

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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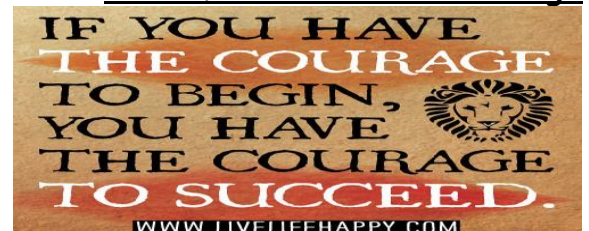
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Newsletter - 09<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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Value for this term is Courage



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### Important Dates for your diary

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 Trip to Big Pit

#### **Sports Days**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day (Nursery & Reception)

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June - Sports Day Yr 1,2, and 3 Classes 3,4,5,6,7

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day Yrs 4,5 and 6 Classes 8,9,10,11,12,13

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Year 4 Trip to Cardiff Castle

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Class Photographs will be taken

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Y4 (SC) Class Performance

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 - Y4 (AP) Class Performance

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Nursery concert 9:30am & 1:30pm

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July & Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 leavers 1:30pm

### Remaining INSET DAYS

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

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	NOTES
<b>JUNE</b> <b>2023</b>				1	2	Half Term ends 3	4	
	5	6	Year 4 Taster day at Abersychan	Year 6 residential	9	10	11	Half Term 29.05.23 to 02.06.23 Return to school 05.06.23
	12	13	Progression step 1 Sports Day Class 9 Cardiff Castle	F1 St Fagans	16	17	18	Wellbeing Camp 30/05/23 - 1/6/23
	Year 5 Big Pit	Class Photos	Progression step 2 Sports Day	Miss Channing year 4 concert	Mr Phillips year 4 concert	24	25	Sponsored Read event - Whole School 20.06.23
	Year 6 transition day at Abersychan		Progression step 3 Sports Day	Nursery concert 9:30 Nursery concert 1:30	Year 5 Blenheim Bomber Walk			

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

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

### New Beginnings Staff News Year 5 Class 10

Mrs Lewis will be starting her maternity leave on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Ngwenya & Mrs Davies will be covering this leave until the end of term. We wish her all the very best.

### Nursery & Reception Intake September 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery and Reception intake for September 2023. We have scheduled an intake programme to provide as much information as possible to support a smooth transition for your child - please check your emails and the school website for updates over the coming weeks.

If your child has been allocated a place at Garnteg Nursery you will receive an email with key information on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of June** - please check your emails and the school website for updates over the coming weeks.

We look forward to meeting parents and carers at our information sharing event on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June** at the following times. Teams from Torfaen Catering, School Health, Sparkle and Pretty Miss will also be available at this event and teas and coffees will be provided.

9:30am for **Nursery** intake parents / carers

1:30pm for **Reception** intake parents / carers

Your child will be invited into their Nursery / Reception class for our School Move Up Day on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of July 2023**.

### Fathers / Special Person Shop.

We will be selling gifts from the classes next week, for your child to purchase for that special person / Dad in their life.

Items start from £1.50 up to £4. Please see prices and list below.



**SPECIAL PERSON SHOP**

- DUCKS £1.50
- DADS TAXI £1.50
- PHOTO FRAME £3
- TOBLERONE £1.50
- PYO CANVAS £1.50
- TEDDY BEAR £1.50
- AERO £1.50
- DAIRY MILK £1.50
- BADGE £1.50
- TRAVEL MUG £4

### Sports Day 2023

We are looking forward to seeing Parents / Carers for our Sports Day events this year. There will be a BBQ and stalls to support fundraising for our school. Please bring your own rugs / chairs for comfortable watching. NB All dates are weather permitting.



# Sports Day

**Progression Step One**  
Classes - Nursery, Class 1 & Class 2  
June 14th 2023 - 9.30am or 1.30pm

**Progression Step 2**  
Classes - 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7,  
June 21st 2023 - 1.20pm

**Progression Step 3**  
Classes - 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13  
June 28th 2023 - 1.20pm

**Please note sports day is weather permitted.  
Stalls and a BBQ will be available on the day.**



### Sponsored Read

We hope that you have managed to get as many friends / family to sponsor you as you can, and your reading challenge is underway. Please be reminded that our Sponsored Reading Event will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of June to celebrate our love for reading 😊. Can all sponsor money be returned to school by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Thank you!



