

17th December 2025

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Dear Staff,

It's a special time of year as we approach the Christmas and New Year period. This term has flown by, filled with wonderful moments and cherished memories.

I'm incredibly proud of everyone's hard work and dedication throughout the term. Witnessing our pupils' achievements each day has been inspiring. It's been a pleasure catching up with so many of you at our Christmas events- thank you for attending and your continued support of everything we do across our schools. A special thank you goes to our staff across the Federation for their timeless efforts in making these events such a success. Your commitment and teamwork have been outstanding.

I'd also like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils who have settled into our schools and classes so well. It's fantastic to hear such positive feedback from our learners and staff, with many achievements already being celebrated- well done to everyone.

We've shared lots of key information with you this term, and I've captured these below with links to the Federation website for you to access:

School Development Summary Plans- [School Development Plans. Cynllun Gweithredu Ysgol | Western Learning Federation](#)

Pupil Development Grant Summary- <https://www.westernlearningfederation.co.uk/school-development-plans-cynllun-gweithredu-ysgol/>

Annual Report to Parents- <https://www.westernlearningfederation.co.uk/pupil-development-grant-pdg-y-grant-datblygu-disgy/>

Woodlands School Session Times Consultation- [Fairwater Building Project- Riverbank and Woodlands High \(With Cantonian\). Prosiect Adeiladu'r Tyllgoed - Ysgol Riverbank ac Ysgol Woodlands | Western Learning Federation](#)

Cardiff Council announces major expansion of specialist education provision for children and young people with Additional Learning Needs- [Letters from the Executive Headteacher. Llythyron gan y Pennaeth Gweithredol | Western Learning Federation](#)

BESL have created a walk through video of Riverbank and Woodlands for us. - click the play button on the image [Walk With Us Around Fairwater Campus](#)

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Western Learning Federation Magazine Winter Edition- [Magazine | Western Learning Federation](#)

Cardiff Council ALN Pre-Cabinet December 2025 Parents letter- [Letters from the Executive Headteacher. Llythyron gan y Pennaeth Gweithredol | Western Learning Federation](#)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we look forward to another positive and successful year across the Federation.

All pupils will return to schools across the Federation on the Tuesday 6th January 2026

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Wayne Murphy
Executive Headteacher of the Western Learning Federation