

Maes yr Haul Primary School



Growing together, learning forever

Tyfu gyda'n gilydd, dysgu am byth

CROESO

Welcome to Year 1
2024-25

Croeso i flwyddyn 1



Classroom Staff

Teachers: Mrs G Evans
Mrs Morris
Mrs M Griffiths



Support Staff: Mrs Jones
Ms Hailstone
Mrs Vincent



Arriving / Leaving School

- ❖ The playground is not supervised before the start of the school day.

Outdoor play equipment (e.g. climbing frame, music stations) is not to be used before or after school and scooters and bikes must be dismounted and walked through the yard for the safety of others.

- ❖ Our doors open and we register at 8.50am
- ❖ If you are late, please go to Reception at the main office.



Attendance



- ❖ Our registers are taken at the start of the morning and afternoon sessions (i.e. 2 marks each day)

The register is taken at 8.50 am, children arriving after this will receive a late mark.

- ❖ Please notify the OFFICE of any absence (messaging via School Gateway / phone / letter)
- ❖ On the first day of an unexpected absence you will receive a text from the school in the morning and again in the afternoon, if we still have received no notification.
- ❖ You will receive a follow-up phone call the next day, if there has still been no notification for reason of absence.
- ❖ **Collection during the day:**

If you need to collect your child during the school day – notify main Reception and collect from there.

Our Class Routines

- ❖ P.E. – your child is able to wear their PE kit to school on **WEDNESDAY** and on **THURSDAY**. No jewellery (esp. earrings) is to be worn/long hair tied back.
- ❖ PE kit is: dark or plain black joggers/leggings/shorts, a plain white t shirt and dark trainers.
- ❖ **Please remember to label uniform including coats!**
- ❖ Water bottles – please bring **labelled** water bottles every day.
- ❖ Morning Snack – **fruit and veg only**. School fruit tuck shop is also available daily -30p for bananas and 20p for apples or pears.
- ❖ School Meals – organised via BCBC website.
- ❖ Healthy Lunchboxes - we would love to see as many as possible!



Independent challenges in Year 1

Lots of being a year 1 learner is about becoming independent.

Children complete challenges each week based on focus tasks from previous weeks.

This work is always independent and they will not receive formal feedback on it.

Please use any independent work that your child brings home as an opportunity to support your child's learning, addressing learning gaps together.



Reading

A range of strategies are used to teach reading in Year 1

- ❖ RWI Scheme (phonetic) / ORT Scheme (Look & Say)
- ❖ Individual reading to/with staff
- ❖ Shared reading during other lessons
- ❖ Reading records – home/ school communication



- ❖ Reading books should be returned to school every **MONDAY MORNING**. Once your child has read with a member of staff, their new book will be sent home.
- ❖ Please ensure that you read with your child regularly and communicate via their reading record.

Useful information

- ❖ Please see your child's Google classroom for termly class newsletters and updated information on all topics.
- ❖ We highly recommend downloading the Google Classroom app. Use your child's HWB log in details to join their class group. We post pictures, videos and messages to the Google classroom page throughout each term.
- ❖ Please be aware of your child's online behaviour and support any measures required to ensure your child's safety and to help prevent incidents of bullying.
- ❖ Please inform school promptly of any concerns / issues.



Home Learning

There is no routine homework expectation across the school, except we strongly encourage parents to read with/to their children regularly.

Other home activities vary during the year, according to need and year group. For example:

- ❖ Numeracy and/or literacy when suitable.
 - Home reading (Reading)
 - Doodle Maths (Numeracy)
 - Teach My Monster (Phonics)
 - Keywords (Reading – sent home with reading book)
 - Hwb / Google Classroom (Various)
- ❖ Other tasks – e.g. finding out / asking adults
- ❖ Internet / book research (summarise, not just copy & paste)



Google Classroom

- ❖ **Online Learning can be accessed via your child's Google Classroom when it is required - details of how to log on and passwords will be sent home shortly.**

When you need us...

Please drop an e-mail to school admin

admin@maesyrrhaulps.bridgend.cymru

Or contact the school on:

01656 815600

Or use the School Gateway messaging service.

Teaching staff will do their best to reply to you as soon as possible (or within 48 hours max)