The Garnteg sponsored read event will take place between the dates of Monday 22nd May and Friday 16th June.

Track your success however you choose.  
Ask friends and family to sponsor your challenge and return all sponsor money and forms to school by 16th June. All proceeds will go towards buying books and reading materials for our school.

Please remember to only ask people you know for sponsors.

There will be a celebration of our love for reading in classes on the 20th of June.



### Torfaen Play Summer Wellbeing Camp

We are excited to share that Torfaen Play will be running Food and Fun Camp at Garnteg Primary School from Monday 31st July - Thursday 24th August 2023. The Food and Fun Camp involves Nutritional Education, play, sport and activities through

various mechanisms whilst supporting and promoting children's wellbeing. It has been a great success over the last few years with more and more demand each year. If you haven't done so already, please follow the link to complete the registration form. Please get in touch with School if you need any further assistance.

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**FOOD & FUN CAMPS**

Monday 31st July - Thursday 24th August

**FUN ACTIVITIES BASED ON HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES**  
Having fun through sport, music, drama, cooking, arts & crafts and much more!

**FREE OF CHARGE**

- For ages 5 to 11 years.
- A wide range of activities linked to play, wellbeing and physical activity all Summer.
- Breakfast and lunch provided daily and free of charge. (there is no option to provide a packed lunch)
- Places limited - advance application only.
- FREE Family breakfast every Friday morning

**Garnteg Primary School,**  
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pontypool, NP4 7SJ  
**9:30am-3:00pm**

support places may be limited due to large number of pre-registered requests for support

For further information please email:  
**torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk**

Logos: Torfaen County Borough, Torfaen and Sport Wales, CHW/ARE TORFAEN AND SPORT WALES, TORFAEN PLAY, FOOD AND FUN, BEND A HWYL, Ymunoedd yn Gyntaf Families First, Caring & Learning Community Centre, C.C.C., and other local authority logos.

### Caring Canines

Caring Canines who visit our school weekly with their wellbeing dogs are holding the following competition if pupils would like to enter.



**Caring  
Canines**



Well-being dog sessions in Schools / Care Homes /  
Assisted Living Centres / the Workplace /  
bespoke 1 to 1 sessions  
find us on FB and Twitter (Caring Canines Cymru)

Contact Juliet Roberts on 07943818355 / [Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com](mailto:Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com)

# Story Competition

Write a short story about a dog(s) and WIN a free Caring Canines Session with one of our gorgeous pooches.

There will be 3 age categories: 7 years and under / 8 to 11 years / 12 years to 16

Entries should be mailed to [Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com](mailto:Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com) OR taken to your school who will contact the Team and we will collect them.

Closing date will be Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The winning story will be shared on FB



## Active travel

Public Health Wales will be shortly rolling out the national Travel to School Hands Up Survey/ Teithio i'r Ysgol Arolwyg Dwylo Fyny to all maintained primary schools in Wales. This validated survey will measure children's self-reported mode of travel to school and will provide a clear picture and understanding of active school travel levels (e.g., walking, cycling, scooting) in Wales. The survey this year's survey week will be 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> of June.

PHW are on a mission to make active travel like walking, cycling & scooting the natural, normal choice for school journeys & that's why it has put together the 'Travel to School Hands Up Survey'.

Find out more by visiting <https://phw.nhs.wales/travel-to-school-hands-up-survey>

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Mae @PHW ar genhadaeth i wneud teithio llesol fel cerdded, beicio a sgwtera yn ddewis naturiol, arferol ar gyfer teithiau ysgol a dyna pam ei fod wedi llunio 'Arolwg Dwylo i Fyny Teithio i'r Ysgol.' Darganfyddwch fwy trwy ymweld â [bit.ly/37iU2xm](https://bit.ly/37iU2xm)

**Attendance Winners - 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

Congratulations to Dosbarth 5 who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 93.1% and Dosbarth 11 Mrs Messore who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners for last week with 96.7%

WELL DONE!

DA JAWN!



