

**BRYN COCH PRIMARY SCHOOL
MOLD**



**NURSERY
INDUCTION**



2021/2022



Ysgol Bryn Coch

Dear Parent/Carer / Annwyl Rhieni/Gofalwyr

I wish to extend a warm welcome to you and your child.

It is hoped that this little booklet will help you and your child during the first days in the Nursery. Although it appears to be a simple publication it does point the way to the creation of a happy atmosphere in which your little one will develop with other children.

Particular problems can be discussed with Mrs Gilbert, Mrs Heycocks, Mrs Stone, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Staniforth or myself.

Yours sincerely

L M Williams
Headteacher

PS Children can start nursery school in September if they are three years old by August 31st of that calendar year.

Meet the Nursery Staff



Mrs A Gilbert
Head of Nursery



Mrs L Heycocks
HLTA



Mrs J Stone
Classroom Asst



Mrs E Edwards
Classroom Asst



Mrs N Staniforth
Classroom Asst

Details you may wish to note:

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	School Opens	School Closes
Autumn Term 2021	Thursday 2nd September	Thursday 21st October
	Monday 1st November	Tuesday 21st December
Spring Term 2022	Thursday 6th January	Friday 18th February
	Monday 28th February	Friday 8th April
Summer Term 2022	Tuesday 26th April	Friday 27th May
	Monday 6th June	Tuesday 19th July

Please note the school will be closed on the following dates:

Training Days*	Bank Holiday
01.09.21 22.10.21 22.12.21 25.04.22 20.07.22	02.05.22

Please note training days can be subject to change.

There will be a phased entry into Nursery commencing the second week and children will be divided into sub-groups.

**Please note Staff Training Days & Bank Holiday
(School will be closed to children):**



Nursery Session Times

Morning Session: 8:50 am- 11:20 am
*(Doors will be open for drop off between 8.45-9 and for
collection between 11.10-11.20)*

Afternoon Session: 12.45 pm – 3:15 pm
*(Doors will be open for drop off between 12.45-1 and for
collection between 3.10-3.20)*

Nursery runs on a part time rota basis.

**The children alternate between mornings and
afternoons on a half-termly basis.**

**This means that they will be mornings for one half
term, then afternoons the next.**

**Please remember to inform the teacher if a
different adult is coming to meet your child from
nursery.**

What happens in a typical Nursery session?

8.50 am / 12.45 pm The children arrive in school.

The children hang their coats and bags on their pegs then register themselves by finding their name and posting it in Postman Pat's postbox!

The children can then choose from some play activities indoors for a few minutes, followed by a formal registration in the quiet room when we hear the 'hello song' come on!

The children are in either Nursery A or B. They will spend some time on the carpet together—looking at new skills, sharing stories and news and introducing the daily activities. The children will then go off to choose their own activities.

During the session the children will choose where to go and work freely with all of the children and staff. Throughout the session the children will be able to work indoors and outdoors. Activities are facilitated by the adults.

The children have continuous snack which means that they can come and choose to have their snack whenever they are hungry. At the end of the session we have 'amser tacluso' which is when the children tidy up. This is then followed by a story/game on the carpet.

11.20 am / 3.15 pm Home time!

Theme

Nursery work is planned throughout the year around a series of loose topics – usually related to stories, for example 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' / 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. Please encourage your child to bring in any items of interest relating to each current topic.

Toys

Toys may be needed as a comforter at the beginning of the Nursery year but are discouraged as soon as the children settle, as they get upset if their special toy is mislaid or broken.

Before I start Nursery it will help me so much if I can...



Go to the toilet on my own (and wipe my bottom)



Wash my hands



Put my coat on and take it off all by myself
Fasten my buttons or zip



Put my shoes on and take them off



Try to use a knife and fork when I am eating



Tidy my own things away - I will be expected to do this in Nursery!

I am going to have a brilliant year in Nursery – you won't believe how much I will grow!



I will make so many new friends and will learn to play happily and confidently with them.

