

## BRYN Y DERYN AND CARNEGIE NEWSLETTER

**February 2023**

Welcome to the February edition of our monthly newsletter. Below, you will find a collection of resources such as help guides, announcements and support services that may be of use to you.

Parents/carers can always contact the centre by calling 02920 529 398 or emailing [schooladmin@brynyderyn.cardiff.sch.uk](mailto:schooladmin@brynyderyn.cardiff.sch.uk)

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### **Improving school attendance**

The school is always aiming to improve attendance. Year 10, 11 and 12 are such important years and there is an established link between attendance and academic achievement.

We are open to, and actively encourage parents to bring in learners at any time they are timetabled to be in. Missing registration or a single lesson does not mean the learner has to miss the entire day. If your child misses their taxi please bring them in and we can keep their taxi on to take them home.

**The last day of term (Spring term 1) is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of February. Learners then return on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February (Spring term 2).**

### **Informing school of non-attendance**

We are required to take a reason for non-attendance for every day that learners are absent. If your child is unable to come to school, please contact the office via phone (02920 529398) or email ([schooladmin@brynyderyn.cardiff.sch.uk](mailto:schooladmin@brynyderyn.cardiff.sch.uk)). This allows us to adhere to legal requirements such as accurate registers and safety/welfare commitments.

We'd like to express our gratitude to parents/carers who have already been contacting school on the occasions that their child is absent.

### **Silver Award for Dyslexia Awareness**

We are proud to share with you that we have become the first setting in Cardiff to achieve the Silver Award for Dyslexia awareness! The award recognises the efforts our school and its staff put in to make sure we are aware and acting on specific learners' needs.

We now look forward to building upon this achievement by earning our Gold Award for Dyslexia Awareness.

### **CAVC open evenings this February**



Please see below for the times and dates of Cardiff and Vale College open days occurring in February:

- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February (4:30-7:30pm) – City Centre Campus (All courses)
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February (4:30-7:30pm) – Barry Campus (All courses)
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February (4:30-7:30pm) – ICAT (Aircraft Engineering courses), Cardiff International Sports Campus (Sport, Public Services and Travel & Tourism courses)
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February (4:30-7:30pm) – Creative Arts Academy (Creative Arts Courses)

### **Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health support**

We have published posts on our blog regarding emotional support that can be accessed via phone, text or email.

TheMix offer support for young people, whilst SANE offers support for adults. This support can be accessed via phone, text or email.

Please see our school blog, accessible via the school website, for the direct links to these services.

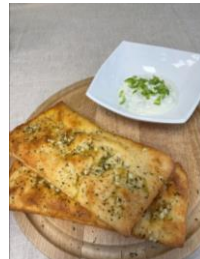
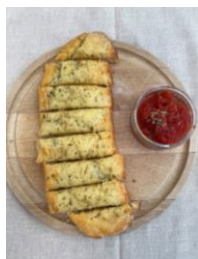
### **Controlled assessments**

CC Year 11s – food and nutrition assessment, on Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Feb, Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Feb and Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Feb

CC – Year 12 BTEC performing arts controlled assessment, on Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Feb and Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Feb

The science unit 1 NEA controlled assessment and photography, art and textiles assessments for Year 11s will be held later in the term. An exams timetable will be sent out with further details.

The BYD Year 11s began their food and nutrition assessments this week. Food has been cooked to an incredible standard and looks great – an amazing effort by all! We'd also like to wish good luck to those learners who are still due to complete their assessments.



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For updates, information and useful resources, please follow us on Twitter [@byd\\_and\\_cc](#).

## **See our Blog**

Much of this information in this newsletter is first put out on our blog. If you are interested in receiving this information when it comes out, please check [the blog](#).

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We hope you have found the above information useful. Please don't hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

