



Black Lane

School Development Plan

2026-2027

Child Friendly

This year we are making our *learning meaningful* and *connected*

Our Goal

We want every child to:

- ✓ Understand why they are learning something
- ✓ Show how learning connects together
- ✓ Use their skills in lots of different situations

What This Means for You

- Learning will begin with exciting questions
- You will learn things that connect to real life
- You will make links between different subjects
- You will understand how learning helps you now and in the future

How We Will Do This

1. Challenging Lessons - **Activities that make you think hard**
2. Helpful Feedback - **Tips to make your work even better**
3. Celebrate Challenge - **Mistakes = learning steps!**
4. Teamwork - **Sharing and learning together**

How You Can Help

- Ask questions
- Be curious
- Share your ideas
- Think about how your learning connects together

How We'll Know It's Working

- Children can explain why they are learning
- Children can make links between subjects
- Learning feels meaningful and exciting



This year we are becoming amazing **writers**

Our Goal

We want everyone in our school to:

- ✓ Write longer pieces of writing independently
- ✓ Improve their writing through editing and improving
- ✓ Write for different purposes and audiences

How We Will Do This

- Talk4Writing strategies
- Planning, drafting and editing writing
- Writing in lots of subjects
- Sharing and celebrating great writing

What This Means for You

- More opportunities to write longer pieces
- Time to improve your work
- Writing linked to topics
- Learning new ways to make writing interesting

How You Can Help

- Read regularly (as this helps writing)
- Try your best with presentation
- Use feedback to improve your work
- Take pride in your writing

How We'll Know It's Working

- Children write longer pieces confidently
- Writing improves after editing
- Handwriting and presentation are neat
- Pupils are proud of their work



This year we are becoming **Maths Problem Solvers**

Our Goal

We want every child to:

- ✓ Become confident mathematicians
- ✓ Explain their thinking clearly
- ✓ Solve real life problems

What This Means for You

- You will tackle challenges that make you think
- You will explain how you found your answers
- You will use maths in different subjects
- You will learn different ways to solve problems

How We Will Do This

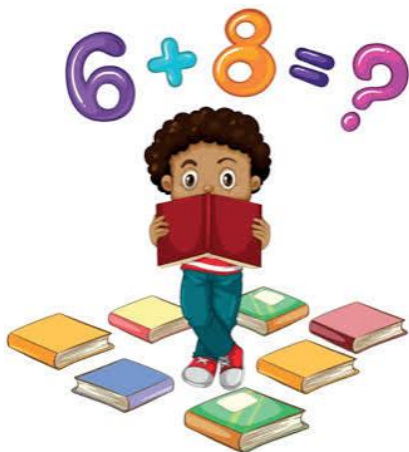
- Problems solving challenges
- Mental maths practice
- Real life maths activities
- Working together to explain solutions

How You Can Help

- Have a go even if it is tricky
- Explain your thinking
- Use maths around you
- Keep practising number facts

How We'll Know It's Working

- Children can explain their answers
- More pupils solve problems independently
- Maths is used confidently in real life situations



This year we are speaking **more Welsh every day**

Our Goal

We want every child to:

- ✓ Use Welsh confidently throughout the day
- ✓ Respond to Welsh instructions
- ✓ Enjoy speaking Welsh with others

What This Means for You

- More opportunities to speak Welsh
- New Welsh words and phrases to learn
- Fun activities and conversation
- Using Welsh in lessons and around school

How We Will Do This

- Daily Welsh speaking opportunities
- Criw Cymraeg activities
- Welsh celebration and Eisteddfod events
- Café Cymraeg and community activities

How You Can Help

- Use Welsh whenever you can
- Have a go even if you make mistakes
- Encourage your friends
- Listen carefully to new vocabulary

How We'll Know It's Working

- More Welsh is heard around school
- Children respond confidently in Welsh
- Pupils enjoy speaking Welsh



This year we are helping everyone **feel happy, safe and successful**

Our Goal

We want every child to:

- ✓ Feel happy and safe in school
- ✓ Understand and manage their emotions
- ✓ Have their voice heard

What This Means for You

- Learning about emotions and wellbeing
- Taking part in pupil groups
- Having opportunities to share ideas
- Getting support when you need it

How We Will Do This

- Zones of regulation
- Wellbeing groups and pupil leadership
- Calm and supportive classrooms
- Activities to help everyone belong

How You Can Help

- Talk about your feelings
- Be kind and respectful
- Help others
- Share your ideas to improve our school

How We'll Know It's Working

- Children feel safe and happy
- Pupils know how to regulate emotions
- Everyone feels included
- Pupil voice helps improve the school

