9th June
Thought of the day

Today's headlines

Friday 9th June

Warning firms may use brain data to watch workers

Companies in the future may use brain-monitoring technology to watch or hire workers, the data watchdog says.

Workplace monitoring is one of a number of hypothetical future uses of neurotech explored in the report.

It comes as companies such as Elon Musk's Neuralink explore new ways to let computers connect to human brains.

Neuralink has won permission for human trials of its implantable brain-computer interface and is reportedly now worth $5bn (£4bn) although it is still a long way from a commercial product.

In four to five years, the ICO suggests, "as employee tracking expands, the workplace may routinely deploy neurotechnology for safety, productivity and recruitment".

Helmets or safety equipment might measure the attention and focus of an employee in high-risk environments.

Welsh headlines

Dydd Gwener Mehefin 8fed

Artificial lawns: Wales ban considered by minister

The possibility of a Wales-wide ban on artificial grass has been raised by a government minister.

Climate Change Minister Julie James said there were "worrying reports" that the "toxicity coming off artificial grass" could be "quite alarming".

She told the Senedd she wanted to "explore proactively" whether Wales' new law banning some single-use plastics could be used for such a ban.

Fake lawns have become popular because they do not require mowing, but natural gardens cool urban areas and have a key role absorbing rain, reducing the risk of flash flooding, and offering much needed refuge for wildlife.

Artificial grass is made of plastic and other synthetic materials, which, despite the perception of being maintenance free, requires regular cleaning and has a life span of eight to 15 years, after which sustainable disposal can be challenging.

Key-hole garden

'to bring us your 2l plastic bottles'

- We are building a key-hole garden with the Basotho Students in June, in the Burns Centre, Kidwelly.
- It will be made partially of 2L plastic bottles.
- If anyone has any 2L plastic bottles, could you please take them to Lee's room in A block.

Thank you for all your help,

Fran Mackie.

This Day in History

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Chocolate rescue

Two people are rescued after falling into a tank of chocolate at a Mars factory in Pennsylvania!

One patient was transported by ground and one person was transported by helicopter to hospital. Fire crews had eliminated pulling them straight out of the tank and had to cut a hole in the side of the tank to get them out.

In an incident which could easily have been ripped from the pages of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, the pair fell waist high into an enormous vat of chocolate and were unable to climb out without assistance.

The plant, located 12 miles from Hershey, Pennsylvania, is known for making a variety of products, including M&Ms.

Welsh phrase of the week

"Arholiadau"

"Exams"

Cofiwch:
Monday lunchtime 13.10-13.30
Clwb Cymraeg in rm 34

CYMRU

Use it to learn it!

Word of the week

Improve your literacy

Word:

Flourish

Noun **Verb** Adjective

Definition:

To develop rapidly and successfully.

The word in use:

"This school is the perfect environment for the young people in our community to flourish."

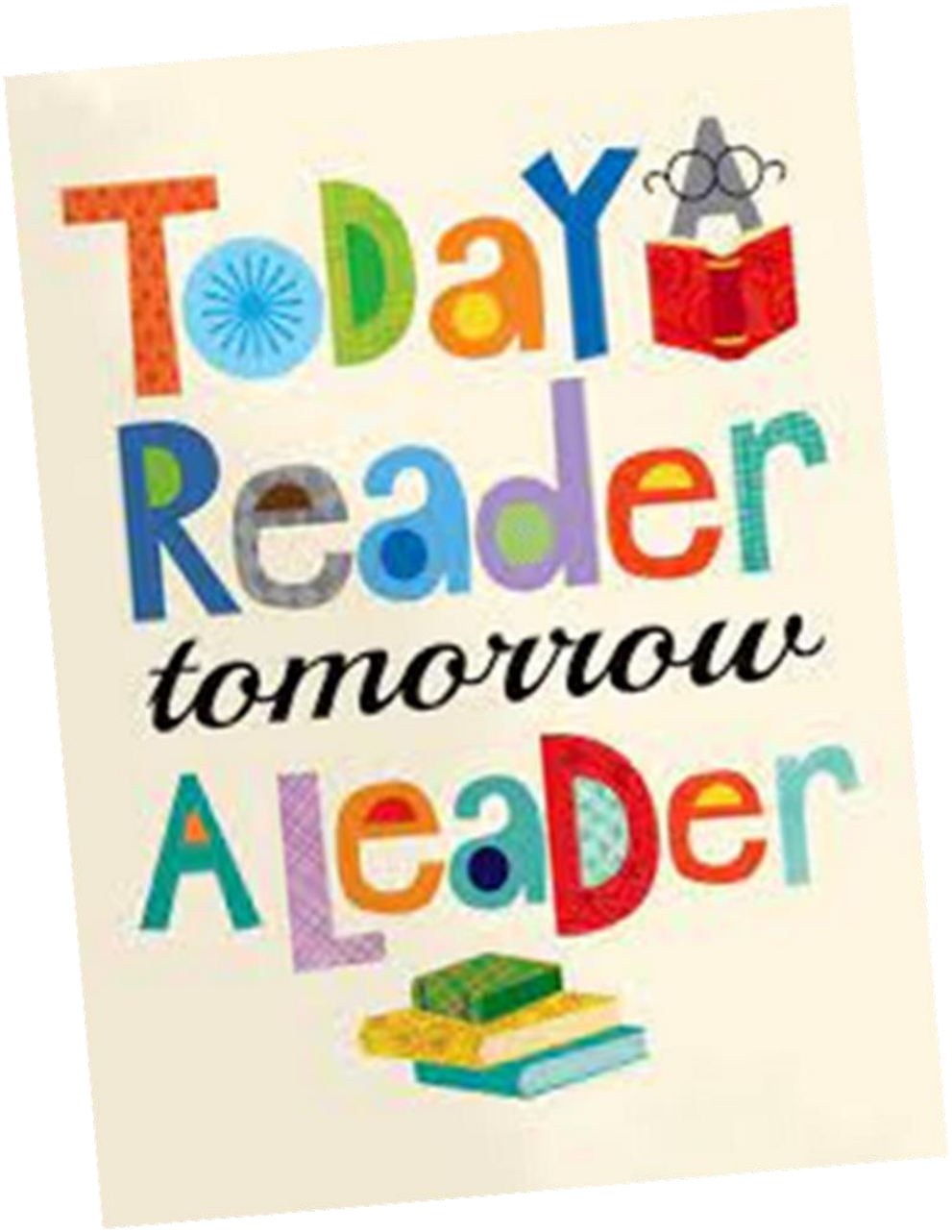
Today's lunchtime rota –

11, 10, 8, 7, 9

Today's menu

- Chicken curry and rice
- Fish and chips
- Sausage roll
- Panini/wrap

For more items of news, click the Newsround link below.



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