

GARNTTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Cylchlythyr - 13<sup>th</sup> Hydref 2023

Value for this half term is Respect



Gwerth yr hanner tymor hwn yw Parch

### INSET DAYS

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

### Important Dates

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - 10.00am Class 6 Harvest Concert

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - 1.30pm Class 7 Harvest Concert

## Parent Consultations - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October

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**Parent Consultations**  
 These will be in our main hall during consultations on the 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Hot drinks will be served. Please pop in!

USBORNE

GARNSYCHAN PARTNERSHIP

Plus food tasting

Teuluoedd yn Gyntaf Families First

Gwasanaethau Gwybodaeth i Deuluoedd Family Information Services

## Spooky Disco - Spooky Disco - 26<sup>th</sup> October

JOIN US IF YOU DARE FOR  
**Garnteg Spooky Disco**  
 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
 During School

SPOOKY TREATS AND DRINKS will be available to purchase  
 COSTUMES ENCOURAGED  
 GAMES ARRANGED BY SCHOOL AMBASSADORS AND COUNCIL

## October Diary

**2023 OCTOBER**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Pupil Photos	14
15	16	17	18 Pontypool Library to see Nursery and Reception	19	20	21
22	23	24 Parent consultations in school	25 Parent consultations online / call	26 Spooky Disco	27	28
29 British summer time ends	30 Half Term Wellbeing camp	31 Halloween Wellbeing camp				

**NOTES**

HALF TERM STARTS  
30.10.23 TO 03.11.23

RETURN TO SCHOOL  
06.11.23

SCHOOL LUNCH COUNT ME IN - ALL MONTH

24.10 - USBORNE BOOKS, GARNSYCHAN, FAMILIES FIRST & FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICES (IN HALL)

30/10 - 2/11  
TORFAEN PLAY WELLBEING CAMP AT GARNTG 10AM-3PM

### **Harvest Festival & donations**

We are having our school harvest festival on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October with Pastor Funnell. We would be grateful for any food donations to be brought into school next week, all items will be donated to the food bank at Noddfa. Whatever you can donate will make a difference to the families and will support Noddfa Church and their wonderful causes.

### **Harvest Assembly**

Class 6 and 7 have prepared harvest performance for parents/carers to attend in school. Class 6's performance will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 10:00am and Class 7's performance will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 1:30pm. The children have made items that will be on sale after the performance.

### **Registration**

May we please remind parents/carers that morning registration is 9.00am, staff are at the gates between 8.40 and 9.00am to receive children, in order that we can start registration promptly.

### **Lateness**

Registration starts at 9.00am and closes at 9.10am, any pupil arriving after 9.10am will be marked late and if they arrive after 9.30am will be marked unauthorised, this could lead to intervention from the Education Welfare Officer

### **October Half-Term Play and Wellbeing Camp**

After a brilliant and successful summer of play provision at Garnteg, we are looking forward to October Half Term Play and Wellbeing Camps for children and young people.

The camps will run from Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 from 10am until 3pm. Children are required to bring a packed lunch. Please apply for your child to attend using the link below, places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

**Torfaen Play & Short Breaks Service**  
Providing a variety of fun and interactive sessions in the heart of the community

# Halfterm Play & Wellbeing Camps

**October 2023**

**FREE OF CHARGE**

**FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 11 YEARS**  
**10:00AM TO 3:00PM**  
**Tuesday 31st October to Thursday 2nd November**

**Blaenavon Heritage VC Primary School**  
Middle Godee Cae Road, Blaenavon, NP4 9BW

**Blenheim Road Community Primary School**  
Blenheim Road, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 4SZ

**Garnteg Primary School**  
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pont-y-pwll, NP4 7SJ

**George Street Primary School**  
Wainfein Road, Pontypool, NP4 6BX

**Llantarnam Primary School**  
Llantarnam Road, Llantarnam, Cwmbran, NP44 3XB

**Nant Celyn Primary School**  
Henllys Way, Cwmbran, NP44 7DJ

**A refillable drink and packed lunch is required**

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE**  
To complete an expression of interest form please contact: [torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk). Please note application for your child must be completed prior to attending.

