

# MAES EBBW SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

**16<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

We've had another busy and exciting week in school, and we're delighted to share some key updates with you. Some photo's are attached for you to view.

## [Hydrotherapy Pool – Lifeguard Training](#)

This week, several staff members updated their lifeguard qualifications. This means we can continue to offer safe, high-quality hydrotherapy sessions to our students, supporting their physical and sensory development.

## [Liquid Listening – Amazing Therapeutic Approach.](#)

Our new speaker, sound, and lighting system in the pool is working brilliantly. A specially trained team of staff are now delivering Liquid Listening, a calming and therapeutic experience designed to help students:

- increase engagement
- develop focus
- relax in a sensory-rich environment

It's already making a noticeable difference for our pupils who experience it.

## [Attendance Matters – Miss School, Miss Out](#)

We continue to work hard on improving attendance across the school. Every day that your child is well enough to attend, they should be in school. Being here gives them the best opportunity to:

- learn new skills
- practise communication
- build independence
- enjoy meaningful experiences with peers and staff

Thank you for your support with this.



## Reports

Please look out for a white envelope next week, this will contain your child's Autumn report. The final report is issued at the end of the Summer Term, but we hope you enjoy reading what your child has been achieving during the Autumn Term.



## Cookery/Attention Autism

A reminder that we kindly ask for £5.00 donations each half term to contribute to the cost of the ingredients that we purchase for Attention Autism and Cookery sessions. Thank you to those who have already donated, this is greatly appreciated. Donations can be placed via the parent pay system.

## Seesaw Support

Need help with Seesaw?

Whether it's messaging or checking updates about your child's day, we're here to help.

Please contact us on 815480 or email your questions to

maes.ebbw@newportschools.wales



## Calon Hearts

We have received some important information from the above charity – Please see below.

### **Newport Heart Screening – Book Now**

Every week, young people lose their lives to undiagnosed heart conditions, many of which could be detected with a simple heart screening.

Newport Heart Screening will take place on **Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at Rougemont School, Llantarnam Hall, Malpas Road, Newport. NP20 6**

### **Free heart screenings for ages 16-26**

Part funded screenings available for those aged 27+ (£299.00) – Bupa equivalent would be £1,181.00

The screening includes ECG, ECHO & specialist consultation  
Peace of mind before sport, fitness challenges or everyday life  
Early detection saves lives, don't wait for symptoms

### **Book your screening today:**

[www.calonhearts.org/screenings](http://www.calonhearts.org/screenings)

02922 402670

Delivered by Calon Hearts UK – the Heart Screening & Defibrillator Charity  
Kind Regards – Selina Gangar Admin Officer at Calon Hearts



**Students at our Bach site received a visit from "Shed of Science". The company came on site and performed a play about Pollution and how we can help to create a cleaner environment. They engaged the pupils in various games and dancing all of which were thoroughly enjoyed by our pupils.**

