



Croeso i flwyddyn dau

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Welcome to Year 2 Information Booklet 2026 - 2027



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Primary School



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Croeso i'r Blwyddyn 2

Welcome to Year Two (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 @misssbrooks95 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.

In Year Two our day includes...

Climb to sparkle learning

Learners will explore the Climb to Sparkle curriculum by choosing their own topics and learning through different areas of learning.

- Language, Literacy & Communication
- Mathematics & Numeracy
- Science & Technology
- Health & Well-Being
- Humanities
- Expressive Art

Read, write inc

Learners will join in with daily Read, write inc sessions to develop reading, writing and spelling skills.

Guided reading

Learners will engage with daily guided reading sessions. A range of activities will be available to support reading skills.

Welsh

Learners will develop confidence in using conversational Welsh during classroom activities and daily routines.

Daily mile

Learners are encouraged to take part in the Daily Mile, helping to build fitness and wellbeing.

Climb to sparkle challenges

Learners will have opportunities to complete challenges independently and practise skills they have already learned.



Snack

Learners will enjoy healthy snack time to encourage a healthy lifestyle. Children will have opportunities to develop their spoken Welsh language during these social times.

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

In Year Two we use...



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



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



Sewing - To develop eye and hand co ordination.



Cooking - To develop larger joints such as our arms to allow us to learn life skills.



The Outdoors - To develop our understanding of the world around us



Loose Parts - To show our understanding of the world through different mediums.

Gwisg Ysgol

School Uniform

We ask that all children wear school uniform.

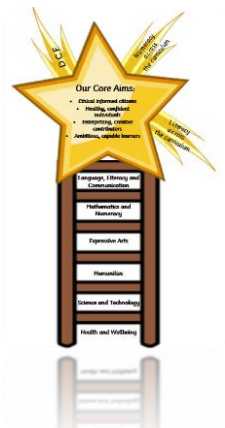
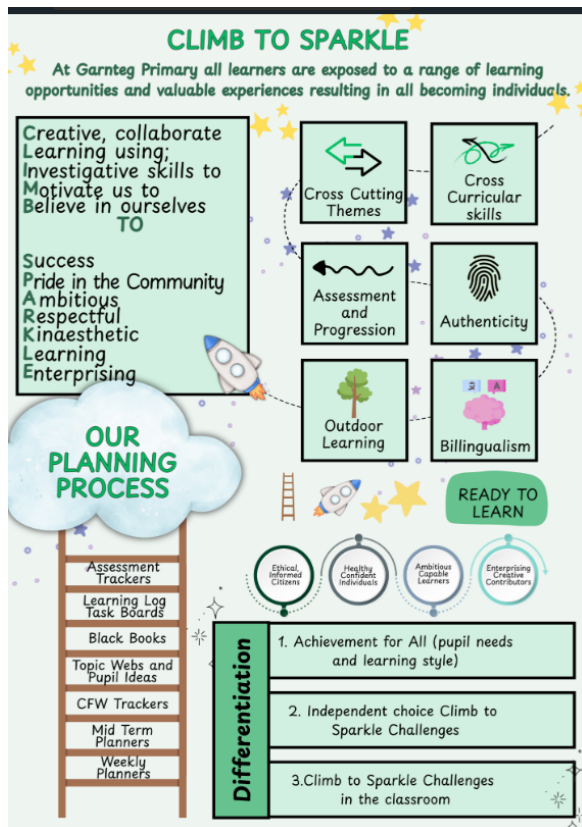
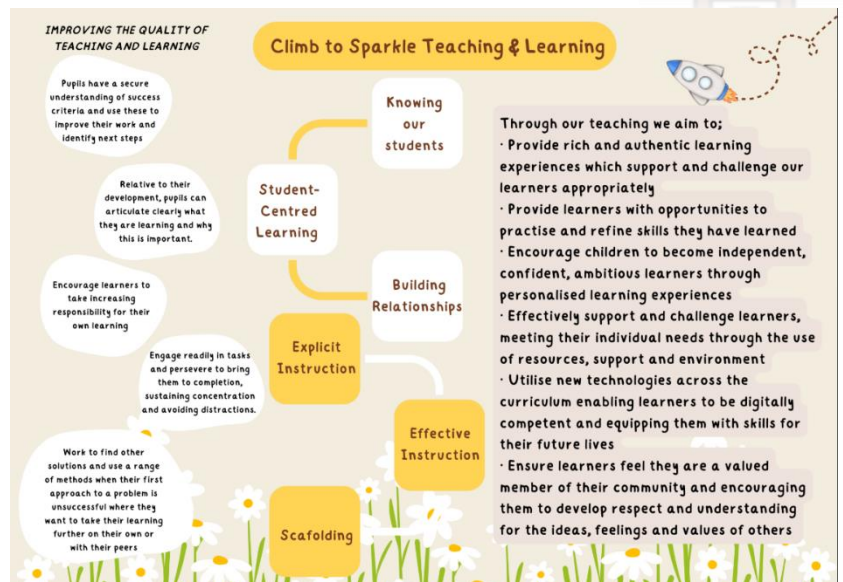
The school uniform consists of:

- 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.



Areas of Learning

Literacy and Languages



Mathematics and Numeracy



Science and Technology



Humanities



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.

Presenoldeb - Attendance



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 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.

(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, Literacy 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.

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)

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.



Dygsgu Gartref - Learning Together at Home



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.

Should you need further support you can contact the Phase Leader - Mrs Messori.

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

A copy of the Policies and Procedures can be found on the school website: <https://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/our-school/school-policies-documents/>

Safeguarding Procedures

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 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		<u>our</u>	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	<u>our</u>	only
need	who	began	through	right
soon	didn't	<u>say</u>	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

	morning	gone	pulled	
grace	queen	hard	we're	
couldn't	each	really	fly	
king	book	wind	grow	
long	green	wish	above	
great	different	eggs	onto	
why	let	once		
cried	which	stopped		
keep	inside	ever		
room	any	cold		
jumped	hat	park		
even	snow	birds		
before	air	duck		
gran	trees	horse		
clothes	bad	rabbit		
tell	top	white		
key	eyes	He's		
place	fell	river		
boat	friends	better		
window	box			
sleep	dark	Giant		
feet	grandad	Looks		
There's	sun	Along		
hot	across	Plants		