**For more information contact:**  
[torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk)

**SPECIALIST PLAY & RESPITE SESSIONS**  
(Specialist provision for children and young people with complex needs. These sessions are through referral process.)

**Glenside Community Hall**  
Glenside, Cwmbran, NP44 1BN

**Greenmeadow & St Dials Community Hall**  
(The Cockerel), Off Pandy, Greenmeadow, Cwmbran, NP44 4LA

**Victory Church**  
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

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**Chwarae Torfaen a Gwasanaethau Seibiannau Byr**  
Darparu amrywiaeth o seisiynau hwyf a hysgwethol wrth graidd y gymuned

# Gwersylloedd Chwarae Alles Hanner Tymor

**Hydref 2023**

**I BLANT 5-11 OED**  
**10:00YB TO 3:00YP**  
**Dydd Mawrth 31 Hydref i Dydd Lau 2 Tachwedd**

**RHAD AC AM DDM**

**Rhaid darparu cynhwysydd diod y gellir ei ail-lenwi a chinio pecyn**

**Ysgol Gynradd Dreftadaeth Wirfoddol a Reoli Blaenafon**  
Heol Goed Cae Ganol, Blaenafon, NP4 9AW

**Ysgol Gynradd Gymunedol Blenheim Road**  
Ffordd Blenheim, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 4SZ

**Ysgol Gynradd Garnteg**  
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pont-y-pwll, NP4 7SJ

**Ysgol Gynradd George Street**  
Ffordd Wainfein, Pont-y-pwll, NP4 6BX

**Ysgol Gynradd Llantarnam**  
Ffordd Llantarnam, Llantarnam, Cwmbran, NP44 3XB

**Ysgol Gynradd Nant Celyn**  
Ffordd Henllys, Cwmbran, NP44 7DJ

**NIFER CYPYNGEDIG O LEOEDD SYDD AR GAEL**  
I gael hysgwethol fwy o ddiwrnodau cerbydwrth i [torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk). Nodwch fod rhaid cwblhau'r cais ar gyfer eich plentyn cyn mynychu.

**I gael rhagor o wybodaeth, ebstiwrch:**  
[torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk)

**SEISIYNAU SEIBIANT/SEIBIANNAU BYR ARBENIGOL**  
(Darparu seisiynau arbennig i blant a phobl ifanc sydd â ghanghenion cymhleth. Coswig y seisiynau hwyf a broses eisgyfario yn unig.)

**Neuadd Gymunedol Glenside**  
Glenside, Cwmbran, NP44 1BN

**Neuadd Gymunedol Greenmeadow & St Dials**  
(Y Cockerel), oddi ar Pandy, Greenmeadow, Cwmbran, NP44 4LA

**Eglwys Victory**  
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

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Huge Congratulations to our Kitchen who have just received a 5\* top food hygiene rating following an inspection.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open from 8:20am until 8:50 am.

## School Lottery



Our school has joined a lottery and we're seeking your support. You have a chance to win amazing prizes for just £1 per ticket. Visit <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garnteg-primary-school> for more information.

## Christmas Cluster Choir

Year 6 have been working with DJ Susie producing songs for a special radio show involving our cluster. Please see the poster below to listen live, the show will also be repeated over Christmas!



## October is 'School Food - Count Me In' month Starts Monday 2 October - Friday 27 October



That's the second week down! Well done to all pupils who swapped sandwiches for school dinners! We hope you enjoyed this week's menu.

**Next week's menu is:**

<b>Week 2</b>	<p>Cod Fish Fingers or Breaded Vegetable Nuggets (V) Served with Mashed Potato, Beans or Seasonal Vegetables</p> <p>Chocolate Orange Beet Cake and Custard</p>	<p>Strips of Chicken Breast or Quorn Strips (V) Served with Sweet and Sour Vegetable Noodles, Tortilla Wrap and Salad</p> <p>Strawberry Whirl with Fruit</p>	<p>Pork Sausages or * Glamorgan Style Sausage (V) Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast &amp; Boiled Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables &amp; Gravy (V)</p> <p>Fruit Flapjack and Milk Drink</p>	<p>Homemade Beef Spaghetti Bolognese or Veggie Bolognese (V) Served with Seasonal Vegetables or Salad and Garlic Bread</p> <p>Jam and Coconut Sponge and Custard</p>	<p>Beefburger in a Bun or Quorn Burger (V) in a Bun Served with Chips and Seasonal Vegetables</p> <p>Ice Cream Roll with Fruit</p>
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**School Book Fair- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023**



