

OYSTERMOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL



Welcome Back to School!

Welcome to the new academic year at Oystermouth Primary School!

I have taught at the school for over twenty years and I know how important your children are to you. With this in mind, I can not tell you what a privilege it is to take on the role of Acting Headteacher.

I want all the children who attend Oystermouth to be very happy in school. I strongly believe that a child who enjoys being in school will gain maximum benefit from their primary education.

We are very excited about the year ahead, as a team we want to move the school forward: we

want to set the highest standards in behaviour, teaching and learning.

This will be the last paper Newsletter you will receive. In future they will be posted on the school website.

We will inform you via a text when a Newsletter has been put on the website.

If you would prefer a paper copy or you change any personal information please let the Office Staff know.

Your child will receive a Topic Web from each teacher which tells you what is being covered in the class during the term ahead. This helps you to know that when you ask the usual question of, 'What did you do

in school today?', and the answer is, 'Nothing!', you will be able to refer to the Topic Web to know that this is not the case!

Teachers will also send out letters informing you of dates for visits, visitors, Consultation times, etc. These will also be posted on the school website.

Please come and speak to me if you have any concerns about your child's education or if you have any positive suggestions to make concerning the school.

**My door is
always open!
Mrs Morgan**

www.oystermouthprimaryschool.com

I would like to say a **big** thank you to Mr Al Khafaji (Parent of Kais, Y3). He has been instrumental in updating the school website.

Each teacher will have a Class Page on the website, including a Welcome Letter, Topic Web and photos. Whole School Term Planners and Dates can be downloaded.

Also on the website is a Calendar, School Policies, Learning Support, Y Siarter Iaith, Pupil Voice information, PTA updates, links to useful websites and lots more!

Autumn Term 2018

September
Newsletter



Punctuality

School starts at 8.50 am and pupils need to be in school at that time. Lessons start immediately and pupils could miss a valuable part of the introduction if they arrive late.

If your child is going to be absent please phone the school as soon as possible, choose the absence line and leave your child's name and reason. It is important that you inform us, especially if your child has an infectious illness.

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Volunteers

We are very grateful to the parents and grandparents who volunteer in school on a regular basis. These volunteers play educational games with the children, help with Guided Reading sessions, read stories to the children or generally help in the classroom.

If there are any parents or grandparents who would like to become a school volunteer and can spare some time on a regular basis, please let me know.

Your help and support is very much appreciated!

New Enterprise Workshops with Mini-Media Creative Workshops

Tuesday 3:30pm—4:30pm
Key Stage 2 Art Room
Starts September 11th
£6 per session

Come and be creative, learn new enterprise skills and work on some great projects to raise money for the school.

To book a place email:
info@mini-mediacreatives.com

Educational Visits

These play an essential part in the curriculum. The visits can be a starting point to a topic or a reinforcement of work being done in the classroom. The visit is always followed up by work in the school, so it is vital that children participate, otherwise they are at a disadvantage.

We always try to keep the cost to a minimum. For each visit a Consent Form must be filled in and returned along with the payment, unless you are paying through sQuid. We would like to be able to offer these visits free of charge but we are not in a position to do so, therefore it is essential that we receive payment, otherwise the visit may be cancelled.

P. T. A.

I would like to say a **huge** thank you to the parents and children who gave up their time to help during the summer holidays. We are trying to make the school look fresh and exciting—although there is still much to be done. If you have any free time and would like to help improve the school grounds please contact Victoria Woodman, PTA Secretary, or myself. I really would appreciate your help in making the school look more appealing.

The PTA works very hard to provide money to buy equipment which all your children will benefit from. Please help them to help your children.

PTA Dates for your Diary -

PTA AGM:

Wednesday 19th September
6:30pm—Key Stage 2 Hall

Halloween Disco:

Wednesday 24th October
Foundation Phase 5:15pm - 6:15pm
Key Stage 2 6:30pm — 7:30pm

Parents Christmas Night Out:

Friday 14th December
More details to follow!

Pupil Voice

At Oystermouth Primary we place Pupil Voice at the heart of everything we do. This term we are introducing something new! Our '**Senedd**' will include **every** Key Stage 2 child and every teacher. We have created seven groups, each focusing on an area of our school development. The groups are directed by a Chair, a Vice Chair and a Secretary each elected by their group.

Action plans will be created and visions shared with all members of our community; pupils, staff, parents and governors.

The Parliament All Key Stage 2 pupils and teachers are members of the Parliament.

The Government Made up of seven groups and a teacher.

- Communication
- Criw Cymraeg

- Digital Wizards
- Wellbeing
- Learning Environment
- Eco
- Rights

The Cabinet

Made up of the Pupil Chair and Vice Chair from each group, Acting Headteacher and a member of the Governing Body.

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club is run by the school. The club starts at 8am.

The children are offered cereal, fruit, toast, milk and fruit juice.

There is a charge of £1, per pupil, per session which can be paid at the start of the week or on arrival. There is no requirement to book for the Breakfast Club.

Fruit Tuck Shop

The Key Stage 2 children can buy an item of fruit to eat during morning break—30p a day or £1.50 for the week.

