



Dear Parent / Guardian,

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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 throughout the year, 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 'Her Rigymu' (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 a 'Family Guide to Pori Drwy Stori' which is an activity leaflet explaining Pori Drwy Stori and a copy of the 'Rhyme Challenge' booklet for your child to be used at home during the 'challenge'.

Your child's teacher will decide upon the weekly rhymes/songs the children will learn in class. A weekly Schoop notification will be sent at the end of each week advising which rhyme will be learnt in the class the following week. You will need to write the name of the rhyme in the booklet (page 4) and at the end of the week, or after you have learnt the rhyme with your child, you will need to colour the box for that week. The audio songs and rhymes are available on the BookTrust Wales website booktrust.org.uk/poridrwystori. 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. At the end of the Rhyme Challenge, each child will receive a certificate to celebrate their achievement. Please remember to post pictures on the school's Twitter account! (@ygcwmbran)

Thank you very much for your cooperation and we hope you enjoy the resources.

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