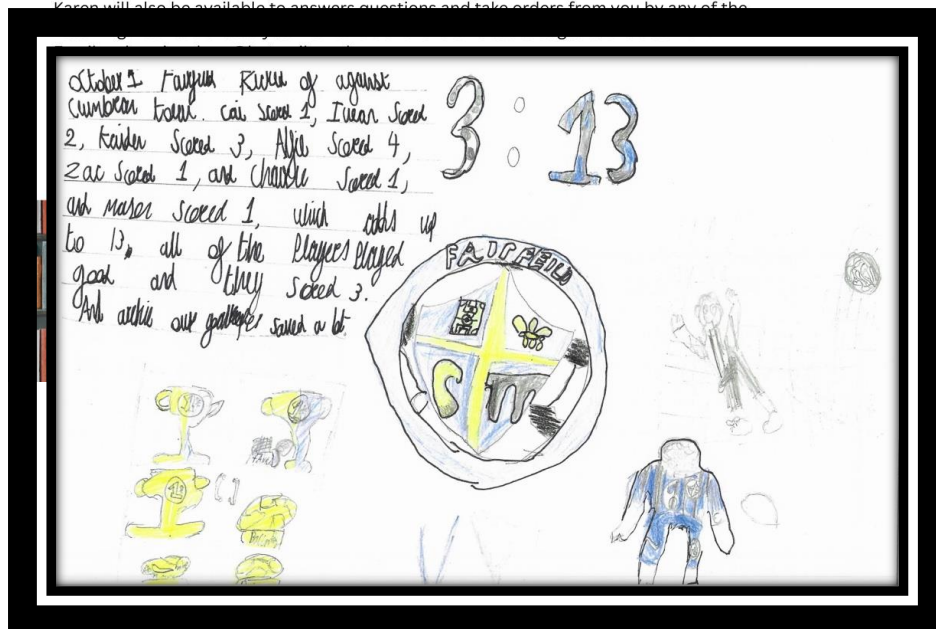
Dear Parents

The school have arranged for Usborne Books Partner, Karen Simmonds, to arrange a book fair. The book fair will take place on Tuesday 24th October 2023 from 3.15 pm. Karen will, have a display of books set up. Books can be brought on the day and any orders taken (payment is required with order cash card or bank transfer accepted) and the books will be delivered back to the school.

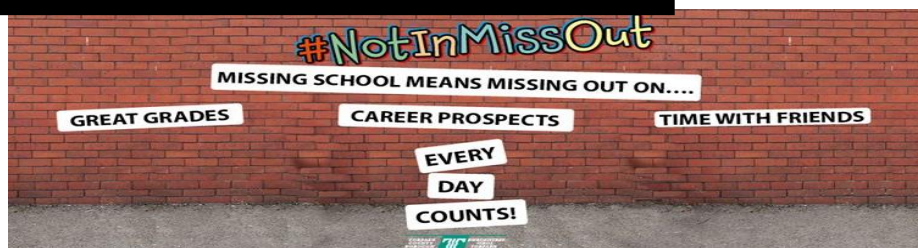
There is also a link below to the full range of over 3000 books with the digital catalogue. [https://issuu.com/usbornepublishing/docs/issu\\_usborne\\_2023\\_catalogue](https://issuu.com/usbornepublishing/docs/issu_usborne_2023_catalogue).

Karen will also be available to answer questions and take orders from you by any of the

**Pupil Zone**



**Next report about Fairfield United. Well done on a 13-3 win! We can see how proud they are of their huge win! We are looking forward to hearing how the team gets on this season!**



## Attendance Winners 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Congratulations to Dosbarth 5 Mr Key who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 97.5% and Dosbarth 7 Mrs Rogers who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners with 94.5%

WELL DONE!

DA IAWN!



