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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Pori Drwy Stori- the Rhyme Challenge

Pori Drwy Stori is an exciting bilingual programme aimed at supporting children's literacy in the Reception class. The programme provides resources for use in the classroom and at home encouraging parents to continue in their vital role as partners in their children's learning. The programme has been designed and delivered by Booktrust Cymru and is funded by the Welsh Government.

There are three main elements to the scheme, one for each school term. Each element contains a series of resources which are sent to school to be used in class and to be sent home for parents to use with their children. This term the focus is on the Sialens Rhigwm (the Rhyme Challenge), and the aim is to encourage an early love of poetry and rhymes whilst encouraging the advantages of learning with your child. The enclosed pack contains an explanatory letter and an A4 poster of the Welsh rhymes which are intended to be learnt in class (a set of English rhymes is also available on the website).

The children have previously learned some of the rhymes in class, but as a number of them are traditional ones, the words are often learnt differently! To follow the scheme correctly therefore, we will be using the words on the attached sheet. There is a website to support the scheme www.poridrwystori.booktrust.org.uk. The website is an excellent resource with many different reading ideas (both in English and Welsh). There are ideas for books and interactive reading resources. It is also possible to listen to the rhymes and songs through the link https://www.poridrwystori.org.uk/cy/audio-rhymes/.

Thank you very much for your cooperation,

Rhian Sennitt