



Croeso i flwyddyn un a dau

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Welcome to Year 1 & 2

Information Booklet

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Croeso i'r Blwyddyn 1 a 2

Welcome to Year 1 and 2 (Dosbarth Pump)

Croeso...

We're thrilled to welcome you and your child into our warm and friendly Year 2 class. We're looking forward to a year filled with exciting learning, new friendships, and lots of memorable moments as we begin this wonderful journey together.

At Garnteg, we follow a Froebelian approach to learning, which means we value the whole child — their ideas, interests, and unique way of seeing the world. We believe that children learn best through play, exploration, and real-life experiences, so our classroom is full of opportunities to be curious, creative, and connected to the world around them. We encourage independence, collaboration, and a love of learning in everything we do.

Our ethos is built on the values of kindness, curiosity, and creativity, which guide everything we do in the classroom and beyond. Whether we're discovering new things in class, playing together on the yard, or exploring the world through our topics, we're always learning — and always supporting one another.

We're looking forward to a fantastic year of learning, laughter, and sparkle. Let's climb high and shine bright together!

Be sure to check our school website <http://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/> and our Instagram pages @garntegprimary for regular updates and information.

Arfer dydd / Daily routines

- Breakfast club pupils can enter via top gate into the small hall between 8:20am-8:50am.
- Top gate and bottom gate will be open at 8:45am for pupils to come straight into class. If pupils arrive after 9:00am, they will have to walk to the main office with a family member or carer on order to sign in.
- The school day starts at 9:00am, and registers close at 9:10am. When children arrive in the classroom, they begin an Early Morning Activity, such as a learning task or reading books, while the teacher takes the register, which happens at 9:00 am.



Alongside the main curriculum we also use elements to support our development such as



Clay - We develop the muscles in our hands which supports our writing skills.



Block Play - We develop spatial awareness and open ended possibilities.



Sewing - We develop eye and hand co ordination.



Cooking - We develop larger joints such as our arms and measurment skills.



Outdoors - We develop our creativity through a real life authentic setting.



Daily Mile- We develop our physical health to ensure we stay fit and healthy.



Welsh - We develop our ability to speak our national language with other peers and adults daily.



Gwisg Ysgol

School Uniform

We ask that all children wear school uniform.

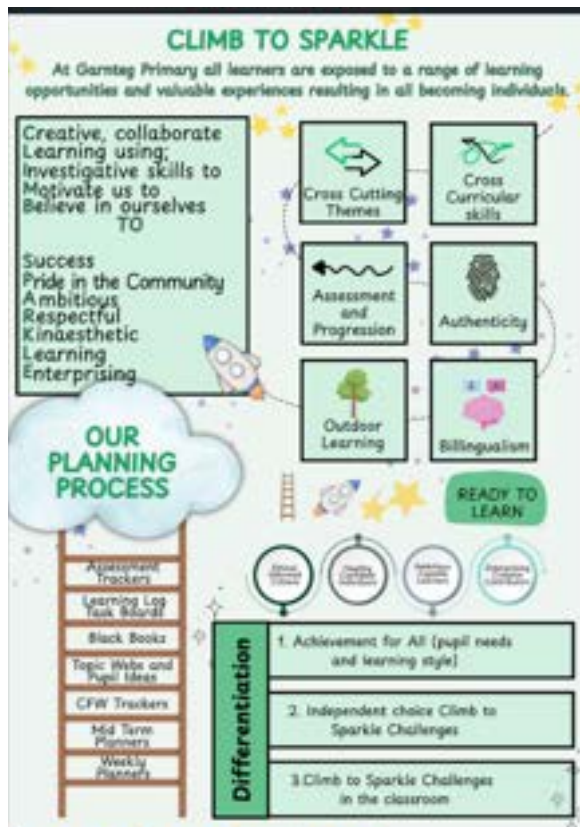
The school uniform consists of:

- Grey/black trousers /skirts/ pinafore dress
- White/Red polo shirts
- Red cardigan/ jumper/ sweatshirt
- Shoes or suitable trainers
- Girl's red and white checked summer dress



CLIMB TO SPARKLE CURRICULUM

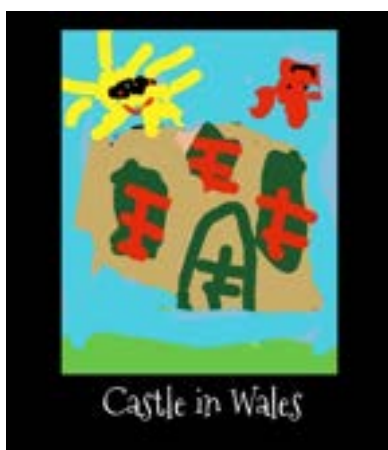
At Garnteg, we are proud to help create the new Curriculum for Wales. The goal is for schools to be places where everyone keeps learning. Through pupil voice, students help plan and think about their learning in all areas.