### This week's attendance figures are

Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	79.8	0		3	90	6	91
Reception	84.9	1	97.2			7	89
		2	72.1	4	93.3	8	96.4
Year 1	94.2	3	92.5			9	90
Year1/2		4	98.9	5	91.9	10	91.3
Year 2	96.6	5	95.4			11	92.4
				6	92.1	12	90
						13	94.4

### Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM - Kiera PM- Billie	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Mia
Dosbarth 1 - Mr Tully	Frankie	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Channing	Isaac
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Gracie	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Lowri
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Brown	Lexi	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Tyler-Luke
Dosbarth 4 - Miss Brooks	Dominic	Dosbarth 11 - Mrs Messore	Summer
Dosbarth 5 - Mr Key	Chloe-May	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Sophie
Dosbarth 6 - Miss Williams	Gracie-May	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Ollie R

**Nursery** - What another lovely week we have had Meithrin! This week we have been learning about shapes and you have all been amazing at recognising shapes. We went on shape hunts inside and outside of the classroom and found as many shapes as we could. When playing outside we made shapes using natural resources we found. Meithrin have also been very busy in the kitchen making our shape biscuits for the bake sale, we can't wait to try them. Da Iawn Pawb! Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Gwaith da! Both classes for another wonderful week of learning in Reception. This week the children have put their expressive arts skills to the test when acting out their story retells. We have uplevelled our work with both Music and Drama. We are collating parents evening requests and will inform you of your allotted times on Monday. Please keep up reading and learning at home we are so pleased to see the impact in and out of school. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 3** - Bendegedig Dosbarth Tri! You have had a fantastic week of learning this week, you began to make predictions about our new story and found out if you were right in languages, literacy and communication. In mathematics and numeracy, you developed your understanding of money and even applied it in the bake sale. We would like to thank you for your kind donations of extra cakes for the bake sale and for the money that we raised. Please keep up your hard work with your children's home learning tasks, reading and spellings. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 4 & 5** - Da iawn Year 2 for your wonderful work this week. You have been practising using coins to pay for items in our Autumn shop, finding the features of letter writing and exploring colour and tone in our art. Your Autumn cakes and biscuits looked amazing! Please can we continue to have reading books back each week so we can update them for the children, and there is still time to book a parent/carer consultation if you have not already. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 6 & 7** - Gwaith gret dosbarth 6 a 7 for a fantastic week of learning. You have worked really hard learning your lines for our class performances on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am for class 6 and 1:30pm for class 7. The children have been innovative thinking of things to create for the sale too. Thank you for supporting the children with the bake sale. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 8 & 9** - Da iawn, Dosbarth 8 and 9. Thank you for being such caring pupils raising money for our local community with our 'Bake Sale' tea party. We are starting to plan our class assembly, which will be the Remembrance Assembly, and the children have been working particularly hard with DJ Susie performing for the assembly. Thank you for the lovely work we are seeing in your Learning Logs. Keep bringing your completed tasks into school. Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 10 & 11** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 10 & 11 for another fabulous week. Thanks to your kindness and fantastic baking skills we have been able to raise money for our school and community! Arddechog! You have all worked incredibly hard exploring data this week and practising these skills through your topic work. You have also been fantastically creative when exploring pattern in expressive arts!. A reminder to let us know if you have a preference for parents evening, we will confirm allocated times on Monday. Diolch! Have a wonderful weekend.

**Dosbarth 12 & 13** - Wow blwyddyn Chwech, thanks to your incredible generosity (and baking skills) you raised a fabulous amount for our school and community in the bake sale! Da iawn ti! Please share your wonderful blogs with your families this weekend as you have all worked so hard to write them! A big well done to all of you!



<b>Class</b>	<b>Target by end of year</b>	<b>Current percentage to date</b>
<b>3</b>	95	89
<b>4</b>	94	95.1
<b>5</b>	94	90.8
<b>6</b>	93	93.2
<b>7</b>	95	89.3
<b>8</b>	95	94.5
<b>9</b>	95	92.6
<b>10</b>	93	90.3
<b>11</b>	93	92.3
<b>12</b>	95	91.7
<b>13</b>	95	94.9

Kind regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School