



NEWSLETTER

TY SIGN PRIMARY SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 2026

WELCOME BACK

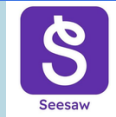
Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful first week we have had at Ty Sign! It has been lovely to welcome everyone back and to see our school once again filled with happy faces, busy classrooms and the familiar sounds of children learning, talking and playing together.

A warm welcome goes to all of our children and families who are new to Ty Sign, and to our youngest children who have started their school journey with us this week.

The beginning of a new school year is always an exciting time. There are new routines to learn, new friendships to make, new challenges to embrace and lots of opportunities ahead. Thank you to our children for making such a positive start and to our staff for the care, energy and enthusiasm they have brought to the new school year.

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting our school uniform expectations as we begin the new school year. It has been wonderful to see our children looking so smart and taking such pride in their appearance. Wearing our uniform helps us to feel part of the Ty Sign community and reinforces that sense of belonging and togetherness that is so important to us. We will continue to encourage our children to take pride in their uniform throughout the year, and we really appreciate your support in helping us to maintain these high standards.



Making Seesaw Messages Easier to Find...

During the summer term, we received some valuable feedback from parents and carers about communication through Seesaw.

In particular, some parents told us that it could sometimes be difficult to remember who had sent a message and to find information again when looking back through previous messages.

We have listened to this feedback and from this academic year, we are making a small change to try to make things easier.

You will continue to have your usual communication with your child's teacher about class-specific information. However, any whole-school message, regardless of which member of staff sends it, will now be sent through one main School Information feed/message.

We hope this will make it much easier for you to recognise whole-school communications and to look back and quickly locate information when you need it.

Thank you for the feedback that helped us to make this change.

New Faces and Celebrations

Congratulations!
We are delighted to welcome some new members of staff to the Ty Sign team. A very warm welcome to Miss Jones, Ms Williams, Mr Verrier and Mrs Gibbs. We are so pleased to have you join our school community and hope you have already received a very warm Ty Sign welcome!

We also have a special celebration to share. A huge congratulations to Miss Trevis, who tied the knot over the summer and has returned to us as Mrs Lemin! We wish her and her husband every happiness.

Investing in Our School Environment

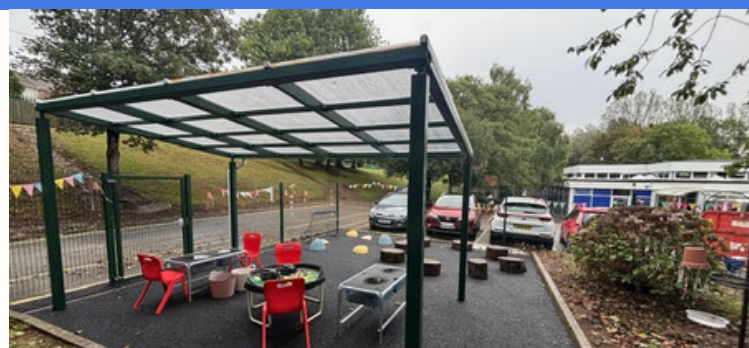
Over the summer, we have continued to invest in our school environment. Many classrooms, both halls and our PS1 - 2 entrance have been freshly painted, with new flooring in Early Years and several classrooms.

You will also notice our gorgeous new canopies on the Years 1-3 yards and our SRB.

A huge thank you to Mr Roberts for overseeing this work throughout the summer, and to Risca East Community Council, who kindly contributed £5,000 towards the canopies. We are very grateful for their support.

We look forward to continuing to improve our learning environments for our children.

Here's a sneak peek...



Healthy Snacks and Medical Needs



A reminder that snacks brought into school should be healthy snacks only. Your child's class teacher will share the arrangements for snacks with you, including any specific information for their class.

If your child has an allergy or medical need, your child's class teacher will be in touch with you to arrange a convenient time to meet and discuss their care plan, ensuring that we have the most up-to-date information and that any medication or other arrangements are in place.

We would also like to remind families that cakes should not be brought into school for birthdays and that we are a nut-free school. This is an important measure to help us keep all of our children safe, particularly those with allergies. We appreciate your understanding and support with this.



We know how useful it is for families to have important school dates all in one place. Our 'At a Glance' diary dates for the academic year will therefore be shared with you alongside this newsletter.

We hope you found this useful last year and that it will once again help you to plan ahead and keep up to date with everything happening across the school.

Remembering Cllr Nigel George

Many of you will have heard the very sad news that one of our school governors, Cllr Nigel George, has sadly passed away.

Nigel was a County Councillor for Risca East Community Council and had been a valued member of our governing body. He was a committed supporter of our school and our community, and we are very grateful for the contribution he made to Ty Sign Primary School.

Our thoughts are with Nigel's family, friends and colleagues at this very difficult time. He will be greatly missed by our school community.



Weds 23rd Sept - 3:30pm - Meet the Teacher (Reception - Year 6)

Fri 25th Sept - European Day of Languages

Fri 25th Sept - 9:00am - Macmillian Coffee Morning - Community Kitchen

Fri 2nd Oct - Harvest Celebrations

Mon 12th Oct - Flu vaccinations

Tues 13th - Thurs 15th Oct - Parent / Carer Consultations

Thurs 15th Oct - Diwrnod Shwmae Su'mae

Fri 16th Oct - Show Racism the Red Card

Sat 17th Oct - 11:00am - 2:00pm - Ty Sign Pumpkin Patch

Weds 21st Oct - Halloween Discos

Thurs 22nd Oct - Individual photographs, Colorfoto 26.10.26 - 30.10.26 - *half term!*

Fri 6th Nov - Choir Community Armistice Concert

Mon 9th Nov - Safe Cycling Year 6

Mon 16th - Fri 20th Nov - Anti-Bullying Week

Mon 16th Nov - Odd Socks Day

Thurs 19th Nov - Non-School Uniform

Fri 20th Nov - Children in Need

Fri 27th Nov - Christmas Market

Weds 2nd Dec - 9:00am - Hot Chocolate & Chat - Community Kitchen

Week beginning 7th Dec - Christmas Concerts

Weds 9th Dec - Christmas Dinner Day (Christmas jumpers too)

Mon 14th Dec - The Winter Woodland Performance

Tues 15th - Weds 16th Dec - Christmas Parties

Fri 18th Dec - 10:15am - Carols at Moriah Baptist Church

Fri 18th Dec - Last day of term

We are looking forward to a happy, successful and exciting year ahead at Ty Sign Primary School.

Best wishes,

Nygarie Long, Headteacher



GET READY FOR OUR BIGGEST AUTUMN EVENT YET! THE FIRST-EVER TY SIGN PRIMARY PUMPKIN PATCH!

We are SO excited to announce our brand new event, and we want YOU, our amazing community, to be a part of it!

Say hello to the Friends of Ty Sign Primary School PUMPKIN PATCH EVENT!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

DATE: 17th October 2026

TIME: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

DON'T MISS!

We're turning our field into a festive wonderland of pumpkins, autumn magic, and spooky fun. Picture this: a massive patch to find your perfect pumpkin, a beautifully decorated pumpkin arch for those crucial photo-ops, donuts, hot drinks, games, crafts, tractors, food vendors and a atmosphere that's bursting with community spirit. It's going to be EPIC!

Grab your tickets via the link below, or through our Friends of Ty Sign Facebook page.

This event is open to EVERYONE, so round up your friends, neighbours, and family for an autumn adventure!



Ty Sign Primary Pumpkin Patch -

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