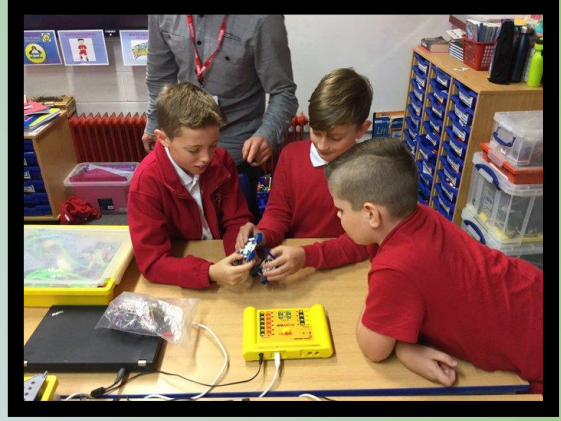


Weekly Newsletter

May 15th 2020

A Caring, Respectful and Open Environment, where Success and Opportunity flourish



Please find our school newsletter for the week ending 15th May 2020. Click on the links for more information.

Please visit our website
www.pentrepoethprimary.co.uk

Kind regards,
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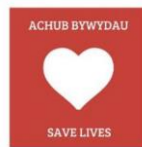
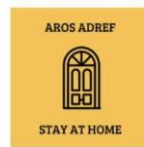
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15th May 2020



Cadw'n Ddiogel. Stay Safe.
Dal ati i Ddysgu. Stay Learning.

Dear Parent and Carer,
Annwyl Rhieni,

I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend last week. It was lovely to see many of the pictures of children involved in activities to celebrate VE Day.

Speculation about return to school.



The Prime Minister made an announcement at the beginning of the week regarding plans for children to return to school in **England**, starting with Reception, Years 1 and 6. Decisions regarding education are devolved to Wales. At the time of writing I am unaware of any decisions or plans here in Wales. The Education Minister in Wales, Kirsty Williams has given assurances that schools in Wales will not return until scientific evidence says it is safe to do so. There is a lot of speculation in the media at present. Please be reassured that as soon as I receive any information I will inform you of it and will explain clearly what that will mean for us here at Pentrepoeth.

Home Learning Exercise Books



We are very aware that many of you are nearly finishing the home learning exercise books that we sent home before school closed. If you need a new one please will you e mail Mrs Harman at school and we will arrange a time for you to collect from school, maintaining safe social distancing measures.





Admission to Reception September 2020

I will be writing to parents/ carers of **NEW** Reception children due to start with us in September on Monday. This will give parents as much information as possible about procedures for admission, including signposting parents and carers to a new Reception Welcome page where there will be welcome video clips from myself and staff. We will be collecting pupil information, consent forms and medical data via e mail. A copy of the School Prospectus will also be available on this page. Details regarding purchasing uniform will also be available in a few weeks.



Admission to Nursery September 2020

I will also be writing to parents/carers of **NEW** Nursery children due to start with us in September 2020. We will be asking you to fill in some paperwork regarding pupil information/ consent forms and medical data. Again, in that letter I will outline procedures for admission, including signposting parents and carers to a new Nursery Welcome page that will have some welcome video clips and a copy of our Nursery Prospectus. Details regarding purchasing uniform will also be available in a few weeks.

Please note that during this unprecedented period we are still unaware of when schools may reopen. This may have an impact on Nursery and Reception admissions. I will keep you up to date with information as I receive it.



Year 6 to Year 7 Transition

I have been chatting to Miss Lambe this week and we are making plans to make transition to Year 7 as smooth as possible. We will write to you next week with some more details. Please be assured as stated in my previous letter we will make sure you are well prepared whatever is announced in the next few weeks regarding any return to school date.



Teacher, Parent and Pupil Phone Calls

As stated in my letter on Monday, classteachers are making calls to chat to you and your child together, starting this week. These are predominantly wellbeing calls. If you need to chat to us about any issues please e mail the school on Pentrepoeth.primary@newport.gov.uk and Mrs Harman and Mrs Beynon will direct your e mail to the appropriate member of staff.



HOME LEARNING

It has been another busy week for our pupils from Nursery up to Year 6.

