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**Ysgol Mynydd Bychan**  
**Reception Class Information Sheet 2024-25**

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Welcome to Ysgol Mynydd Bychan's family  
"O'r Fesen Derwen a Dyf - Mighty Oaks from little acorns grow"



"We have a clear vision that every child has the inherent right to learn with emphasis on providing an environment where our pupils can develop educationally, culturally, socially and physically.

We believe that the role of each member of staff is to ensure that every child feels able and talented and have the opportunity to learn in a safe and caring setting".

**Staff Members**

**Head Teacher:**

Mrs Glesni Lloyd

**Deputy Head Teacher:**

Mr Iolo Williams

**Progression Steps 1 a 2 Leader:**

Mr Tomos Rogers

(Member of the Senior Management Team)

## Reception Class Staff

### Teachers

Mr Marc Jon Williams

(Member of the Senior Management Team, Safeguarding Officer)



Mrs Medi Jones



### **Learning Support Assistants**

Miss Elin Evans

Miss Gwen Thomas

## Reception times

### (Canada Road Entrance)

Start

9:00

Finish

3:15



## Physical Education Lessons

Thursdays - please come in PE clothes

Click [here](#) for a virtual tour of the Reception class.

Click [here](#) for a virtual tour form some of our Year 6 children

## School uniform

PARATOI EICH PLENTYN AR  
GYFER DECHRAU YSGOL

**Remember to label each piece of clothing!!**

Suitable black shoes need to be worn at school.

The uniform is available for purchase from the [YC Sports](#) shop.

A large number of Supermarkets now sell school uniform as well.

Look for: 'Jade / White school polo shirt/jumper'.

The PTA have a group on Facebook to organise the buying/selling/swapping of YMB school uniform to enable us to re-use, recycle clothes and also support our YMB families

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3547524565358718/>

## Pupil Development Grant

A Pupil Development Grant is available to assist families on a low income to buy school uniform, sports kit, uniform for enrichment activities, school bags, stationery etc. Please note IT equipment is excluded from this grant. Pupil Development Grant application form <https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/pupildevelopmentgrant>

We suggest that your child wears comfortable trousers and 'Velcro' shoes during the first term to help them dress independently.

The children will not need the correct PE uniform within the first half term - only comfortable clothing (T-shirt and shorts/leggings) and running shoes. You will get more information during the first term - PE on a THURSDAY.

You are welcome to send in a bag with spare clothing but we kindly ask you not to send any toys.



**Jewellery** - For Health and Safety reasons and that it is inappropriate with the school uniform, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school. It is a regulation of the Local Education Authority that earrings or any other jewellery must not be worn for P.E or games. If your child wears jewellery to school it is their responsibility at all times.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD?

- Encourage your child to use the toilet independently.
- Teach your child to wash his/her hands and reinforce this regularly so that he/she always remembers doing so.
- Teach your child to put his/her coat on independently.
- Encourage your child to tidy up and look after toys.
- Encourage your child to blow/dry nose independently

### In addition, we would appreciate it if you could:

- Help your child to hold a pencil and to recognise and form letters, name, short words and numbers independently.
- Talk to your child about the fun they have had in school by looking at SeeSaw photos - login information will follow in September.
- help your child recognise their name
- read books and watch Welsh programs with your child as often as possible (Cyw / Welsh Apps)
- Give your child the opportunity to use creative equipment at home e.g. crayons, pencils, paper, glue, scissors and paint

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USEFUL WELSH APPS

 Llyfrau Bach Magi Ann	 Cyfri gyda Cyw	 Duolingol	 Cyw Tiwb
 Tric a Chlic	 Sillafu Iaith Gyntaf	 Canu Selog 2	 Byd Cyw
 Ar y Fflem	 Betsan a Roco yn y Pentref	 Bys a Bawd	 Campau Cosmig
 Dewin a Doti	 Aur am Air	 Cyw a'r Wyddor	 Llyfrau Hwyl Magi Ann set 2



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BookTrust  
Cymru.

[Caru Canu gyda Cyw](#)

[Cyw S4C](#)



Snack and Milk



Unlike the nursery, you will need to provide fruit or a vegetable on a daily basis. We kindly ask you not to send in the dried fruit e.g. 'Yoyo Bear' or "Fruit Winders". We suggest that you cut fruit into pieces, especially grapes due to being a choking hazard. Children receive milk or water on a daily basis.

We do not accept nuts at snack time or lunchtime due to severe allergies within the school.

## School Dinners

Full-time pupils can have a hot lunch provided by Cardiff Council, or bring a packed lunch. Reception pupils are entitled to free school meals. School lunches must be ordered in advance with payment on Parent Pay. You will receive a code from Mrs Jenny Williams or Mrs Lynda Pennar, school secretaries. We request that to support our health education, packed lunches include a healthy choice of food and drink.

Packed lunch ideas [here](#).

**IMPORTANT - If your child has any allergies, it MUST be reported on the first day!**

## Head Lice



Please check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary, any long hair should be tied back



Your child's first day at school is to treasure and we will make every effort to make it a happy and memorable one for everyone.

Both Reception classes will start on different days, this gives the pupils the opportunity to settle in and get used to new faces as well

as their new learning environment. It will also be a valuable opportunity for parents and staff to get to know each other. We kindly ask that you escort your child through the entrance on Canada Road and walk across the yard towards the red fence where Mr Williams and Mrs Jones will be there to greet and help you.

Mr Williams, Mrs Medi Jones along with Miss Elin Evans and Miss Gwen Thomas, will be available to guide your child into the classroom. There, a variety of engaging activities will be prepared, and the children will have easy access to play and wander around the classroom during their first session.

We ask that you say goodbye to your child in a happy manner. Some children are likely to be tearful when parents first leave them, but they soon get used to saying goodbye. If we feel that your child is still upset after a period of time, we will contact you.

When you collect your child at the end of the session, we ask that you wait outside the Reception class on the rear yard. We will transfer children safely to their parent / guardian individually.

**REMEMBER to let the staff know if a different person will be collecting your child, whether by phone or verbally. We will not allow a child to go home with any people we do not recognise.**

### Medication / Accidents

We do not have the right to administer any medicines such as Calpol, Nurofen etc which do not have a doctor's prescription. If your child needs medication from a doctor you will need to complete a medication form which is available from the office.





If your child falls / is injured we will fill in an accident form and let you know. If your child has a bump to the head, we will call you immediately to discuss.

### Further information

- Breakfast Club - Doors open at 8.25 and close at 8.40. If you require information please contact the Office.

- After school club - A Club is run by a company called PlayWorks. Contact 02920 864780, or [enquiries@playworks-childcare.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@playworks-childcare.co.uk) for further discussion.

- Parent Teachers Association - A 'Facebook' page is available with information about the school, as well as a school uniform page offering free uniforms, search for:

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