

EISTEDDFOD



We are very much looking forward to this year's Eisteddfod on Friday March 1st. Please see below for important information and dates. As in previous years, some competitions will be run in school, while other competition entries can be completed at home. Full details of the way in which your child can take part are below.

SCHOOL BASED COMPETITIONS

- **House Songs** – Each house has been given a Welsh song to learn (and then perform) at the Eisteddfod. Your child will practise this song in school, but will need to continue to practise their singing at home before the competition.
- **Music Competitions** – Pupils who take music lessons (at home or in school) are invited to enter the music competition (this includes singing). Instruments and music pieces need to be ready to be performed in the House Meetings on **Monday 19th February** (first day after half-term). These will be heats, with the finalists (chosen at the House Meeting) going through to perform in the Eisteddfod on the 1st March.
- **Poetry Recitations (ALL Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 pupils)** – KS2 poems (for recitation) will be sent home as part of class homework over the half-term. All pupils are expected to learn their poems by heart as they form part of our oracy assessments. **The poems need to be ready to be performed at the House Meeting on Monday 19th February.** These will be heats, with the finalists (chosen at the House Meeting) going through to perform in the Eisteddfod.
- **Handwriting (R-Y2)** – Each pupil will be given the opportunity to take part in this competition in class.
- **Art (All classes)** – Each pupil will be given the opportunity to take part in this competition in class.
- **Bard (Year 6)** – Pupils will work in class to complete their written entry for the Bard competition. The winning piece will be read out, revealing the winner, during the Chairing of the Bard Ceremony in the Eisteddfod.

HOME BASED COMPETITION

This year the school is celebrating 50 years of being located on Heol Llanbedr. To begin our 50th birthday celebrations we are running a competition titled, 'My School'.

We would like the pupils to use their creativity, and skills, to produce their own unique competition entry. What the pupils do is entirely their choice but here are a few ideas: a painting of the school, a Lego model, a map of our school, a Minecraft version of our school or maybe one made out of cake.....

- Entries must be no bigger than A3 and need to be clearly labelled with the child's name, House (Ely, Taff, Usk) and year group. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each year group.
- Judges are looking for children's work. Of course, assistance may be needed but please keep help to the minimum.
- Entries for this competition need to be brought to school on **Thursday 29th February** ready to be judged later that day.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Thursday 8th February** - KS2 Homework sent home detailing poems for the Recitation Competition
- **Monday 19th February** – House Meetings – Recitation and Music Competition heats
- **Thursday 29th February** – 'My School' home competition deadline
- **Friday 1st March** – Eisteddfod. **Pupils are invited to dress up in traditional Welsh costume, Welsh sports kit or Brownies/Cubs/St John'suniform.**

We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful work and performances the pupils will create and thank you for your continued support with this, and all the other activities we do in school.