



Croeso i Blwyddyn 4

Welcome to Year 4

Mr Davies & Miss Rumbelow

New Academic Year

- Firstly, we would like to welcome you and your child/ren to Year 4 and what will be a very exciting year ahead. We are pleased to say that the pupils have already met their teacher, visited their new classroom and started to learn about the routines of a new year group.
- We look forward to welcoming you into school on Tuesday 16th September at 3.30pm for 'Meet the Teacher'



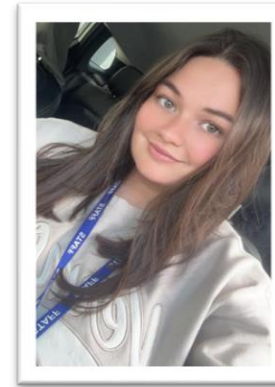
Staff in Year 4

**Pupils are already
getting to know their
new teacher, there have
been some new names
to learn!**

In class 4D – Mr Davies



In class 4R – Miss Rumbelow



Shared Teaching Assistant: Miss K Jones



Shared Teaching Assistant: Mrs R King



The beginning and end of the day

- Timings for pupils in Year 4 are:

8.45am – 3.15pm



Please try to be on time and leave the school premises swiftly after drop off/pick up.

- If there are any changes to the person picking your child up from school then please contact the school office.
- If you wish for your child to walk home unaccompanied or meet parents offsite, this request must be submitted to the class teacher in writing so and our records can be updated.



Organising the Learning

- The Curriculum for Wales (CfW) continues to be embedded into our teaching and learning. It is designed to improve and develop children's thinking skills and independence.
- Pupils will be taught through the 6 Areas of Learning and Experience

Languages, Literacy and Communication

Mathematics and Numeracy

Expressive Arts

Humanities

Health and Wellbeing

Science and Technology



Pupils will be taught in an inclusive environment where they are supported in the classroom, in line with any needs which they may have. Within the new curriculum, there is a key focus on learning about and through **our locality, Wales** and the **World**.

We will provide with information each term about the types of learning that you child will be doing.



Year 4

Please see below for the themes that your child will be learning about this term.

Belonging / Cynefin

Mining: Pits and Ponies



Year 4

- We enjoy learning outdoors and try to take every opportunity we can. Lessons may take place in all weathers. Therefore, please ensure that your child brings in wet weather clothing and wellies that are clearly labelled and in a named bag. We are hoping to have a new shed built to keep our kits in. The kit will be returned at the end of each term to be cleaned.
- Pupils have the opportunity to complete Speakr on a daily basis which enables them to communicate any worries. This can be accessed at both home and in school and is available through their J2e homepage.
- Pupils are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit and water for break time.



My One Page Profile - Mr Davies



What people like and admire about me:

- ☺ I am a good listener and I care about other people's thoughts and feelings.
- ☺ I can stay calm in challenging situations.
- ☺ I am hardworking and conscientious.
- ☺ I am easy going and happy to go with the flow.
- ☺ If I am asked to do something, I'll make sure that I will do it to the best of my ability.

What is important to me:

- ☺ The pupils and adults in Johnstown School. 'This is our school, and we are family'.
- ☺ Being organised and prepared.
- ☺ To feel comfortable in my environment.
- ☺ Knowing that it is acceptable to make mistakes. This is how I learn.
- ☺ Feeling valued and respected.
- ☺ It is important to know that I don't have to raise my voice to be heard and listened to.
- ☺ It is important to know that we can talk to each other to work through things together.
- ☺ Pupils and adults have an enjoyable time at school whilst staying safe.

How to support me:

- ☺ Respect yourself and respect each other.
- ☺ Understand that when I use the 'Stop' signal I need your attention.
- ☺ Show me that you respect and value our school by following our rules.
- ☺ Be eager and prepared to learn. Try your best. Your best will always be good enough.
- ☺ When I make mistakes, it means I am learning. Please don't make me feel uncomfortable or embarrassed when I make them.
- ☺ Take risks in your learning, challenge yourselves. Making mistakes means that you are learning.
- ☺ Be an independent and responsible learner. Have the confidence to give things a go.
- ☺ Make sure that equipment and resources are put back in their correct places.

This is Mr Davies' One Page Profile.

It explains what people think about him, what is important to him and how he can be supported in school.



My One Page Profile – Miss Rumbelow



What people like and admire about me:

- ☺ I am a good listener and try to be as supportive as I can.
- ☺ I can stay calm in challenging situations.
- ☺ I am hardworking and conscientious.
- ☺ I have a great sense of humour
- ☺ If I am asked to do something, I'll make sure that I will do it to the best of my ability.

What is important to me:

- ☺ The pupils and adults in Johnstown School. 'This is our school, and we are family.'
- ☺ Being organised and prepared.
- ☺ To feel comfortable in my environment.
- ☺ Knowing that it is acceptable to make mistakes. This is how I learn.
- ☺ Feeling valued and respected.
- ☺ It is important to know that I don't have to raise my voice to be heard.
- ☺ It is important to know that we talk to each other and share our thoughts

How to support me:

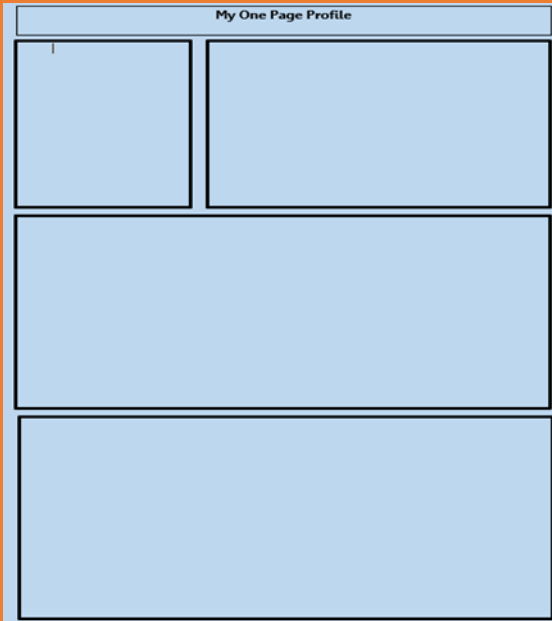
- ☺ Understand that when I start counting down I need your attention.
- ☺ Agree upon and sign a pledge to follow our Class Charter.
- ☺ Show me that you respect and value our school by following our rules.
- ☺ Be eager and prepared to learn.
- ☺ I will make mistakes. When I make mistakes, I learn from them please don't make me feel uncomfortable when I make them.
- ☺ Take risks in your learning, challenge yourselves.
- ☺ Ask for help if you are unsure about something.
- ☺ Make sure that equipment and resources are put back in their correct places.

This is Miss Rumbelow's One Page Profile.

It explains what people think about her, what is important to her and how she can be supported in school.



One Page Profile (OPP)



- Every child in Johnstown will have a One Page Profile which will be kept in class and used by staff to help your child with their learning.
- You have already been sent a blank One Page Profile and prompt sheet.
- Please discuss with your child the statements on the One Page Profile. Write down ideas for each statement and send it back to school. These ideas will contribute to the document created by the teacher.



RSE



This year, we will be following Jigsaw. Jigsaw is a comprehensive and age-appropriate program that helps children develop essential life skills, knowledge, and values. It covers a wide range of important topics such as emotional well-being, healthy relationships, online safety, physical health, and respect for diversity, all aligned with national curriculum guidelines.

The program is designed to be engaging and inclusive, using stories, games, and mindfulness activities to create a safe and supportive space for children to explore their thoughts and feelings.

By fostering emotional literacy, empathy, and resilience, Jigsaw empowers children to make informed decisions, build positive relationships, and grow into confident, responsible individuals who can thrive both academically and personally.

These are the 6 themes the whole school will follow throughout the year.



Physical Education (PE)

PE in Year 4

PE will take place on **Monday** and **Friday** this year.

The Friday session will focus on wellbeing, healthy choices, personal and social skills. The Monday session will focus on developing physical skills, both indoors and outdoors.

Please send your child into school wearing their school PE kit and outdoor footwear on the above days.

This will consist of a polo shirt, jogging bottoms and trainers.

Can you also ensure that your child/ren brings in a jumper and waterproof coat so that we are able to go outside in all weathers.

No jewellery should be worn on these days and long hair should be tied back.



Home Learning

Pupils will be set Home Learning tasks in the form of a menu linked to skills being taught at school and this can be presented using home learning books or via the HWB platform.

Additional skills activities can be practised through Spelling Shed, My Maths, Bug Club on Active Learn and using J2Blast.

For support in accessing this learning open the link attached to the image below.



Reading giglets

- Reading is one of the best things you can do with your child. It is important that books are read and shared, and you don't just focus on listening to your child read. It is important that our pupils enjoy reading and we need to find the right materials that motivate them.
- Try to make reading fun and allow pupils to choose their own reading material. There will be books allocated online via 'Bug Club' and 'Giglets'. Both resources will offer a read aloud option so your child can listen to a book while following a text on screen.



How you can help your child in Year 4

Digital Learning

Pupils will continue to use Hwb to access resources such as J2E to enhance their learning. Digital learning completed in class will be saved in individual files which can be accessed at home.

Bug Club / Giglets / Spelling Shed

Pupils will be given the opportunity to develop reading and spelling skills via online applications. Passwords will be shared on a digital passport.

My Maths

Pupils will be given the opportunity to develop mathematical skills through My Maths. This will consolidate and reinforce skills covered in maths lessons.

Remember – little and often is key to success.



Communication

ParentPay



- We are a cashless school. An activation letter from school should have been sent to you, which includes a unique **Username** and **Password**. These log in details are for a **one-time use only**. Once you have activated your account, you will be guided to select your own preferred username and password.
- Parentpay is used to select and pay for school dinners, contribute towards planned school trips and receive important messages from school.
- For pupils in receipt of Free School Meals, there will be no charge through ParentPay, however it is important to continue to select meal options through this to support Catering Services.
- For further information about ParentPay please contact the School Office.
- The ParentPay website can be accessed from a designated page our school website: [ParentPay](#)



Reminders

- Attendance and punctuality are crucial in supporting your child's learning progress.
- Please keep us updated with any changes of personal information such as telephone numbers, emails and address or changing medical needs via the school office.
- Please ensure that all of your child's personal items, including coats, are named.
- Healthy snacks can be sent into school with your child to enjoy during morning break (it is helpful if snack boxes are named also).
- Please do not send in any 'nuts' as snacks or as part of a packed lunch as we have other pupils with severe allergies.
- Labelled water bottles can be brought into school so that your child can drink water throughout the day. Water fountains are available should pupils forget their bottle.
- If your child is needing medication then a Medication Form will need to be completed and returned to the school office. These forms are available from the school office.
- Please make sure that any medication, including Asthma pumps and Epi-pens are clearly named and in date.
- The Home/School Agreement, Hwb agreement and permission slips will be sent early in the Autumn Term.



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If you have any further questions, please telephone the School Office on 01267 236653 or email

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