



Autumn Term 2025 – Where do I belong?

'Ble ydw i'n perthyn?'



This term our new topic will be 'Where do I belong?'. Planning for this topic will stem from the pupil's ideas and our pupil voice discussions.

Literacy, Language and Communication

Each day we will learn daily letters and sounds in phonics, reading and handwriting. To encourage the children's oracy skills, they will have opportunities to partake in regular role-play opportunities. The children will also have the opportunity to share their homework as well as any other news they have on a Monday morning.

The children will be listening to a wide range of topic-themed books linked to our learning. When we read *The Wild Woods*, we will explore opportunities for role play to bring the story to life. Once we are familiar with the book, the children will use their imagination to create their own descriptions of the animals in the story.

We will also be going on a local walk to the new woodland area in Berriew, which will inspire us to write our own stories about a dragon who has lost her egg. Alongside this, the children will enjoy learning about the life cycle of an acorn and recording what they have discovered through writing.

Please continue to read as much as you can with your child at home, as this will greatly support their progress and build on the work we are doing together in class.

Numeracy

Over the Autumn term, the Reception children will be developing their understanding of number, shape and pattern. The year ones will also be exploring shape, as well as place value, addition and subtraction. We will sing lots of exciting songs within our maths lessons, as well as playing games and using concrete objects to support our understanding.

We will also be developing our problem-solving skills during our topic lessons, solving some exciting tasks and challenges! Some will include using positional vocabulary to direct each other around an obstacle course, as well as collecting and sorting a variety of data!

The children will also have time to explore and develop their mathematical learning by accessing learning opportunities during Busy Bee time (continuous provision).

Welsh

In Welsh, the children will develop their oracy and reading skills. Every day, we will continue with incidental Welsh including counting, colours, weather and commands. We also do daily 'Helpwr Heddiw' questions where the children practice their question-and-answering skills in Welsh. We will also be introducing and using new vocabulary linked to our Welsh topic – Personal details and learning how to have a conversation all about ourselves.

How can you help?

You can support your children at home, by talking about their learning in school, **listening to them read daily and helping them to learn their tricky words and sounds**. Remember the children can also access a range of online resources. As always, we will be keeping you up to date through Class Dojo so please keep an eye out! If you have any things that you no longer use at home, that could support this topic in the role play or small world, we would love to make use of them in class so please send them in.

*Please remember we are always here to
answer any questions you may have.*

Expressive Arts



This term we hope to make a class tree using our handprints and design our own family paper chains with family members and people who are important to us. We will have a busy build up to Christmas with making Christmas crafts and designing things to sell in Winter Fair.

We will also get the opportunity to take part in our winter production and will learn various songs and dances to perform. We will explore various sounds using body percussions and listen to lots of different types of music too.



Health and Well-Being

We will have P.E lessons every week which will be on a Tuesday so please remember to come to school dressed in your P.E kit on that day. We also hope to plan regular opportunities for yoga with Mrs Watts, as well as engaging in a variety of outdoor learning activities, so please come prepared for all weathers! The children will have the opportunity to take part in Welly Walks around our local area, as well as visiting the new woodland area in the village, where they will enjoy exploring and completing some exciting activities.



We will be taking part in **Dina School sessions**, using our puppets Wally and Dina to explore different social stories and scenarios. Through these sessions, the children will learn how to solve real-life problems, manage a range of emotions, be a good friend, and much more!



Humanities



During our topic, we will be exploring the history of Berriew village and our school. We hope to invite local members of our community to visit us and talk about how things have changed over time. The children will also create their own family trees and celebrate their individual families.

In Religious Education, we will be learning about special places and buildings, focusing on Christianity and Hinduism. The children will take part in exciting activities linked to Diwali – the festival of light – and will also join in with our Harvest Festival celebrations.



Science and Technology

In Science, we will be growing our own class plants and learning how to look after them. Linked to the story *The Oak Tree*, we will explore the life cycle of an acorn and investigate how trees grow. The children will also carry out experiments to discover how plants grow in different environments.

As part of our Eaware lessons, we will be focusing on internet safety, learning how to keep ourselves safe online and how to behave responsibly when using the internet.

In ICT, we will continue to use *HVB* to practise typing skills, create digital artwork, present data, and design animations. We also hope to work with our school's Digital Wizards to learn how to use drones effectively in lessons – an exciting opportunity for the children!