Wrap Around

The school provides a Full Day Care Service. We are CIW registered and provide families with child care from 8am to 5:30pm every day. We accept children from the age of 2 onwards.

The Wrap Around staff take on board the Foundation Phase curriculum and work closely with the teachers. The indoor and outdoor environments are fun, exciting, stimulating and safe—promoting children's development and natural curiosity to explore and learn through first-hand experience.

To book a place email:
oystermouthfunclub@hotmail.com

After School Club

The school provides an After School Club. We are CIW registered and provide families with child care from 3:20pm to 5:30pm every day.

Charges are as follows:

3:30pm — 4:30pm £6 / sibling discount £5

3:30pm — 5:30pm £8 / sibling discount £7

To book a place email
Miss Stocks:

StocksL3@hwb.cymru.net

When the weather is appropriate the After School Club children play in the KS2 playground.

If your child is not in After School Club, please leave the KS2 playground by **3:45pm**.

Welsh—Siarter Iaith Gymraeg

Our school is working to achieve the Cymreag Campus Language Charter. We are trying to increase the use of Welsh by pupils, staff and the wider community. We have ten targets to achieve for the Bronze Award. Our school has an active Criw Cymraeg—a group of pupils who promote Welsh.

Children who learn a second language, especially at an early age, do better when learning the skills of their home language.

The aim of the Language Charter is to inspire our children to use Welsh in all aspects of their lives.

On 15th October the school will be celebrating Shwmae Su'mae Day! It is an opportunity to promote the Welsh language. It aims to encourage everyone to start a conversation with "Shwmae" or "Su'mae". I would like to invite any parent or grandparent who speaks Welsh or can promote the Welsh language in any way to come in to school on 15th October—more details to follow.

Uniform

We would like all pupils to wear the correct school uniform:

Boys—Grey or black trousers

Girls— Navy or black skirt or trousers (Winter)

Girls—Light blue gingham dress (Summer)

Light blue or white polo shirt

Sweatshirt with School logo

Black Shoes

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name.

Fluence Nasal Spray Vaccine

The children's flu vaccine is offered annually as a nasal spray to young children to help protect them against flu. The vaccination will take place on 12th October 2018. The Consent Forms will be sent home next week. It is important that you complete the form and return it to school, even if you wish your child NOT to receive the vaccination.

sQuid

In line with the City & County of Swansea, we now operate a "cashless" system which means we no longer accept cash payment for school meals. If you would like your child to have school meals, you have to download the app and transfer money to cover the cost. The school will check and inform you if you need to "top up" your account. **As from September 2018 the cost of a school meal will be £2.30.**

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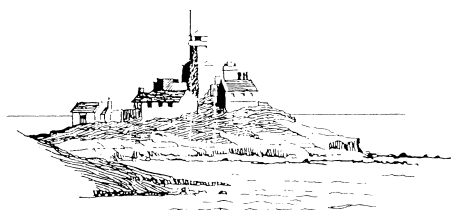
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'Achievement Through Challenge'



Oystermouth Primary School

Vision Statement

'Our school will seek to provide an imaginative, broad and balanced interpretation of the curriculum in inspiring, caring and secure classroom, home and wider school environments.

We want children of all potential, abilities and talents to enjoy learning and to develop as independent and motivated thinkers and learners whose achievements are recognized in all areas of the curriculum and personal experience.

We work to create a climate of tolerance, respect, mutual communication and support wherein all are willing to accept, and are proud of, the standards set by the school'.

Dates for your Diary

10.9.18—KS2 Pupil Voice Assembly	Meeting	5.12.18—Year 6 Film Club
17.9.18—KS2 Pupil Voice Meeting	24.10.18—PC Hadley—Operation Bang! Assembly	6.12.18—Year 1 Cake Sale
21.9.18—Rights Respecting School Class Charter Assembly	25.10.18—Nursery Cake Sale	7.12.18—Mathematics and Numeracy Sharing Assembly
27.9.18—MacMillan Milkshake Morning	26.10.18—Walk to School	10.12.18 Foundation Phase Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal—10:15am
28.9.18—Walk to School	29.10.18 — 2.11.18: HALF TERM	11.12.18 Foundation Phase Christmas Concert—10:15am
28.9.18—Tonia Antoniazzi MP Assembly	5.11.18—9.11.18—Parent Consultation Week	12.12.18 Foundation Phase Christmas Concert—10:15am
1.10.18—Individual / Family Photographs	7.11.18—Year 6 Film Club	13.12.18 Foundation Phase Christmas Concert—10:15am
3.10.18—Year 6 Film Club	9.11.18—Remembrance Assembly	18.12.18—KS2 Carol Service—2pm
12.10.18—Harvest Assembly	12.11.18—16.11.18—National Anti-Bullying Week	21.12.18—Term Ends
15.10.18—Shwmae Su'mae Day!	16.11.18—Children in Need Day	
19.10.18—Language, Literacy and Communication Sharing Assembly	19.11.18—Pupil Voice Meeting	
22.10.18—KS2 Pupil Voice	29.11.18—Reception Cake Sale	
	30.11.18—Walk to School	