Meysydd Dysgu - Areas of Learning



Humanities



Science and Technology



Language, Literacy and Communication



Maths and Numeracy



Expressive Arts



Health and Wellbeing

✨ Disgwyliad – Expectations ✨

In our classes we ensure that we have a happy learning environment where everyone feels valued and enjoys their time together. In order for us to achieve this we have a number of rules that as a class we decide together to ensure we all have our voices heard and valued.



Gwybodaeth feddygol - Medical information

If your child has any medical needs that are likely to affect their education, we would be grateful if you would inform us. Should your child require regular medication, please complete a medical form at the office when bringing in your child first thing in the morning.



Class Dojo



At Garnteg, we celebrate children's achievements with Dojo points. Each child has their own avatar and can earn points and rewards throughout the year. Parents and carers can use the Class Dojo app to follow their child's progress and receive school and class updates through the Class Story.



Gwaith Cartref - Home Learning

In Blwyddyn Un and Dau, we encourage children to continue their learning at home. Each half term, we provide a Home Learning Grid with a range of engaging activities for children to complete. These tasks are designed to support and extend their learning in a fun and meaningful way.

Here is an example:

Summer term topic – Little Seeds, Big Changes

These are your learning log task choices for the term.

Choose one activity to complete each week. You will be awarded at least the amount of dojo points indicated for the task, extra are available for amazing effort. You can be as creative as your like, the more exciting the better! Good Luck!

Please use the home learning logs to evidence your homework efforts- you could write directly in your learning log or send a video on Dojo and we can create a QR code.

Learning Log Tasks



(5 dojos)

Humanities

- Can you create a birds-eye view map of your garden or favourite outdoor space? Can you add labels?
- Make a poster or presentation about how we can look after our environment.

(5 dojos)

Health and Wellbeing

- Can you create an outdoor obstacle course?
- Think about how we can keep ourselves healthy, what foods keep us healthy? Can you make a healthy meal?

(10 dojos)

Maths and Numeracy

- Go on a nature walk and collect some natural objects. Can you make some 2D shapes using the objects?
- Can you use natural objects to make a symmetrical pattern/picture?
- Use natural objects to represent number bonds – 4 sticks and 6 stones make 10. Can you also make 20?
- Sort natural objects in a Venn diagram.

(5 dojos)

Language, Literary and Communication

- Can you write a non-chronological report about our topic? E.g. minibeasts, flowers, the sun, rainbows etc.
- Can you create a picture from your favourite book outside? You could use chalk, natural objects etc.
- Collect some natural objects – can you use adjectives to describe them? E.g. rough, smooth, spiky.
- Write a silly poem about your garden.

(10 dojos)

Expressive Arts

- Can you make a natural minibeast?

- Can you use body percussion to make your own song?
- Can you create a 3D picture of your garden/ favourite green space?

5 Dojos

Science and Technology

- Can you create a garden using ICT? You could use Minecraft, Canva etc.
- We've really enjoyed practising our sewing, can you practise sewing at home? You could draw a picture and sew the outline.
- Can you plant a seed and observe what happens when it grows? Use your knowledge from our lessons of how to help plants grow.

Llyfr Darllen - Reading Books

Reading books are sent home regularly and can be returned and exchanged up to three times a week. We encourage you to enjoy reading with your child as often as possible.

Learning Together at Home



Daily Reading - Listen to your child sound out letters and encourage them to blend the words together. Ask questions to ensure they understand what they are reading.



Maths – incorporate numbers into daily routines such as counting out coins at the shop, reading clock faces, weighing ingredients in cooking, etc.



Cooking – give your child instructions to follow a recipe, use measuring skills for weighing, encourage food hygiene and using equipment safely.



Outdoor Learning - Supporting your child with outdoor learning is all about embracing hands-on play and curiosity. Start by transforming routine walks into educational adventures, providing open-ended materials, and encouraging them to observe nature, record their findings, and explore local green spaces.



