

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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International  
Women's day



Newsletter - 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023  
Cylchlythyr - 10<sup>th</sup> Mawrth 2023

Value for this term is Peace

Gwerth y tymor hwn: Heddwch



Important Dates for your diary

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	NOTES
M A R C H  2 0 2 3			1	2	3	4	5	
	6	7	8	Coffee and Chat session All welcome 	10	11	12	Special person gift Shop. Items priced from £1. Starts Monday 13th March
	13 Mothers day shop Week	14	15	16	<b>RED NOSE DAY</b>	18	19  Mothers Day	For Red nose day we are asking children to wear RED and donate £1
	20	21 Pontypool Eisteddfod (FP) 	22 Pontypool Eisteddfod (KS2) Class 1 Miss Brown Performance 	23	24 Class 7 Mrs Rogers Class Performance 	25	26	We are asking for donations for our Easter raffle. If you can donate please can they be brought to school by 30.03.23
	27 Class 6 Miss Williams Class Performance  FP EASTER EGG HUNT 	28 KS2 EASTER EGG HUNT 	29 Class 2 Miss Brooks Class Performance 	30 Class 1 Mr Tully Class Performance 	31 Easter Raffle and Easter head gear parade <b>HAPPY EASTER</b> 			
								

### Remaining INSET DAYS

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

### Easter Events

Easter Chocolate Appeal

To spread some Easter joy, Garnteg Primary are looking for Easter Chocolate donations for our school raffle.

Please can any donations of Easter chocolate be delivered to school by **Thursday 30th March**.

Many thanks from all the staff and children of Garnteg Primary

You're invited to Garnteg's  
**Easter Egg Hunt**



Foundation Phase  
Monday 27th March 2023

KS2  
Tuesday 28th March 2023

Easter head wear Parade and raffle  
Friday 31st March 2023

**Easter Concerts will be held in school - parents to be invited**

**Year 1 - class 3 - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 1.30 in school hall**

**Year 3 - class 7 - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 in school hall**

**Year 3 - class 6 - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 in school hall**

Reception - class 2 - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 in school hall

Reception - class 1 - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 in school hall

### Parent consultations

Parent consultations will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April in school. Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April will be for parents/carers who wish to have their consultation via teams or telephone call. These consultations are important for you to see and discuss your child's development throughout the school year and any questions you may have.

### Transition events with Abersychan School - further details to follow

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Year 4 Football & Netball Festival at Abersychan

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April - Rugby session with WRU for Year 5

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Taster Day at Abersychan for Year 4

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Mini Olympics at Abersychan for Year 5

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> or Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 Taster days at Abersychan (dates to be confirmed)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Moving Up day followed by Parents Evening at Abersychan

Dear Parents/Carers,  
Annwyl Rhieni a gofalwyr

### Potential Strike Action in Schools

The National Education Union has notified schools of their intended industrial action, further dates are scheduled for:

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

At present the only class that will be closed is Year 2 class 4, all other classes will remain open. We thank you for your understanding during this time. If there are any changes regarding this, we will of course let you know.

### Pupil Absence

All messages or emails regarding pupil absence must be made through the office telephone line, answerphone or email address [garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk) and not sent through class dojo. The message should give details of the absence/illness. The Education Welfare Service have asked us to contact all parents/carers for details of illness if the reason given is feeling unwell/ill/poorly.

### Registration

Doors are open for Registration at 8.40am and registration takes place in classes at 9.00am, please ensure your child is in class by 9.00am. Both gates are closed at 9.00am. Pupils will be recorded as late if they arrive after 9.10am. Pupils who arrive after 9.30am will be marked as an unauthorised absence and could be referred to the Education Welfare Officer. A recurrence of late marks throughout any week will also be referred to the Education Welfare Officer.

### The Happen Survey

Pupils in years 4,5 and 6 will be asked to complete a short survey on their health and wellbeing as part of the primary school network, this survey is called the Happen Survey and it will enable us to establish if we need to make any changes to the school day to support health and wellbeing. Could parents of pupils in these year groups please follow the link below to see information about the survey:

<https://happen-wales.co.uk/information-sheet>

If you DO NOT want your child to take part in the survey please complete the form that is attached to the link

### Toileting Workshop for Nursery

We are offering 2 toileting workshops for parents. There will be 2 sessions and you will be invited via class Dojo. The sessions will be Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 11:40am for morning session parents and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 3:10pm for afternoon session parents. Please can you confirm if you are attending as soon as possible. Pupils will be looked after by members of staff for parents/carers to attend. There will be support packs available to those that attend.

### Comic Relief

# FRIDAY

## 17TH MARCH 2023



We are going to celebrate Comic Relief Day, on Friday 17th March by wearing **RED**. There will be buckets at the gates for £1 donations.

### World Down Syndrome Day

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March we will celebrate World Down Syndrome Day to raise awareness and to celebrate people everywhere with an extra 21<sup>st</sup> chromosome. We invite children to wear brightly coloured odd socks as pairs of chromosomes look a bit like a pair of socks!

