

GARNTEG PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Lythys - Newsletter - 6th December 2019

This half term our value is

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Annwyl Rhieni,

Dear Parent/Carer,

Diary Dates/Forthcoming Events

8/12/19 Pisgah fellowship Christmas concert at Talywain Pensioners hall. Children to arrive 10.40 for 11am start 22/12/19 Carols Under the Arch at The Big Arch Abersychan - 6.00pm.

Christmas Concert Dates

9/12/19-Year 3 at 1:30pm 10/12/19-Year 4 at 10am 11/12/19-Year 2 at 1:30pm Garndiffaith Millennium Hall

Good News Assembly for Key Stage 2 and Foundation Phase will be cancelled next week, pupils of the week will be carried forward to the following week.

Attendance

Our Attendance Winners for last week in Foundation Phase were Dosbarth 5 with 95.5% & KS2 winners were Dosbarth 12 with 98.2% The overall attendance last week was 92.57%. We need a big push up to Christmas to get us back up to the magic 95%

Withdrawing children early from school

We have noticed a vast increase in school time medical and other appointments. Please may we remind all parents to ask for appointments outside school times. Children will only be released if a medical card is handed into the office beforehand. Also, children cannot be released early from school in afternoon sessions unless it has been agreed beforehand for a Medical/Optician/Dental appointment. Thank you.

School Uniform

Can we remind parents/carers and pupils that all pupils need to wear school uniform. Our school colours are red and grey. Our school uniform is as follows:

Red sweatshirt, cardigan, sweater, white shirt/polo shirt, grey/black trousers or grey/black skirt.

<u>Concert Tickets</u> - Concert Tickets for all Classes are now available to purchase online only. £2 each maximum two tickets per performance, surplus tickets may be available later. When ordering online please ensure you put total amount in £, not total number of tickets required. Please ensure you order tickets from the **correct class and not year group**.

Year 6 Residential Final balance to be paid by Friday 10th January 2020.

Community Carol Service

A big thank you to Children and Parents who came to the Millennium Hall on Sunday to our Community Carol Service

<u>Christmas Lunch</u> - Children will have their Festive Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 18th December. No Funky Fillings will be available, so if your child is not having Christmas Lunch, they will need to bring a packed lunch. Please bring in the signed permission slip back into school. Please could you also ensure there is enough credit on your child's school lunch account.

Nursery Craft Sessions

We would like to invite parents/carers/grandparents etc in to take part in a Christmas craft session with your children on 12th December at 10.45 for morning nursery and 2.15 for afternoon nursery. We will have lots of fun together.

<u>Christmas Jumper Days</u> - Christmas jumpers can be worn to school every Friday throughout December and for Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 18th December, for a one-off donation of £1.

Blaenavon Heritage Centre

Join us on Saturday 7th December between 11.00 - 4.00 to make unique Christmas gifts for all the family to enjoy.

Nursery

On Monday 9^{th} December it is Elf Day! The children can come dressed as an elf or wear a festive jumper. I would like to remind all parents/carers that any absences need to be reported to the office and snack money is collected on Mondays, £1 for the week. Please check your child has a spare set of clothes left on their peg in nursery as well as a P.E kit. Thank you!

Dosbarth 1&2

Thank you for all of your support with our concerts this week, we hope you enjoyed watching them. We are excited for our elf day on Monday 9th December, please remember that the children can wear Christmas clothes/jumpers for this day.

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Dosbarth 5 & 6

Class 5 and 6 are super excited to perform our Christmas Concert to parents/carers on 11th December at The Millennium Hall. We look forward to seeing you there. If your child has not brought in their costume yet, please bring in ready for our dress rehearsal Monday 9th December. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dosbarth 7 & 8

Dosbarth 7 and 8 are looking forward to performing our Christmas concert of 'I'm Gonna Shine!' Just a reminder to buy your tickets online and tickets will then be given to the children to bring home. Our classes will be celebrating all their hard work this term with an Elf Day on Monday 16th December. Children can dress up as elves or wear their Christmas jumpers/dresses. Looking forward to our fun day!

Dosbarth 9 & 10

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Dosbarth 11, 12, 13 & 14

Well done to all the children for your wonderful performances of the Lion King this week. It was such an amazing show and all the staff are so proud of you!

Kind regards, Mrs S E Roche & all the Staff at Garnteg

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