I will learn to share my ideas and listen to those of my friends



I am going to learn to become independent

I am in charge of choosing where I am going to work and what I am going to do.



The grown ups will help me to develop my skills and confidence, teaching me so many new things along the way.

Please talk to your child about school and tell him/her that it is a friendly and happy place.

If you are happy and positive about school your child will be too.





I will need £1.50 per week for a healthy snack including my special snack on a Friday. If possible, please pay for the full half term at once. We will send an envelope requesting the correct amount owing.

Please speak to a member of staff if you would prefer to pay weekly.

We have continuous snack in Nursery.

This means that we can choose when in the session we would like to stop to have our snack.

It is a wonderful opportunity for us to:

- ◆ develop our social skills
- ◆ select and prepare our own food and drink
- ◆ wash up our plates and cups etc ourselves.

We have a different 'healthy' snack each week. Apples and bananas are always available too.

Before having snack, we need to wash our hands and post our names

We choose our snack from the work surface.
We know how much we can choose by looking at the number.

We sit around the snack table with our friends.
We can choose to have either milk or water to drink.



We develop so many skills such as peeling, spreading, spooning, cutting and pouring



We wash our own things when we have finished.
This is our favourite bit of all!



Fridays are different!

On a Friday we have our 'special snack'.

We all sit together and have something special to eat – such as pasta, pizza, beans on toast.

On a Friday we don't have to wash up as the Nursery Staff wash up for us!

We enjoy sitting with all our friends and sharing our special snack!

Mummy and Daddy will you:

Let me help you! I can set the table, help with the washing up and tidy my things away.



Please sit and look at books and talk about them with me.

Sing simple songs and Nursery rhymes with me

Help me to count to 10



Play games with me

Help me to recognise my name. I should use the letter sounds to help me read my name.

Encourage me to 'make marks' – using pens, chinks, crayons etc. I will find it much easier to develop my control if I can do this. If and when I am ready, please practise writing my name with me. Start with just the first letter (upper case) then the others (lower case) when I have mastered this!



Some of the areas in which we can work

sand area	water area	book area	gardening
			
I.C.T.	role play	numeracy area	construction
			
workshop	small world	P.E.	Music area
			
block area	graphics area	nature area	creative area
			

I will need:

- To wear Velcro shoes for Nursery, NOT laces. I will be changing my shoes all the time for outdoor play and need to be able to do this independently.



- A bag to keep in Nursery. Play can be messy and at times we may need to change your child into spare clothing. We will send home a bag for a change of clothes (trousers, top, underwear and socks). Please send back to school labelled with your child's name . The bag will be kept in Nursery.
- * Please ensure that these clothes are old! We may never need to change your child into them and it would be a shame to have good clothes just sitting there!



**Please remember to label
all clothes, footwear and
bags!**

- PE
Children will have formal PE sessions after Christmas. These take place in the hall. The children will have bare feet and so will not require any pumps.



Please Mum and Dad, do not be late as I shall be unhappy!

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Punctuality is important to the children. Good routine firms a basis for mainstream school. Please remember to contact the school office via ParentMail App, seesaw or by phone/email if your child is absent.

Parents are welcome to bring the children into the nursery classroom to settle them in during the first few weeks, but will be asked as the year progresses to help create independence in the children by saying goodbye at the main door.



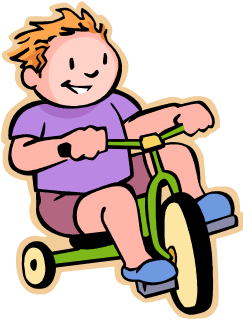
Home visits

In order to ease the transition for your little ones between home and school, we will be arranging home visits to take place during the first week of school.

It is a great opportunity for you to get to know us in a familiar environment, and we can get to know a little bit about your child's interests before they come to school. It is also a good opportunity for you to discuss any concerns or questions that you or your child may have.

