Maes Ebbw School Newsletter

6 November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

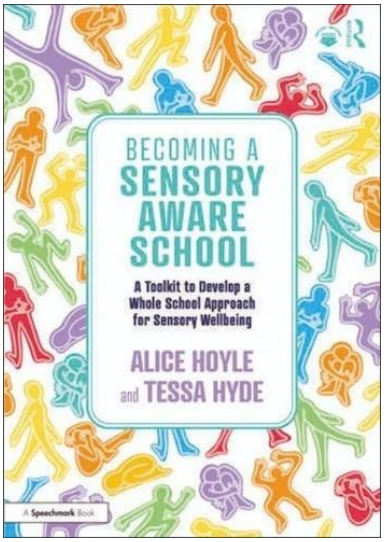
I hope that you all had a good half term. The pupils have had a busy first week back in school and have enjoyed taking part in a range of different activities.

Staff took part in various training sessions on Monday including;

- Two Rhythms
  Unique, therapeutic programmes enabling expression and connection
- ELKLAN
  Supporting the development of speech, language and communication
- Safeguarding

Sensory Aware School

We are incredibly proud that Maes Ebbw School has been featured as a case study in the new book Becoming a Sensory Aware School (2nd edition) by Alice Hoyle and Teresa Hyde. The inclusion of our school reflects the outstanding work that takes place every day to support pupils' sensory needs and create an environment where every learner can succeed. Special congratulations go to our sensory team, Caroline Morgan, Rebecca Cochrane and Menna Lewis, whose dedication, knowledge and commitment have been instrumental in this achievement. Bethanie Whitby, one of our Sensory & Communication Leads, works incredibly hard at running the interventions agreed at panel. It is wonderful to see their work, and that of the wider school community, recognised in a national publication.



1st Edition

School Photographer

The photographer will be visiting us on Wednesday 11th November. All students will have their photo taken on this day unless you inform us otherwise.

Welsh Word of the Week

Bonfire Night – Nosan Tan

Term Dates and Inset Days

End of Term:	Friday 18 December 2026
Spring Term:	Tuesday 5 January to Friday 5 February 2027
Half Term:	**Monday 8 to Friday 12 February 2027**
Spring Term:	Tuesday 16 February to Friday 19 March 2027
Inset Days:	**Monday 4 January 2027**
	Monday 15 February 2027
	Monday 5 April 2027
	Tuesday 20 July 2027

Sensory & Communication Support Service

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Sensory & Communication Support Service

The SENCOM new website is now live, providing a central hub for professionals, families, and partners across all five local authorities.

The website has been designed to make it easier than ever to access information, resources, and support in one convenient location.

The website includes:

- Details of upcoming events, workshops, and social opportunities
- Resources and information for parents and carers
- Guidance on the referral process and eligibility criteria
- Information about our teams and the support available
- News, updates, and useful resources
- Much more to support children, young people, families, and professionals

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