Lots of our children are continuing to develop new skills at home, including gardening, baking, sewing and even wallpapering!

Our **Nursery** pupils have been using their senses to record what they see, smell and hear in their gardens or on their daily walks. They have enjoyed making repeating patterns using natural objects and have even made their own "Petal Perfumes." They have had fun creating and trying to fly their own kites as well as keeping fit and healthy with Coco the Butterfly.

Reception children are continuing to practise their sounds and keeping their number skills sharp by playing fun maths games. They have enjoyed listening to Mrs Webb reading "Rumble in the Jungle" and learning Welsh with Mrs S Jenkins and her two Welsh teddies, Ianto and Coch Ci. They have listened to the story "Giraffes Can't Dance" and even made their own giraffes.

Our **Year 1** pupils have enjoyed listening to one of our favourite stories "The Gruffalo" with Mrs Hill. They have been re-telling the story as well as researching interesting information about their favourite pets. Mr Woodham has been helping pupils to talk about the weather in Welsh.

Year 2 children have enjoyed the story "Ping Won't Share" and have practised their reading in Welsh using "Byw yn China" They have been researching information about giant pandas and have produced very impressive PowerPoints. They have been investigating capacity in maths and enjoyed predicting how much water each of their chosen containers held.

Our **Year 3** children are continuing to keep their number skills sharp by using our Abacus and Mathletics games, as well as investigating equivalent fractions. They have been looking at similes, completed Factual Writing Reports based on plastic pollution as well as completing a bird watching project.

Pupils in **Year 4** have been writing non-chronological reports using information collected about Komodo Dragons. They have been developing their data handling skills, by interpreting pictograms and bar charts. Their creative challenge was to create a 3D model of a dragon.

Year 5 pupils have been looking at features of persuasive writing and trying to entice people to visit a country of their choice. They have collected lots of interesting information about their chosen country, as well as practising their Welsh conversations using their Welsh place mats.

Our **Year 6** pupils have enjoyed researching the Victorians and looking at the development of railways and how this impacted on leisure activities for Victorian people. Our Year 6 letters, inspirational messages and artwork have been delivered to the residents in one of our local care homes. Da iawn Blwyddyn 6, we are very proud of your efforts.



Home Learning Landing Page

At 6pm today when you log on to our website at www.pentrepoethprimary.co.uk you will be taken to a new Home Learning page. This will sit above our Main school website during this period of school closure and will have links to all the links and class pages you are regularly using. I hope you like the new look!!



There are a few new links for you to enjoy – there are new letters from year group teachers that children can read (or be read to). Staff are reading some stories aimed at Foundation phase (but probably enjoyed by all of us). There are also some favourite staff poems on the Poeth Poems page. Miss Roe has returned from maternity and has some videos to get us moving on the ‘Not Joe... but Miss Roe’ tab.

All usual tabs are still available. Please click on my new traffic patrolling friends to go to the main website or catch our latest news on Twitter. The links for admission will be available Monday evening.



Coronavirus

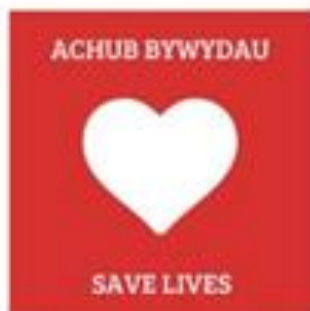


Click on the links below to find out useful information:

Public Health Wales	https://phw.nhs.wales/
Welsh Government	https://gov.wales/coronavirus
Guidance on Social Distancing	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults
Application for Childcare Provision in School Hub	http://www.newport.gov.uk/en/Schools-Education/Childcare-for-prioritised-key-workers.aspx
Aneurin Bevan Health Board	https://twitter.com/AneurinBevanUHB https://www.facebook.com/AneurinBevanHealthBoard

Some useful links to explain things to children:

Coronavirus	https://www.pentrepoethprimary.co.uk/health-matters
Social Distancing	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DA_SsZFYw0w
Hand Washing	https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51698180



If the school nurse can help in any way during this time, please ring on the number below.



School Nurses and Looked After Children's Services

Until further notice, our Services can be accessed via a:

'Daily Contact Line'

This service is available for parents & carers, schools, children and young people. Contact us for advice and support.

