



Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week full of learning outside to celebrate Outdoor Learning Week – thankfully we were very lucky with the weather! Children have been planting seeds, undertaking outdoor challenges, undertaking nature walks and developing our outdoor learning environment.

**Acorns Class** have been using BeeBots to practice their directional and coding skills, making them move from one location to another. They also enjoyed making (and eating!) sandwiches and writing instructions for how to make them.

**Beech Class** have been planning the story Hike using a story map and reading the time on an analogue clock.

**Laurel Class** have been writing about contrasting environments, learning about forces, collecting and extracting data and playing tennis in PE.

**Oak Class** have been learning about ratio, rhyming pairs and identifying different types of plants. They have also started practising for their leavers' assembly – time really is flying!



A reminder that next week sees the beginning of our **Walk or Wheel to School Challenge** to mark International Walking Month. As a mini-challenge for next week, we would like to encourage the children to choose one colour each day and count as many things they notice in that colour on their way to school, e.g. How many red things can you spot on the way to school on Tuesday?



Recently, Mr Phillips received a message from the Headteacher of **Fayunku School in Gambia** thanking Penrhiwceibr Primary School for the resources we kindly donated last term. This is a partnership we hope to continue to develop with the school.

Thank you for your support with **fidget toys/ "squashies"** – we have seen a marked decrease in the number being brought into school. A reminder that pupils are only to bring such items to school if this has been **agreed between the parent/carer and class teacher**. In cases where an item has been brought in and this has not been agreed between the parent/carer and class teacher, the item will be sent to the office and parent/carers will need to collect from Mrs Carroll.

Many pupils from Oak class will be attending the **residential at Bryn Bach Park** next week with Mr Phillips and Mrs Lewis. We hope everyone enjoys their time there and we are looking forward to hearing all about it when they return on Friday!

A reminder that this is a **Bank Holiday weekend** so we will welcome the children back to school on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May**.

I want to wish everyone a pleasant and enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

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Headteacher  
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