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Lythys - Newsletter - 13th March 2020
"This half term our value is" Kindness"

Dear Parent/Carer,
 Annwyl Rhieni

Diary Dates/Forthcoming Events

- Tuesday 17th March - Class 4 Assembly
- Tuesday 17th March - Torfaen Dance Competition
- Tuesday 24th March - Class 12 Assembly
- Monday 30th March - Wednesday 1st April - Year 6 Residential Trip to London
- Monday 30th March and Tuesday 31st March - Parent Consultations for Nursery to Year 5
- Year 6 Parent Consultations - Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st April
- Friday 3rd April - Inset Day - Easter Holidays begin
- Monday 20th April - School returns after Easter Holidays
- Friday 22nd May - Inset Day
- Monday 1st June - Wednesday 3rd June - Year 5 Residential Trip to Holmbury
- Monday 8th June - Inset
- Monday 20th July - Inset Day

Good News Assembly for Key Stage 2 is held on Thursdays 9:15am. Foundation Phase will be held on Fridays at 9.15am. Parents/carers are welcome to attend to celebrate their children having pupil of the week.

Foundation Phase		KS2	
Dosbarth 1 Miss Carrol	Elsie-Rae	Dosbarth 7 Mrs Lewis	Alysha
Dosbarth 2 Mr Key	Jacob B	Dosbarth 8 Miss Paske	Lincoln
Dosbarth 3 Miss Bones	Seren	Dosbarth 9 Mrs Rogers	Ethan E
Dosbarth 4 Miss Brooks	Georgina	Dosbarth 10 Mrs Messore	Alaina
Dosbarth 5 Mrs Attewell	Tillie-Mae	Dosbarth 11 Miss Grimmas	Kaiden
Dosbarth 6 Mrs Ally-Perrett	Jayden	Dosbarth 12 Miss Williams	Noah
		Dosbarth 13 Mrs Parker Evans	Oscar
		Dosbarth 14 Mr Phillips	Alivia

Attendance

Our Attendance Winners for last week in Foundation Phase were Dosbarth 4 with 98% & KS2 winners were Dosbarth 7 with 98.7%. The overall attendance was 96.3%. Very well done everyone!

Please contact the school office by 10.00am if your child is absent. You can either phone and leave a message, email or use the website attendance page to report your child absent. It is a legal requirement to record all absences and has important safeguarding reasons. Thank you for your continued support.

Coronavirus - Public Information

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours. To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus

Welsh Government has issued guidance for schools and other educational settings, providing advice about the coronavirus, COVID-19.

<https://gov.wales/guidance-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Please could children bring in their own individual water bottles for drinking water in the classrooms

Easter Egg Hunt - our Easter Egg Hunt will be held in school on Thursday 26th March, if you wish your child to take part, please send in a donation of £1.50 and complete and sign the permission slip given to your child.

Nursery Craft Session & Easter Bonnet Parade will be held on Wednesday 1st April at 10.30 for morning nursery and 2.15 for afternoon nursery.

Easter Bonnet Parade Our Easter Bonnet Parade this year will be held on Tuesday 31st March for Foundation Phase and Wednesday 1st April for Key Stage 2.

Marie Curie - Daffodil Appeal - this year we raised £145. Well done everyone!

Bronze Ambassadors Award Training

A big well done to the Sports Council pupils who have completed their Bronze Ambassador Award Training at Pontypool Active Living Centre. The Sports Council are excited and enthusiastic in helping our pupils at Garnteg become more active. Look out for posters and information in assemblies regarding new running clubs and the start of Fitness Friday. Watch this space!

Year 5 Residential Polite reminder - Full payment for trip is due by **Wednesday 18th March**. Thank you.

Year 5 Swimming

Year 5 pupils have now started swimming on Wednesday mornings. This is a compulsory part of the curriculum. Please ensure pupils bring suitable swim wear, goggles, clean underwear and a towel. No aerosols or glass bottles. A weekly fee of £1.50 applies and needs to be paid on the cashless system online to cover the cost of transport. Thank you.

Torfaen Dance Competition

Thank you to all the pupils who have joined to compete in the Torfaen Dance Competition on **Tuesday March 17th**. All permission slips need to be handed in by Monday. Please see your child's letter for costume information. Please encourage your child to practise at home and encourage their enthusiasm for dance. We are excited to compete and confident that we will do Garnteg proud by showing what excellent dancers and performers we have at our school.

FareShare - fighting hunger, tackling food waste

Noddfa Church is proud to partner with FareShare to distribute FREE quality food to all those in need. 10.00am on Sundays - 10.00am on Tuesdays and 6.00pm on Wednesdays. This service is open to anyone, whether you are in full-time employment or on universal credit. If you are struggling to feed the family come to Noddfa Church and help yourself. We will ask no questions, just happy to serve.

Nursery - A reminder that all nursery children need a spare change of clothes left on their pegs in case of accidents or messy play. We now have a very low supply of spare clothes in nursery.

Dosbarth 3 & 4 - A big Da Iawn to those children who took part in the Pontypool Eisteddfod Tuesday. We were all very proud of you! **Class 4** Our class assembly is Tuesday 17th March at 9.15am, we have been practicing lots and cannot wait to show you all.

Dosbarth 5 & 6 - Llongyfarchiadau to Year 2 pupils who competed in the Pontypool Eisteddfod Tuesday. We are proud to announce that Foundation Phase came third place overall.

Dosbarth 7 & 8 -

A big bendigedig to all year 3 children who took part in the Pontypool Eisteddfod. Just a reminder to bring wellies for our outdoor project every Friday.

Dosbarth 9 & 10 - Please could all children bring in an individual water bottle for use in class.

Dosbarth 11 & 12 -

Da iawn to all who took part in the Pontypool Eisteddfod. Reminder for P.E kit to be in every Monday and swimming kit on a Wednesday.

Dosbarth 13 & 14 -

Bendigedig to the pupils in Year 6 who took part in the Pontypool Eisteddfod. Good luck to the pupils who are will be competing in the Urdd competition next week.

Mrs S E Roche & all the staff at Garnteg