Starting school can be a daunting experience for children. They are thrown into a busy new environment with unfamiliar grown ups who they have never really met. If they recognise our faces, and if we can talk to them a little about their toys, their pets or their family etc, the children will settle faster into their setting.

A member of the Nursery team would like to pop to see you for around 20 minutes – just enough time for a quick play, chat and a cuppa! We will bring a selection of toys and resources that will be out when children start school.



Outdoor Play



The door to the nursery garden will be open all the time. I can choose whether I want to work inside or outside.

If it is rainy or wet, I can put on the wellies and waterproof clothing that they have in school – there is so much to do in the rain!



Clothes

Please send me to school in clothes that I can get a bit dirty. Sometimes learning can be messy!

I will be busy exploring outside and inside, and I don't want to worry about spoiling my best clothes.

Jogging bottoms and a t-shirt/jumper will be ideal.

**Please tell my
teacher if I am
not well or need
to take my
medicine**



- *School staff must be advised of any medical conditions before your child comes to school.*
- *Medicines must be given to the Class Teacher and a form from the office will need to be filled in.*
- *Please phone or email school office to report an absence.*

Thank you for your cooperation.

Downloading Seesaw App

1. Search for “Seesaw Parent Access” in the iTunes App Store, Google Play Store or Kindle Fire Store and download the app.

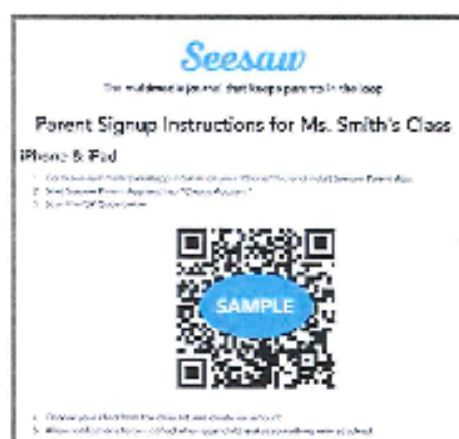


2. Tap “Create Parent Account”* and scan the QR Code provided by your classroom teacher

3. Create your account. Allow notifications to

get real-time updates and check out what's in your child's journal.

*If you already have an account, just sign in to your account, and choose “+Add Journal” from the left menu.



iOS and Android Smartphones

1. Search for “Seesaw Parent Access” in the iTunes App Store, Google Play Store or Kindle Fire Store.
2. Download the app and scan the QR Code in the handout sent home with your child.
3. Create an account* and allow notifications to start getting notified about new items

Other Smartphones & Computers

1. Go to the link provided by the teacher in any web browser (email or handout)
2. Choose your child from the class list and create an account
3. After you've been approved by your child's teacher, you'll get access to their journal

*If you already have an account, just sign in to your account, and choose “+Add Journal” from the left menu.

A screenshot of the Seesaw Parent app's "CREATE ACCOUNT" screen. The screen shows a form with the following fields: "First Name" (John), "Last Name" (Appleseed), "Parent Email" (example@gmail.com), and "Password" (Required). The screen also has a back arrow on the left and a green checkmark on the right.

Our Golden Rules



- ◆ We are gentle
- ◆ We are honest
- ◆ We listen
- ◆ We are kind and helpful
- ◆ We look after property
- ◆ We work hard

GENERAL INFORMATION

The structure of the Nursery day will change during the year to facilitate easier passage into mainstream school. During the third term the children will join infants on the yard and will attend infant assemblies.

We want the Nursery year to be a happy experience for your child where he/she will experience many interesting and enjoyable activities.

Above all we aim to provide the children with security and love in a happy, caring environment.



We value parental support and hope to see you at various events during the year. We will have parents meetings in October to discuss how your child has settled in as well as regular updates via Seesaw.

We are always available to have a chat with you about how your child is getting along in Nursery – all the staff are friendly and welcoming, so please feel free to approach class teachers at any time.

Please don't hesitate to inform us of any problems concerning your child, however trivial they may seem. In this way you can help us to help your child.