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Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Addysg a Sgiliau To ask the Minister for Education and Skills

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Beth yw'r meini prawf ar gyfer dewis aelodau lleyg i eistedd ar Dribiwnlys Anghenion Addysgol Arbennig Cymru. (WAQ59714)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): What are the criteria for choosing lay members to sit on the Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales. (WAQ59714)

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The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews): The Special Educational Needs Disability Tribunal (General Provisions and Disability Claims) Regulations 2002 make provision as to who may be a lay member of the Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales (SENTW). It is intended to revoke the 2002 regulations, but the provision as to who may be a lay member will be re-enacted in the Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales 2012. The 2012 regulations were laid before the National Assembly for Wales on 13 February 2012.

In addition the person specification and eligibility requirements for the appointment of lay members to the Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales are contained within the publication Information for Candidates, Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales, Appointment of Lay Members. This non-statutory publication was issued by the Welsh Government in January 2010,to assist those appointing lay members. This is the most recent recruitment exercise of lay members to the SENTW. A copy of the publication is attached.



Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Pryd fydd yr ystadegwyr sy'n gyfrifol am gyflawni cyfrifiadau sy'n ymwneud â pha ysgolion cynradd fydd yn cael eu heithrio o'r system fandio ysgolion cynradd, yn cwblhau'r gwaith a amlinellwyd yn ateb y Gweinidog i WAQ59648. (WAQ59718)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): When will statisticians tasked with performing calculations related to which primary schools will be excluded from the primary school banding system, complete the work outlined in the Ministers answer to WAQ59648. (WAQ59718)

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Leighton Andrews: I set out in my Written Statement of December 2, 2011, that primary schools will be provided with their provisional bands by the end of the Spring Term 2012. At that point, the number of primary schools to be excluded from the primary school banding system will be known, albeit on a provisional basis.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Pa gamau gafodd eu cymryd i annog ysgolion Cymru i nodi ei bod hi'n 200 mlynedd ers genedigaeth Charles Dickens. (WAQ59723)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): What steps were taken to encourage Welsh schools to mark the 200th anniversary of Charles Dickens' birth. (WAQ59723)

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Leighton Andrews: The delivery of the school curriculum in Wales is rightly delegated to schools and teachers have a great deal of freedom to choose topics and approaches relevant to their pupils. The school curriculum for Wales was revised in 2008. One of the overall aims of the revised curriculum is to reduce prescription and to give control and responsibility to schools and to learners themselves. Schools are able to mark the 200th anniversary of Charles Dickens if they wish.

The national curriculum for English in Wales provides learners with the opportunities to develop their reading skills by experiencing a wide range of text types. The programmes of study do not specify what these texts should be and there is no set list given to schools. The exception however is at Key Stage 3 where it is a statutory requirement for learners to study Shakespeare. The Welsh Government will continue to support schools and teachers to deliver the statutory curriculum in imaginative, innovative and effective ways through our curriculum guidance materials and exemplars of standards.

The Welsh Government intends to mark the centenary of Dylan Thomas' birth in 2014 with a high profile festival which builds on existing events, such as the Dylan Thomas prize, and a small number of high profile new events, to deliver tourism, socio/cultural benefits and to raise Wales' International profile.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Cyllid ac Arweinydd y Ty To ask the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House

Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): A wnaiff y Gweinidog gyhoeddi'r adroddiad ar AWEMA a gafodd ei gynhyrchu gan Lywodraeth Cymru yn 2003. (WAQ59715)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister publish the report into AWEMA which was produced by the Welsh Government in 2003. (WAQ59715)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 20 Chwefror 2012 Answer received for publication on 20 February 2012

The Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (Jane Hutt): A copy of this report was published and a copy placed in the library in November 2003 in response to an earlier written question on this matter (WAQ29781).

Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): Faint o Gadeiryddion presennol Cyrff a Noddir gan Lywodraeth Cymru sydd wedi datgan ymlyniad i blaid wleidyddol, naill ai'n hanesyddol neu nawr, a beth oedd cyfanswm yr ymlyniadau a ddatganwyd ar gyfer pob plaid wleidyddol. (WAQ59716)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): How many of the current Chairs of Welsh Government Sponsored Bodies have declared an affiliation to a political party, either historic or current, and what were the total affiliations declared for each political party. (WAQ59716)

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Jane Hutt: Public appointees are not required to make declarations on political affiliations as a matter of course and so the information requested is not available. However, appointees are required to make a

declaration on political activity undertaken in the five years prior to taking up an appointment. In addition the Welsh Government's Guidance on a Code of Practice for WGSB Members places restrictions on the level and nature of political activity which may be undertaken whilst holding a public office. Members are required to inform the Chair and/or the sponsor department before undertaking any political activity of a type that is restricted under the terms of their appointment. The Chair and Members are also required to declare any interests which may conflict with their responsibilities as Board members.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): Faint o Gadeiryddion presennol Byrddau Iechyd Lleol Cymru sydd wedi datgan ymlyniad i blaid wleidyddol, naill ai'n hanesyddol neu nawr, a beth oedd cyfanswm yr ymlyniadau a ddatganwyd ar gyfer pob plaid wleidyddol. (WAQ59717)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): How many of the current Chairs of Welsh Local Health Boards have declared an affiliation to a political party, either historic or current, and what were the total affiliations declared for each political party. (WAQ59717)

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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths): I will write to you and a copy of the letter will be placed on the internet.

Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad See Information Further to Written Assembly Questions

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Faint o gyplau hyd yn hyn sydd wedi wynebu oedi cyn cael eu triniaeth ffrwythlondeb o ganlyniad i'r cyfyngiadau ar gapasiti yn IVF Cymru yn Ysbyty Athrofaol Cymru yng Nghaerdydd. (WAQ59719)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): How many couples to date have had their fertility treatment delayed as a result of the restrictions to capacity at IVF Wales at UHW in Cardiff. (WAQ59719)

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Sawl cwrs o IVF sydd wedi cael ei wneud ar y GIG ym mhob un o'r unedau sy'n darparu IVF ar y GIG yng Nghymru ym mhob un o'r pum mlynedd diwethaf. (WAQ59720)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): How many courses of IVF have been performed on the NHS at each of the units providing IVF on the NHS in Wales in each of the last five years. (WAQ59720)

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Lesley Griffiths: This information is held by Health Boards through their joint work on the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC). I have asked my officials to contact WHSSC to obtain the information and I shall write to you with this shortly.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Llywodraeth Leol a Chymunedau To ask the Minister for Local Government and Communities

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Dwyrain Caerfyrddin a Dinefwr): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu ei gynigion i gynnwys y Fenter Tocynnau Teithio Rhatach ar Drafnidiaeth Gymunedol yng Nghynllun Trafnidiaeth Cenedlaethol Llywodraeth Cymru. (WAQ59721)

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Will the Minister outline his proposals to include the Community Transport Concessionary Fares initiative (CTCFI) within the Welsh Government's National Transport Plan. (WAQ59721)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 16 Chwefror 2012 Answer received for publication on 16 February 2012

The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant): I will write to you and a copy of the letter will be put on the internet.

Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad See Information Further to Written Assembly Questions

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Dwyrain Caerfyrddin a Dinefwr): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu pa asesiad gafodd ei wneud o'r Fenter Tocynnau Teithio Rhatach ar Drafnidiaeth Gymunedol a oedd yn sail i'r penderfyniad i ddod â'r fenter i ben. (WAQ59722)

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Will the Minister outline what assessment was made of the Community Transport Concessionary Fares Initiative (CTCFI) on which the decision to end the initiative was based. (WAQ59722)

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Carl Sargeant: I will write to you and a copy of the letter will be put on the internet.

Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad See Information Further to Written Assembly Questions