This service is available daily between the hours of:
10am until 2pm

 **07500 124208**

You Can also find us on:
FACEBOOK @SchoolnursingABUHB
TWITTER @SchoolUhb

Or check out our webpage: 



For many people things are difficult right now. We are supporting the NSPCC who are still here for children who need their support more than ever. If you are worried about a child, please call their helpline on 08088005000 or e mail help@nspcc.org.uk



About Rights

What date did this war end?

The United Nations is where all the countries in the World meet in New York.

The UN was set up after World War 2. It tries to help people live with respect for each other and in Peace.

Where is New York? Find it on the map.

These rules are called the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and gives children over 40 rights.

Children's rights tell you how you should be treated at home, in school, the community, when you see a doctor or go to an important meeting.

Who is your MP/AM?

A Government is a group of adults that makes the rules about how people in the country should live and treat each other. In Wales this group of people work in the Senedd in Cardiff.

InspireU believe that every adult and every child should know about their rights. That way children know how they should be treated and how they should treat others.

Do you know your Rights?

What is this day every year now called? What countries ratified the convention?

All Children in the World have Rights.

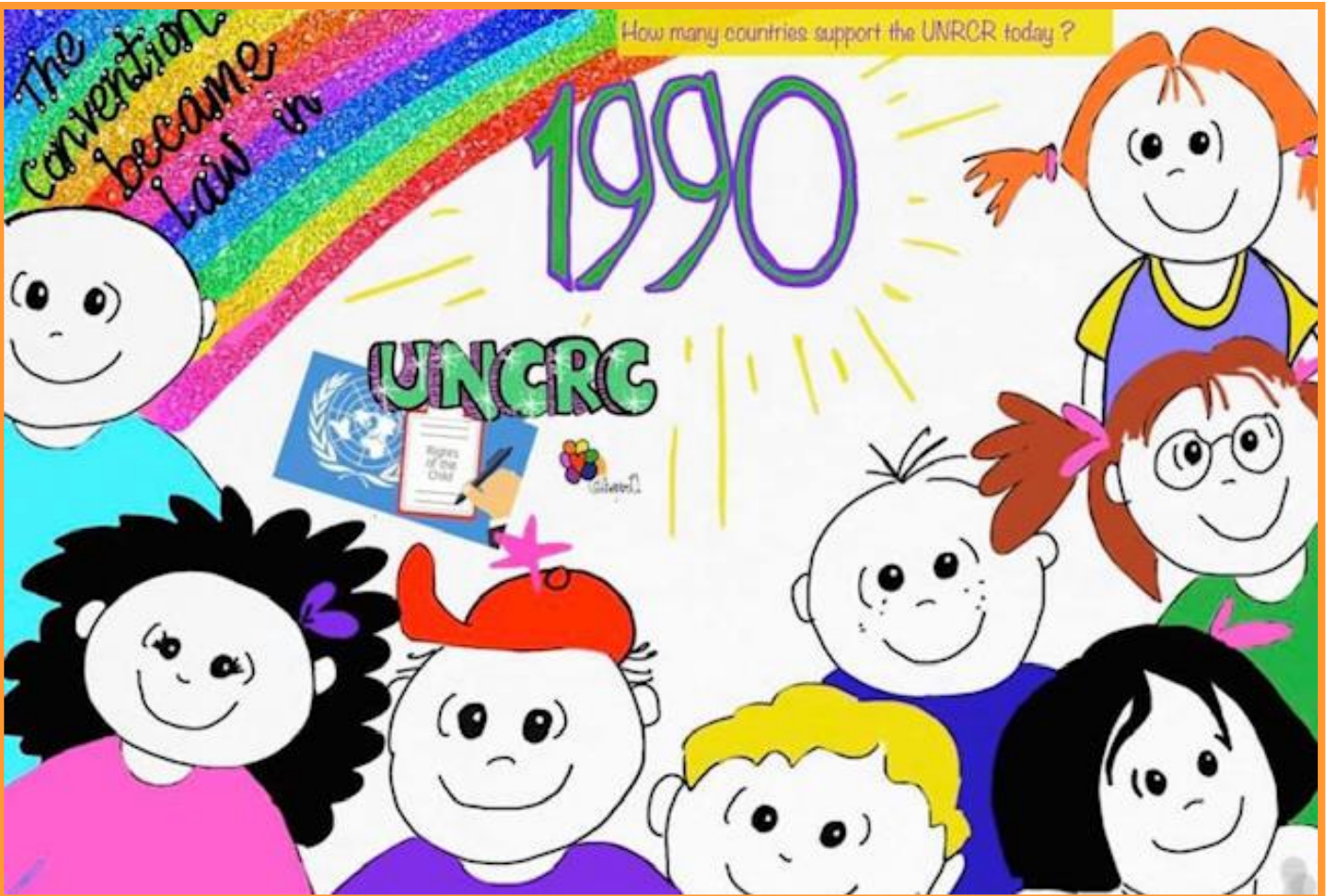
On November 20th 1989 the convention was approved.