This week's attendance figures are

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	80	0	80	3	96.4	6	96.4
Reception	93.4	1	91.4			7	96.3
		2	98.2	4	87.3	8	89.1
1	92.7	3	89.7			9	86.4
		2	93.8	4	92	5	94.3
5	95.7			11	91		
6	84.9					12	88.2
				13	82		

Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM - Eva-Lily PM - Ollie S.	Class 7 - Mrs Rogers	Harvey
Class 1 - Mr Tully	Nilah Rae	Class 8 - Miss Channing	Cherneil
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Milly	Class 9 - Mr Phillips	Ellie
Class 3 - Miss Brown	Rosie	Class 10 - Mrs Lewis	Seren
Class 4 - Mrs Lee	Macey	Class 11 - Mrs Messore	Kaci
Class 5 - Mr Key	Grace H	Class 12 - Miss Bones	Whole class
Class 6 - Miss Williams	Jack	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Riley

**Nursery** – Da Iawn for a fantastic first week back Meithrin! We have been practising our Sports Day races and are very excited for next week! 😊 We can wait to see parents/carers on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>. Please can you send your child in wearing suncream and their coloured house top. Can they also bring in a drink and hat. Diolch! We look forward to seeing you next week! 😊

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** – Bendigedig for an extremely hard working first week back in school. Dosbarth Un have been beginning to write their animal stories and learn some fascinating facts together as a class. Both classes have been practising for Sports Day on June 14 and creating some wonderful surprises to help fundraise in our Sports Day shop. **Important information for the day** – Class 1 (Mr Tully) will be competing in the morning session 9.30 and Class 2 (Miss Brooks) will be competing in the afternoon session 1.30. We can't wait to see you all there. Please dress children in house colours and ensure they have a drink and suncream for the hot weather.

**Dosbarth 3** – Blwyddyn Un have had a fantastic first week back and have settle back in well. This week they have been testing their understanding of groups of, exploring features of diaries and creating fact files on wildlife that we can help in our local area. Just a friendly reminder that sports day is taking place on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:20pm for Dosbarth 3. We please ask that on our PE day's the children wear sensible footwear of trainers as we are practising for the event. Just a few reminders due to the hot weather please ensure that they wear suncream and bring in plenty of drink as well as a sun hat. Have a lovely weekend! Millie

**Dosbarth 4 & 5** – What a lovely week we've had in year 2 learning about descriptive writing! We have been using adjectives and similes to describe characters and settings ready to write our own descriptive pieces. Next week PE will be on Monday for Mrs. Lee's and Mr. Key's classes to practise for sports day. Please could all children bring their PE kits into school to change into as some children are still wearing kit into school. Many thanks and have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 6 & 7** – Da iawn pawb for an amazing first week back after the half term holidays-you have worked really hard an we are all proud of you. Just a few reminders due to the hot weather please ensure that they wear suncream and bring in plenty of drink as well as a sun hat. On sports day the children are invited to wear something of the colour house that they are in and trainers. Have a fabulous weekend.

**Dosbarth 8 & 9** – Da iawn pawb for a productive week. We have been busy being writers, makers and innovators working towards our class performances, our Formula One project and planning our trip to Cardiff castle. We are excited for our trip to Cardiff Castle on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June and we are looking forward to seeing parents / carers for our class performances on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Y4 Dosbarth 8 (SC) Class Performance and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 - Y4 Dosbarth 9 (AP) Class Performance. Please bring some spending money as we are busy making some things to sell. Many thanks for your continued support.

**Dosbarth 10 & 11** – Da iawn for a busy, but great week back after half term. Just a few reminders, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June we are going to Big Pit, the bus is leaving at 9:15am, pupils must be in school on time and wear school uniform and trainers. It will be warm so please can bring wear suncream, a hat and bring plenty to drink. Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

**Dosbarth 12 & 13** – A huge ardderchog to all year 6 pupils for an extremely successful week. During both trips to London and St. Fagans you demonstrated excellent behaviour, listening skills and were fantastic role



models for the school! Catch up on your sleep this weekend ready for another busy week as we prepare for the PS3 sports day and more. Enjoy the sunshine 😊

<b>Class</b>	<b>Target by end of year</b>	<b>Current percentage to date</b>
<b>3</b>	93.2%	92.4%
<b>4</b>	92%	90.3%
<b>5</b>	93%	91.8%
<b>6</b>	92%	90.8%
<b>7</b>	95%	93.5%
<b>8</b>	93%	90.9%
<b>9</b>	93%	91.4%
<b>10</b>	95%	93.5%
<b>11</b>	95%	93.5%
<b>12</b>	90%	88%
<b>13</b>	94%	91.5%

Kind regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School