

Additional information about the Nursery class at
Ysgol Porth y Felin.

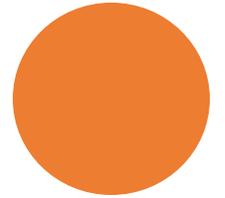
How can your child prepare for school?

- Nursery AM- 9.00- 11.30
- Teacher: Mrs Christine Morris-Jones and Mrs Kate Griffiths every Friday
- Nursery PM- 1.00-3.15
- Teachers: Mrs Delyth Roberts and Mrs Emma Roberts
- Nursery/Reception Teaching Assistants:
 - Mrs Carol Merrifield, Mrs Liz Brooks, Mrs Aine Teasdale, Mrs Lynne Hughes
- It is important that you prepare your child by talking to them positively about the new experiences they will be having. Starting school can be very tiring for most children. If your child comes home feeling tired, they will probably enjoy a quiet time with you. Get them ready for the next day by making sure that s/he goes to bed early. Be prepared for changes during the settling in period.



How Can You Help Your Child Prepare For School?

Be prepared to leave your child in school even if s/he is a little tearful. 99% of the time the children settle easily once the parent/guardian has gone. Your child will soon become engrossed in an activity, while you will still be worrying! If your child is severely distressed and remains so, we will contact you. Please encourage your child to walk in by themselves. The teacher will be by the Infant's gate to meet them. Encouraging your child to be independent does not mean you love them any less.



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- Uniform- Pale blue polo shirt, red sweatshirt/cardigan, navy trousers/skirt. The school uniform with the Porth y Felin logo can be bought at Boppers, Colwyn Bay and School Talk, Mostyn Street, Llandudno. We also have a uniform exchange on our school website where you can purchase 'nearly new' uniforms for a small contribution.
- As a school we realize the importance of outdoor learning for our pupils. We provide wet weather dungarees but ask if you could supply a pair of wellies in a plastic bag which your child will keep in school for outdoor activities.
- Their P.E lesson is every Friday. We kindly ask for them to come to school wearing joggers, a T-shirt and a pair of trainers. If the weather is cold, they will also need a jacket or sweatshirt.
- You will receive information about the theme and weekly activities through the Class dojo app. Class dojo is our main form of communication between home and school. You will receive your personal log in information when your child starts school in the new term.
- Drop off and pick up times- Due to the Covid situation we have a one-way system for you to enter and leave the school grounds. To bring the children to school you will enter through the overflow car park gate and leave through the gate near the bike shed onto the public path. At home time, you will enter through the bike shed gate and leave through the overflow car park gate. To keep everyone safe always wear a face covering and keep to the social distancing rules. If you are driving to school, we have an agreement with Conwy Council that Porth y Felin parents can park in the public car park for up to 20 minutes at the beginning and end of the school day. The annual permit can be purchased through the school in September.



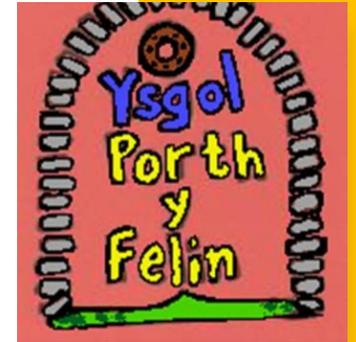
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- In the Spring term the children will receive a new book folder as a gift from the PTA. Your child will choose a story book for you to share and read together. The Reading folder will come home on a Thursday and returned the following Wednesday. The importance of reading for children cannot be underestimated. Reading for pleasure can benefit a child's education, social and cognitive development, their wellbeing, and their mental health. You will also receive a Jolly phonic letter book, this can be used to help your child to confidently recognize letter sounds.



Using the toilet independently

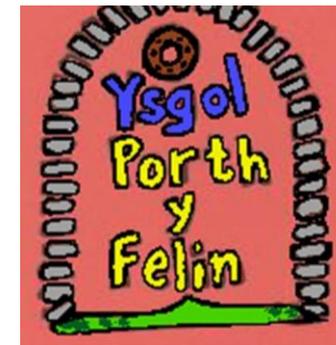
- We would appreciate if the children were out of nappies/pull ups when they start school and that they are able to use the toilet with some independence.
- We encourage them to use the toilet and wash their hands- we remind them frequently. We introduce the importance of washing hands through stories and songs.
- If accidents happen, we are there to reassure them and help them get changed. Please can you ensure that they have spare pants and clothes in their bags on the peg. In some situations, we might need to contact you as parent.
- If routine intimate care was to be provided, parents will need to inform the school. The child's needs will be discussed before completing a care agreement and consent form.



WASH YOUR HANDS



Healthy Snack



Tocyn- This is the Welsh word we use for snack time. The children receive a portion of fruit/vegetables with their milk each day. This is a social time that the children thoroughly enjoy. They have an opportunity to experience a variety of different fruit and vegetables which promotes the school's healthy eating scheme. We kindly ask you as parents for a termly contribution towards the cost. Please pay at the beginning of each term. More information will follow at the beginning of the new term.

Water bottles- The children bring their water bottles to school filled with only water due to the healthy school initiative (no flavoured water). The children can help themselves to a drink during the day. The bottles are brought home at the end of each day to be washed and refilled. Please use a transparent, plastic bottle. Please ensure that your child's name is written on the bottle.

Unfortunately, we are unable to accept any sweet treats (cake, sweets) following birthdays or holidays. If you require further information on the Welsh Assembly initiative, a copy of the guidelines is available in school.