

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

This half term our value is: Peace

Thought for the week -

“It’s nice to be important but it’s more important to be NICE”

Cylchlythyr - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Heddwch

Important Dates for your diary

**Inset Day - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

**Half-term - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**Last day of Summer Term for Pupils - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**Inset days - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> July**

Dear Parents/Carers,  
Annwyl Rhieni/Sy'n ofalwyr

The sun has shone inside Garnteg this week, even though it has been awful weather outside! Pupils have completed excellent work across the school and all areas of the curriculum, we are so proud of you all. A reminder that there is an INSET day on

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May and all pupils finish on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May, ready for half term. Hopefully the weather will improve next week for us all.

### Hearing Screening

Hearing Screening will take place in school on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May for Reception pupils. Letters giving more information regarding the tests have been sent to parents via class dojo.

### Drop off times

In order for all children and staff to be in classes for start of the school day, please can we all ensure that children are dropped off in the mornings at allocated times. Times for Foundation Phase and KS2 pupils are: 8:45, 8:50, 9:00 and **last time is 9:05**.

### Nursery & Reception Intake Virtual Schedule

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery and Reception intake for September 2021. With the current restrictions due to COVID 19, we have scheduled a virtual intake programme to provide as much information as possible to support a smooth transition for your child.

Over the coming weeks we will be,

- Posting key information on our school website: <http://www.garntegprimary.co.uk>
- Posting key information on our twitter page @garntegprimary
- Posting key information on our weekly Newsletter
- Emailing key information
- Sending Text reminders

If you have received an Early Years Questionnaire please return it by email to [garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk) by **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021**.

**If your child will be joining us in September we look forward to meeting you on:**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 at 1:00pm** Reception Intake Meeting on Microsoft Teams for parents and teachers to meet children in groups

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 1:00pm** Nursery Intake Meeting on Microsoft Teams for parents and teachers to meet children in groups

**Nursery Intake Information**

Friday 21st May - please check your emails for our Early Years Questionnaire to be returned to [garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk) by Monday 7th June.

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*you are capable of AMAZING things*

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### Covid Safety Rules at the School Gates

Please continue to maintain a clear social distance at the school gates and remember **to wear a mask** when dropping off or collecting children. Along with regular hand washing/sanitising and social distancing, this will reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 at school as far as possible.

### Important - Covid 19 Testing

If your child is tested for Covid 19, please can parents/carers provide proof of the negative result **BEFORE** your child returns to school. Please email the result to [garnteg.school.office@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:garnteg.school.office@torfaen.gov.uk).

## COVID-19 TESTING FOR A WIDER RANGE OF SYMPTOMS

People in Gwent should arrange a free COVID-19 PCR test by **calling 119 or 0300 3031 222** if they experience any of the following:



Change in taste or smell



High Temperature



Excessive tiredness



Shortness of breath



Change of symptoms since your last test



New continuous cough



Flu like symptoms



Persistent headache



Aching muscles



GIG  
CYMRU  
NHS  
WALES

Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol  
Aneurin Bevan  
University Health Board



GIG  
NHS  
WALES

Gwent Test, Trace, Protect Service  
Coordination Unit  
Ffawel Gwent, Olrhain, Gwasanaeth Amdiffyn  
Lluned Cysylltu

### Pupil of the week in classes

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Pupil of the Week	Class	Pupil of the Week
Nursery - Miss Hudspeth	Olivia, Jake, Kenadee & Kainan	Class 7 - Mrs Lewis	Sybella
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Freya	Class 8 - Miss Paske	Lily
Class 2 - Mr Key	Mali-Kate	Class 9 - Mrs Rogers	Dylan
Class 3 - Miss Bones	Maximus	Class 10 - Mrs Messoro	Myah C
Class 4 - Miss Brooks	Ruby	Class 11 - Miss Grimas	Brooke Mar
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Arwen	Class 12 - Miss Williams	Liam
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Ellie	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Poppi and Daniel
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Lois

**Nursery** - This week Meithrin have been busy making props and masks for a special surprise... Wonder what it could be? Just a reminder that toys are not to be brought in from home and to please label all belongings with your child's full name. Diolch yn fawr for your pictures and videos of home learning. We love to celebrate learner's achievements and see what fun activities you get up to at home. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Another amazing week in Dosbarth 1 & 2! We have explored 2D and 3D shapes around the classroom as well as retelling our favourite traditional tales. A reminder that children need to bring one item

of healthy snack with them each day. Please can all uniform be labelled with children's names. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 3 & 4** - Yet another brilliant week in Dosbarth 3 & 4! We have made our own music this week using our bodies and musical instruments! We had lots of fun and made lots of noise! Just a reminder that on Wednesday afternoons team sessions are available for both classes and a learning log is on HWB. Next Friday is an inset day. Have a lovely weekend 😊

**Dosbarth 5 & 6** - Another fantastic week in Dosbarth 5 & 6! We are so proud of all of your hard work and are looking forward to continuing our learning all about China next week! Just a reminder, PE will now take place on Wednesday's so children can wear their PE kit to school on this day. We are so excited to see what the rest of the term will bring! Keep an eye on ClassDojo and Twitter for any other updates. Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Monday 😊

**Dosbarth 7 & 8** - Arrrderchog Blwydden Tri for a WOWtastic week of learning. We are all climbing to sparkle when completing our tasks in our lessons and in our independent learning zones. A reminder that children must bring in healthy snack for break time and water or squash to drink. Also, please can children be reminded to not bring in items from home. If your child would like to show or tell us something in class, please could you send a photograph on Class Dojo. We will then share it with the class. Have a safe and fun weekend. Diolch from Year 3 staff. 😊

**Dosbarth 9 & 10** - A super week of learning in Dosbarth 9 and 10. You are working really hard on our Climb to Sparkle challenges in our classroom. A polite reminder that the children are not to bring in items from home due to the current restrictions. If they would like to share any news or exciting new toys they have had you can send a phot on class dojo and we can share it with the whole class. We hope you have a lovely weekend and stay safe!

**Dosbarth 11 & 12** -

Another fantastic week of learning in Dosbarth 11&12! The children have really enjoyed exploring Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, creating art inspired by Romero Britto and researching local history about 'The Blenheim Bomber.' Brilliant work as always! Have a wonderful and safe weekend.

**Dosbarth 13 & 14** - A great week of learning in Dosbarth 13 & 14! All of the children have enjoyed taking part in beginning their study of Shakespeare and exploring his different texts. We have also made a fantastic start on our new project in history 'The Blenheim Bomber'. The work produced has been outstanding and we are really looking forward to continuing our work on this next week. Have a fantastic weekend and we look forward to seeing you again Monday.

**Kind regards,**

Mrs S E Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School