22 December
Christmas Holiday	Monday, 25 December to Friday, 5 January
Spring Term 1	Monday, 8 January to Friday, 9 February
Spring Half Term	Monday, 12 February to Friday, 16 February
Spring Term 2	Monday, 19 February to Friday, 22 March
Easter Holiday	Monday, 25 March to Friday, 5 April
Summer Term 1	Monday, 8 April to Friday, 24 May
Summer Half Term	Monday, 27 May to Friday, 31 May
Summer Term 2	Monday, 3 June to Friday, 19 July