

Year 5/6 Spring 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a wonderful winter break, and a lovely Christmas for those who celebrate. I am looking forward to the upcoming term, especially our Year 6 Residential Trip to Llangrannog! We have lots of lovely experiences planned and I know that the children will have a fantastic time!

Our Spring Term Questions are:

Spring 1: What role did migration play in shaping Welsh culture and heritage historically.

Spring 2: How does migration continue to influence Welsh culture, identity, and community today?

This topic deepens learners' understanding of Wales' place in the wider world by exploring migration, culture, heritage, political identity, and social studies, while linking to business studies and sustainable travel. It helps pupils in Pontypridd connect their local identity to global narratives, fostering pride in being Welsh while broadening awareness of diversity, change, and global connections.

In **Spring 1**, learners will focus on the Welsh settlement in Patagonia (Y Wladfa), exploring who migrated, why they moved, and Argentina's role in providing land, linking historical migration to cultural identity and heritage. In **Spring 2**, learners will examine migration into Pontypridd, Wales, and Wales more broadly, considering contemporary migration, social integration, and cultural diversity.

Learners will celebrate Welsh traditions, including language, music, literature, and festivals such as the Eisteddfod, while exploring Wales' political identity and role in global movements. Incorporating business studies and sustainable travel encourages learners to understand local economies, responsible engagement with places, and the importance of sustainable practices.

This interdisciplinary approach helps learners appreciate Wales' heritage, culture, and global connections while developing the knowledge, skills, and understanding to engage thoughtfully with local and global issues.



Homework

This term we will be trialling our 'Homework Menu Grid' This will be uploaded via Team and pupils can choose an activity to complete each week. Weekly Spellings will be sent out on a **Friday** to be tested the following **Thursday**.

General Reminders

- Children read in class **at least once a week** though we are aiming for more often. To help us, please ensure that your child brings their book/book bags to school every day.
- The children will have P.E on a **Wednesday** To develop pupil independence please send children with their P.E kit to change in school. They will need a t-shirt, joggers/ leggings and sports shoes. No earrings to be worn on these days.
- With the colder weather approaching, please make sure your children has appropriate outdoor clothes for wet and windy days!
- If you have not yet joined our Teams Channel here is the link [General Mrs Chandler Year 5/6 Microsoft Teams](#). Please join using your child's Hwb e-mail
- Miss Parsons will be teaching the class for 1 and 1/2 days each week while I receive leadership time and PPA.

Please remember you can keep up to date with school life by looking on our Facebook group.

Search: **Parc Lewis on Facebook**.

If any parents have any experience or knowledge that would benefit our Spring Term topics please let me know. We love inviting the school community into our classroom. These learning experiences are invaluable and can help create life-long memories.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to ask.

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