About Rights

What was it like for children living through World War 2?

What organisation was given the job to look after children's rights when the war ended?





**The Time We
Spring-Cleaned the
World**
by Laura Gribbons

The world it got so busy,
There were people all around.
They left their germs behind them;
In the air and on the ground.

These germs grew bigger and stronger.
They wanted to come and stay.
They didn't want to hurt anyone -
They just really wanted to play.

Sometimes they tried to hold your hand,
Or tickled your throat or your nose.
They could make you cough and sneeze
And make your face as red as a rose.

And so these germs took over.
They started to make people ill,
And with every cough we coughed
More and more germs would spill.

All the queens and kings had a meeting.
"It's time to clean the world up!" they
said.
And so they had to close lots of fun
stuff,
Just so these germs couldn't spread.

We couldn't go to cinemas
Or restaurants for our tea.
There was no football or parties,
The world got as quiet as can be.

The kids stopped going to school,
The mums and dads went to work less.
Then a great, big, giant scrubbing brush
Cleaned the sky and the sea and the
mess!

Dads started teaching the sums,
Big brothers played with us more,
Mums were in charge of homework
And we read and played jigsaws galore!

The whole world was washing their
hands
And building super toilet roll forts!
Outside was quiet and peaceful,
Now home was the place for all sports.

So we played in the world that was
home
And our days filled up with fun and love,
And the germs they grew smaller and
smaller
And the sun watched from up above.

Then one morning the sun woke up early,
She smiled and stretched her beams
wide.
The world had been fully spring cleaned,
It was time to go back outside!

We opened our doors oh so slowly
And breathed in the clean and fresh air.
We promised that forever and always
Of this beautiful world we'd take care !



Website - www.pentrepoethprimary.co.uk

Twitter - @PentrepoethPrim

Other Twitter Pages ...



Click on the links in blue!

Class	Twitter	Area	Twitter
Nursery - Mrs Williams	@PPSMrsWilliams	Whole School	@PentrepoethPrim
Reception - Mrs Starke	@PPSMrsStarke	Expressive Arts	@PPSExpressiveArts
Reception - Miss Ellis	@PPSMissEllis	Health and Wellbeing	@PPSHealth_Well
Year 1 - Mrs Batrouni	@PPSMrsBatrouni	Humanities	@PPSHumanites
Year 1- Mrs Drummond	@PPSMrsDrummond	Languages, Literacy and Communication	@PPSLangandLit
Year 2- Mrs Beard	@PPSMrsBeard2jb	Mathematics and Numeracy	@PPSMathsandNum
Year 2 - Mr Nocivelli	@PPSMrNocivelli	Science and Technology	@PPSSciandTech
Year 3 - Mrs Baxter	@PPSMrsBaxter		
Year 3 - Mrs Davies	@PPSMrsDavies		
Year 4 - Mrs Gooding	@PPSMrsGooding		
Year 4 - Mrs Jones	@PPSMrsJones		
Year 5 - Mr Merriman	@PPSMrMerriman		
Year 5 - Mr Willmore	@PPSMrWillmore		
Year 6 - Mr Cleaves	@PPSMrCleaves		
Year 6 - Mrs Symes	@PPSMrsSymes		

A reminder that our Value for April is POSITIVITY.

Yours sincerely,
Cofion cynnes,

Dean Taylor
Headteacher

