



## Newsletter- March 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We have lots of exciting things to celebrate and learn about this month.

We have already celebrated St David's Day and World Book Day and we are really looking forward to what we have planned for Mother's Day and Red Nose Day. We just wish the circumstances were different and we were able to welcome all Mums, Nans and any other Mother figures into setting for a celebration morning.

As you can see below, we are also trialling extending opening times and we hope that these times will help to support you.

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Kind regards,

Rebecca

### Our Journey to School Readiness

We understand that the transition from Meithrinfa to Reception can be a big leap. This is why we are dedicated to giving the children access to focused activities that help build their skills ready for starting school.

**March's School Readiness focus is:**

**Developing listening skills/counting  
10-20**

We will be focusing on:

- **Playing listening and concentration games**
- **Following patterns e.g clapping, banging, stamping**
- **Learning and practising the tricky teen numbers between 10 and 20**

### **EXTENDED OPENING HOURS & CLWB SÊR MÔR!**

We are very excited to announce that we are extending our opening hours from 8<sup>th</sup> March to open at 7:30am, to include an Early Breakfast session for siblings who will get dropped off at Ysgol Gynradd Beaumaris at 8am. From 5<sup>th</sup> April, we will also be trialling a later closing time of 5pm. This is open to all Meithrinfa children and also any children from the school. These sessions are only able to continue as long as they remain viable for our charity to run. For this reason, if you would like to book your child into use them, please let us know. Or, if you do not need the longer days, please spread the word out to families that do so that we can continue to support our families that need the extra hours of childcare.

Also, with the Government guidelines relaxing, we are pleased to be able to offer our Holiday Club provision (now called Clwb Sêr Môr sessions) during the Easter Holiday. This is once again open to all children, as well as to children from other schools/settings.



## Parent/Carer Bulletin

### COVID 19 Update

In line with Government guidelines and procedures our setting has now been given lateral flow tests for staff to carry out on themselves twice per week. This is to ensure that we can identify when a member of staff may have COVID even if they are asymptomatic.

We are asking that you let us know if your child has exhibited any symptoms of COVID 19 since we last saw them, and you may be asked this at the start of each session. This is to try and eliminate as much risk as possible of transmitting the virus within Meithrinfa.

We are also continuing to ask that all parents/carers wear a mask or face covering when dropping off and collecting your child.

### Please leave a review on our public Facebook Page

We are really trying hard to promote our setting to more families in order for us to grow. We would really appreciate it if you could leave us a review on our public Facebook page, and share it with anyone you may know that needs childcare, after school care or Holiday Club. Please scan the QR code and leave your comments for other families to see.



### Dates for the Diary for March

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>- Mother's Day-** Keep an eye on your emails/Class Dojo account as you may be sent a special video!

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup>- Red Nose Day-** We will be wearing red and holding a Dance-a-thon!  
- The children and grown-ups will be doing some form of Music and Movement all day to raise money for a good cause. We would really appreciate it if you could bring a donation in as sponsorship. We understand we are in strange times so anything would be amazing.

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March-9<sup>th</sup> April- Easter Holidays-** We will be operating our Clwb Sêr Môr Holiday Club provision for all Meithrinfa children, their siblings and any other children in the community.