

YSGOL RHOSTYLLLEN

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2025



WELCOME/CROESO

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, where has that year gone! As we come to the end of another hectic school year, I just want to say a massive thank you to all of you for your amazing support. It's been absolutely incredible!

I really feel like I've landed on my feet being the headteacher at Ysgol Rhostyllen. The support from parents, grandparents, and governors has been fantastic. Our staff are truly dedicated, working so hard for your children, and it really shows in everything we do here.

Your children are just brilliant! They've been so kind, caring, and polite, and they've made me feel right at home in their school. I couldn't have asked for a better year to start my journey here.

A special shout-out to our Year 6 students. Thank you for everything you've done for our school! You've been amazing role models, and we all wish you the very best as you head off to your next adventure.

Here's to a relaxing summer for everyone!

Diolch
Mr Huw Rowlands

TEACHER INSET (TRAINING) DAY DATES 25-26

Monday 1st September - 2025
Tuesday 2nd September - 2025
Friday 24th October - 2025
Monday 5th January - 2026
Monday 13th April - 2026

Children return to school on Wednesday 3rd September 2025

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TESCO

If you're a Tesco shopper, we'd really appreciate your help. Whenever you shop at Tesco, don't forget to deposit your blue tokens in the Ysgol Rhostyllen box.

It's a simple way to support our school and can make a massive difference! With your contributions, we're hoping to raise an additional £1500, which would be absolutely brilliant for our pupils and resources.

So next time you're at Tesco, please remember to drop those tokens in. Thank you for your support.

ATTENDANCE

Overall attendance for the whole school since September is **94.1%**. This is an increase from the previous academic year.

SCHOOL NEWS

The school has been through a rigorous application process and we're excited to share that Mr Joshua Owens has joined our team as a teacher for the juniors on a part-time basis, two days a week. He'll be stepping in to cover your child's class during their teacher's Planning, Preparation, and Assessment (PPA) time.

We're also pleased to inform you that the juniors will have one Teaching Assistant between them to support them in class.

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PTFA

I'd like to thank the PTFA for raising such an incredible amount of money this year. They've been busy organising events and dedicating their time to ensure our children have a fantastic experience.

I must admit, it's my fault (Mr Rowlands) that the funds haven't been spent yet, as we're waiting for updates on a couple of projects. However, with the PTFA's support, I promise that the money will be used to benefit every child at our school.

The PTFA have shared a link below to a short questionnaire. If you could spare two minutes to complete it, I would greatly appreciate it!

<https://forms.office.com/e/p6MmBGP107>

SCHOOL ESSENTIALS GRANT

You might be eligible for the School Essentials Grant:

The School Essentials Grant can help cover the costs of:

- school uniform, including coats and shoes
- school activities, including learning a musical instrument, sports kit and other equipment for after school activities
- classroom essentials, including pens, pencils and school bags
- specialist equipment for new curriculum activities such as design and technology
- IT equipment: laptops and tablets only (School Essentials should only be used in limited situations where a school is unable to loan equipment to the family)
- equipment for out-of-school hours trips such as outdoor learning (for example, waterproofs)
- non-uniform essential items such as clothing to support access and involvement in residential outdoor education
- uniform for enrichment activities, including but not limited to: scouts, guides, cadets, martial arts, sports, performing arts, or dance
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Here is the link:

<https://www.gov.wales/school-essentials-grant-help-school-costs>