

Language, Literacy & Communication

Fiction genres:

Factual: Somebody Swallowed Stanley - retell

Retell: The River: An Epic Journey to the Sea by Patricia Hegarty

Poetry: Wonderful World Poetry inspired by Louis Armstrong's song - What A Wonderful World

Narrative: Peter Puffin - retell

Cymraeg:

- Ble rwyd ti'n byw?
- Faint ydy dy oed di?
- Sut mae'r tywydd heddiw?
- Colours/Pa liw?
- Ga i ...
- Beth wyt ti'n hoffi? Dw i'n hoffi ...
- Ble rwyd ti'n byw? Dw i'n byw ...
- gyda....
- Pam?
- Ble mae.....?
- Ble rwyd ti'n mynd?
- Dw i'n mynd ...



International Language - French

Science & Technology

- What happens to my seed after I have planted it? (ideal conditions to grow a healthy plant)
- Animals and their habitats - create a minibeast habitat out of recyclable material
- Life-cycles
- Exploring and sorting magnetic and non-magnetic items
- Explore light sources and shadows
- Food technology - preparing, making and measuring
- STEM: Problem solving in the context of construction and engineering
- Communicating safely online - email
- Directing, coding Bluebots
- Designing and building bridges

Byd Bendigedig - How can Wales help the World?

This term, Year 2 will be researching and exploring the effects of pollution in Wales and around the world. We will learn which items can be recycled and how recycling helps protect minibeasts and other animals. As part of our outdoor learning, we will gather information about the insects and creatures living in our school grounds and design safe habitats for them. Inspired by the story Rosa Explores Life Cycles, we will investigate different animal life cycles.



In art, we will use our observational skills to sketch a range of fruits and explore the work of Helen Elliott and use shapes and bright, bold colours to recreate beautiful Welsh landscapes. We will also write descriptive poems inspired by rivers and the ocean. To support our learning, we will visit Blackwood Library to discover more about Wales and the wider world. We are also planning a trip to the local river to investigate where it flows. Through our creative work and discoveries, the children will be encouraging others to appreciate and visit Blackwood and wonderful Wales.

Mathematics & Numeracy

- Division & arrays/grouping
- Shape
- Data handling
- Position & Angles
- Symmetry
- Problem-solving
- Co-ordinates

Expressive Arts

- Observational drawings of fruits inspired by Lawrie Baldwyn
- Painting landscapes and seascapes in the style of the Welsh artist Helen Elliott
- Observational drawing and using different art media
- Painting using bold colour choices
- Sewing - running stitch

Health & Well-being

Jigsaw: Relationships - building positive, healthy relationships

Changing Me - Coping positively with Change

Healthy diet/balanced meals

PE- weekly sessions and Commando Joe's



Humanities

- The Creation Story
- Sustainability in Wales - what does Wales do to protect the environment?
- Recycling and caring for the environment - how can we help?
- What can we recycle, reuse, rehome?
- Research the Urdd and Eisteddfod celebrations

How can I support my child this term?

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Read with your child

Access [Oxford Owl](#)

Use Google Classroom access to a range of literacy tasks

Play simple [Welsh games/apps](#)

Explore the amazing international resources available FREE through Cerdd Iaith at <https://listeningtolanguage.com/resources/>



Science & Technology

Research a range of scientific concepts together at home (see above)

- Experiment at home by completing simple STEM experiments
- Have FUN with science
- Balance screen time when developing digital skills
- Starters for [STEM free ideas](#)
- Use Hwb and Google Classroom to complete challenges online
- Build models and talk about them
- Design and build a bridge taking inspiration from famous bridges in Wales and the world
- Explore and create healthy snacks and recipes
- Design and create habitats to help insects, minibeasts and animals stay safe
- Explore magnetic and non-magnetic items in your home
- Explore sounds heard in your locality

Mathematics & Numeracy

Use the following online tools to develop numeracy skills at home

- [Mathletics](#)
- [Hit the Button](#)
- [Access Hwb](#) and J2e's range of numeracy apps
- Develop rapid recall of the 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 6x and 10x tables
- Create symmetrical patterns
- Look for 2D and 3D shapes in your home

Byd Bendigedig - Wonderful World

How can Wales help the World?



Expressive Arts

- Provide opportunities to sketch a range of different items
- Explore using coloured pencils, pastels and paints to create pictures
- Explore traditional dance routines
- Create dance patterns and movements
- Access the [Charanga](#) music platform to develop musical knowledge and techniques at home

Health & Well-being

Find ways to develop health and wellbeing together as a family. You could try:

- Explore the outdoor areas Blackwood and Wales has to offer - Take a walk in nature
- Develop independence: zipping up their own coat; using the toilet; personal hygiene, dressing themselves; tying laces, tidying up
- Discuss 'road safety' linked to Kercraft sessions
- Encourage healthy food choices-try different foods
- Encourage exercise and a healthy lifestyle-walk, run, jump, balance, ride a bike, get plenty of sleep

Humanities

- Research facts about items that can be recycled
- Help recycle items at home
- Take time to explore the local green areas
- Use the internet or Google earth to explore Wales and the World
- Discuss previous holiday memories and places you would like to visit
- Compare Blackwood to Wales and the wider World
- [Topmarks games](#)
- [BBC Bitesize - mapping the world](#)
- [World Geography games](#)

Educational Visits/Workshops

- Blackwood Library visit
- Local river visit