Praise efforts, embrace mistakes and have lots of fun!



Communication Procedures

At Garnteg, we value positive communication and believe that most questions or concerns can be resolved quickly by speaking to the appropriate member of staff each morning. If you have any questions about your child's learning, the school curriculum, or any other aspect of school life, or if you wish to raise a concern, please communicate with your class teacher – Mr Key. Should you need further support you can contact the Phase Leader - Mrs Messore.

We hope that any problems can be resolved quickly and to everyone's satisfaction by following this procedure.

A copy of Policies and Procedures can be found on the school website:

<https://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/our-school/school-policies-documents/>

Diogelu - Safeguarding

Safeguarding procedures in our school are the clear steps we follow to keep children safe and well at all times. Your child's safety and wellbeing are our top priority. We have clear safeguarding and child protection procedures to help keep every child safe, happy,

and supported while in our care. All staff are trained to recognise and respond to any concerns about a child's welfare and follow local and national guidance. If we are worried that a child may be at risk of harm, we have a duty to share our concerns with the Safeguarding Officer to help keep them safe. We will always aim to work openly and in partnership with families wherever possible, while putting the child's best interests first. <https://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/media/1957/safeguarding-policy-25-26.pdf>

Year One High Frequency Words

Attached are the high frequency words that will be taught to your child in Year one. We encourage you to practice reading and spelling these words at home to support your child's reading development.

Year One High Frequency Words Assessment

Words	R	W	Words	R	W
			looking		
put			when		
with			came		
will					
little			don't		
too			could		
are			had		
as			your		
down			what		
looked			help		
but			now		
so			have		
today			very		
likes			about		
not			again		
			find		
that					
then			house		
into			old		
an			children		
back			made		
from			Mr		
one			I'm		
him			If		
do			Just		
out			Mrs		
came			called		
saw			asked		
his			<u>their</u>		

Year Two High Frequency Words

Attached are the high frequency words that will be taught to your child in Year Two. We encourage you to practice reading and spelling these words at home to support your child's reading development.

Year 2 High Frequency Words

	talked	walked	work	every
yes	goes	them	wanted	must
take	here's	thank you	other	something
baby	laugh	some	lots	garden
father		our	three	red
mother	water	myself	eat	bed
	away	next	food	fast
did	want		head	thought
or	how	these	everyone	door
home	took	live	that's	may
next	school	more	our	only
need	who	began	through	right
soon	didn't	say	town	many
fun	know	I'll	two	well
under	can't	animals	way	sea
coming	new	night	I've	found
last	round	tree	been	laughed
girl	much	never	gave	bring
end	best	small	around	push
than	most	shouted	think	Forgot
talked	please	first	stop	word

Read Write Inc Sounds

Below are some of the sounds that your child will learn along with rhymes to support letter formation. We encourage you to practice these at home.

								
Mountains mountain	Around the apple, down the leaf	Slither down the snake	Round his bottom, up his tail neck and down to his feet	Down the tower, across the tower	Down the body, dot for the head	Down Nobby and over his ear	Down the grass and over the grate's face	Round his ears, down his hair and give him a curl
								
All around the orange	Curly around the caterpillar	Down the kangaroo body, tail and leg	Down and up, up to the hip and down a puddle	Down the laces, to heel, round the toe	Down the stem and draw the leaves	Lift off the top and stamp out the egg	Down the long leg	Down the head, to the humpers and over his back
								
Down his back, then curl over his arm	Down the body, curl and dot	Down a wing, up a wing	Down a stem, up a stem and under his head	Down up, down up	Zip-zag-zip	Round his head, up and over his earrings and down his hair	Down the arm and leg, repeat the other side	

Speed Sounds Set 2				
ay  may I play?	ee  what can you see?	igh  fly high	ow  slow the snow	oo  go on the oo
oo  look at a book	ar  start the car	or  about the door	air  that's not fair	ir  what's that bird?
Speed Sounds Set 3				
ea  cup of tea	oi  spoil the boy	ou  show it out		
oy  toy for a boy	a-e  make a cake	i-e  like ice-cream	o-e  phone home	u-e  huge blue
aw  go on to sleep	are  care and share	ur  nurse with a purse	er  a better letter	ow  brown cow
ai  swell in the rain	oa  go on a boat	ew  show the shoe	ire  fire, fire	ear  hear with your ear
ure  here it's pure				