### Mother's Day/Special Person's Shop



Message from School Council & Ambassadors:

We are organising the shop for children to buy gifts. This will start on Monday 13th March 2023 and prices will range from £1.00- £5.00. We hope you are able to support us.

### Eisteddfod 2023

Llongyfarchiadu mawr i ein henillwyr ni! Rydyn ni'n falch iawn. Gwelon ni llawer o waith ardderchog eleni. Canodd pawb bendigedig a mwynheon ni pob rhan. A big congratulations to our winners! We are very proud of you all. We saw lots of excellent work and entries this year. Everyone sang brilliantly and we enjoyed every bit!

**Attendance Winners - 27<sup>th</sup> February - 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

Congratulations to Dosbarth 5 Mr Key who were Foundation Phase attendance winners for last week with 99.3% and to Dosbarth 9 Mr Phillips who were Key Stage 2 winners for last week with 96%. **WELL DONE!**



**Attendance Figures 6<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Overall attendance for this week is 88.61%.**

We still all need to strive to reach our target of 95%!

This week's attendance figures are:

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	80.9	0	80.9	3	87.8	6	89.3
Reception	85.8	1	82.1			7	86.4
		2	89.4	4	88.6	8	84.1
1	87.2	3	87.8			9	93.3
2	91.5	4	93.3	5	92.7	10	94.2
		5	89.5			11	91.1
				6	85.9	12	81.5
						13	90

## Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM: Evlyn PM: Frankie	Class 7 - Mrs Rogers	Tyreece
Class 1 - Mr Tully	Nilah-Rae	Class 8 - Miss Jones	Arwen, Olivia, Sonny, Oscar, Harriet, Ebony and Evie
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Nancy	Class 9 - Mr Phillips	Tayah and Amelia
Class 3 - Miss Brown	Grace	Class 10 - Mrs Lewis	Izzie
Class 4 - Mrs Lee	Emma	Class 11 - Mrs Messori	Lilli-Mae
Class 5 - Mr Key	William S	Class 12 - Miss Bones	Savannah
Class 6 - Miss Williams	Jacob	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Jessica

**Nursery** - Ardderchog Meithrin! We started the week super busy in nursery counting the animals which escaped our toy box. You are fantastic! It was lovely for you to join us for our home learning calls and activities. It was amazing to see the fun that you had playing in the snow and the very big snowmen that you created. We loved seeing you take part in the science experiment to see how we can melt snow. Gwaith da blant! Thank you for your support. Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Bendigedig dosbarth un and dau what a delightful week we have shared. This week our fantastic learning happened both in school as well as online. Well done to those of you who joined us during our blended learning sessions it was so great to see your creations, ideas and investigations. Please remember learning at home can always be supported by accessing Bug Club and reading with your children to help them shine. You also have access to our Topic learning journals. We look forward to welcoming you into school at the end of the month. Have a safe and happy weekend. Gwaith da!

**Dosbarth 3** - Bendigedig dosbarth tri! What a snowtastic week we have had. You have wowed us with your learning both in class and online. It was so lovely to see those of you that joined us with our online learning. Please can we ask that you continue to read with your children and return their books weekly. You can also still access bug club and my maths for additional learning materials. Our class assembly will be taking place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 1:30pm. We look forward to welcoming you into school! Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 4 & 5** - Diolch pawb for a wonderful week, including super online learning on our snowy days! Thank you for engaging with our online learning and your support with this. We have had a wonderful week, learning about the properties of 2D shapes, adjectives, describing characters and lots of lovely online work about climate change! We loved your energy saving ideas! Please keep using your bug club and MyMaths logins and please let us know if you need any login detail or help accessing this. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 6 & 7** - Arddechog pawb for a super week of learning. You impressed us with your work during our blended learning sessions. We would like to thank your support with helping children with their activities. Just a reminder to encourage the children to access bug club and My Maths. The children are also looking forward to our concerts on the 24<sup>th</sup> March for Dosbarth 7 and 27<sup>th</sup> March for Dosbarth 6.

**Dosbarth 8 & 9** - A big diolch to those of you who joined us for online learning this week, we've been blown away with the work you have completed at home and all the creative ways in which you've presented your work. You've all had a fantastic week of learning and we're so proud of you. Just a reminder that My Maths tasks and Bug Club are online for you to work on at home - have a lovely weekend and stay safe. We look forward to seeing you again on Monday!

**Dosbarth 10 & 11** - A big diolch for your enthusiasm towards your learning over the past week. You are all fully engaged with our topic. Thanks again to children who joined us online to take part in blended learning online. Just a reminder that My Maths tasks have been set and a reminder to use Bug Club, this is an amazing learning resource to help your child become more confident with their reading. Have a lovely weekend. Diolch 😊

**Dosbarth 12 & 13** - Bendigedig Blwyddyn 6 for another fantastic week of learning. A big thank you to the children who attended Garndiffaith Millennium Hall to sing for the Lunch Club. It has also been so lovely to see so many of you joining our online learning and completing lots of fantastic tasks. Just a reminder that My Maths tasks have been set and don't forget to log on to Bug Club. Thanks for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend!

**Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School**