

Derwen News December 13

The Christmas Concert season is well and truly underway at Ysgol Derwen! We held our senior citizens concert on Friday afternoon and it was lovely to have an audience of almost 60 helping us start our Christmas celebrations.

We have since had a further five wonderful performances from our Year 5/6, Year 3/4, and Lower Foundation children and it has been a pleasure to welcome so many of the extended school community into school to share the talents of our pupils as they have sung, danced and acted in their performances. We look forward to welcoming more family members into school today for our final two performances by Years 1 and 2.

The school choir will also be singing at the village church during the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch at 12.30pm today.

Friends Of Derwen School

After having no PTA (Friends Of Derwen School) operating since the pandemic, I was incredibly pleased that following the AGM which was held on September 21st, a new committee was established.

The new FODS Committee have been very active this term and have held a very successful and enjoyable Spooky Disco which raised £220, and have also held a fantastic Christmas Fair which was held in the school on November 30th. The amazing efforts of the FODS Committee, school staff and a team of parent helpers helped raise an incredible £2262 with a possible addition of a further £500 from match funding!

A huge thanks to the FODS Committee for organising such a memorable evening and also to everyone who came along and supported the event.

Some of the funds raised will be used to purchase resources for the classes, and to help with various Christmas craft activities and parties over the coming week.

Christmas Dinner Non-Uniform

To help make tomorrow's Christmas Dinner day as festive as possible, children will be able to attend school in their Christmas jumpers, t-shirts, hair accessories etc. Please don't go out specially to purchase any festive clothes if you haven't got any, the children can attend in non-uniform.

Non-Uniform last week of term

As a treat for the pupils after a long term at Ysgol Derwen, we want the children to have a memorable and happy last few days at school before we break up for the Christmas Holiday. To help make this happen, children will be able to attend school next week in non-uniform. Again, children can wear their festive jumpers, clothes etc or just attend in non-uniform, but please don't go out and purchase items especially for the last week of term.

Dates

December

- **Wednesday 13 – School Choir singing at the Village Church during the Senior Citizen Christmas Lunch**
- **Wednesday 13 - Christmas Concert – Year 1 & 2 @ 2pm & 5.30pm**
- **Thursday 14 – Christmas Dinner**
- **Wednesday 20 – Rugby taster sessions for Years 3 to 6**
- **Thursday 21 – School closes for Christmas**
- **Friday 22 – Training day**

January

- **Monday January 8th – School open To All Children**

Thank you for your continued support

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