



7th February 2025

NEWSLETTER

It has been another busy week here at Maes Ebbw. I thought I would share some lovely photos of the pupils learning this week.

Brian Injury Group

The Brain Injury group visited us again this week and were very helpful. The ladies provided excellent information to the parents in group on Wednesday. The parents felt it was helpful and they all took away something useful and to think about. The representatives were more than happy to help our parents in any way they could and broke down any information that may have been overwhelming.

They have offered to come into school more often to give more specific advice on areas that the parents needed support with such as form filling, grants etc. They even offered 1:1 session with the parents to go through things in detail and help in any way that they can. Please keep an eye out for the next session as I am sure you will find the information very useful.

Survey on Play Sufficiency

Every three years, the Local Authority is required to assess children and young people's opportunities for play, recreation and leisure, as part of a comprehensive Play Sufficiency Assessment. This assessment includes consultation with children and young people, to ensure that their voices and opinions are recorded.

As our pupils may not be able to read and answer the questions, we are sending the survey out for you to fill in on behalf of your children, so that their voices are heard as part of the survey.

A template for this has already been developed in two easy to use formats – the paper based version attached or via the online link <https://online1.snapsurveys.com/big-play-survey-2025>.

The deadline for responses to this consultation is Monday 10th March 2025

FaceBook Page

As some of you are aware, there is a Maes Ebbw Parents facebook page. This account NOT operated by school, this is a **parent led** account with information aimed at the parents of children attending Maes Ebbw School. If you have any questions relating to this please comment on their page.

New Menu

There is a short term new menu starting Monday next week, a copy of this is attached.

Welsh word of the week

Welsh word of the week is - "drink or to drink — "diod or yfed"

DATA COLLECTION

You should all have now received a white envelope containing data regarding your child. Thank you to all those who have already returned them already. Please could these be checked, signed and returned to school as soon as possible. It is very important that we have up to date information for your child whilst they are at school.

DATES

February Half Term: - School closed Monday 24th Feb—Friday 28th February.

Easter Holidays:- School closed Monday 14th April—Friday 25th April

INSET Day—School closed on Monday 28th April

Bank Holiday—School closed on Monday 5th May

INSET Day—School closed on Monday 21st July

Pupils will finish school on Friday July 18th 2025.

Maes Ebbw Ball

Don't forget to get your tickets for the annual ball taking place in May. Last year it was a very successful, wonderful evening, everyone who went had a brilliant time, enjoying a fabulous meal, listening to the live music and dancing the night away to the disco.

The ball raised a large amount of money which made a huge contribution to funding the new light room. The pupils attending Maes Ebbw School benefit from all monies raised during these fundraising events.

The next ball is being planned for Saturday 3rd May.

If you are interested in supporting this event and purchasing tickets then please contact Janine Spencer on 07399477093.



Pupils from Dosbarth Coedwig went over to our Bach site to take part in some work experience activities. They were very busy painting, sawing, gardening and enjoying their cuppa in the Bach Cafe. They really enjoyed being with the older students.



