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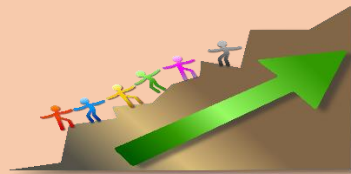
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Newsletter - 18th October 2024
Cylchlythyr - 18th Hydref 2024

Hydref

Value for this half term is



COOPERATION

Gwerth yr hanner tymor

Diary dates

INSET DAYS

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Important Dates

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October 2024 - Parents Consultations in school

Thursday 24th October 2024 - Spooky Disco - Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

Friday 25th October 2024 - Spooky Disco - Year 3- Year 6

Monday 4th November 2024 - Pupil Photos

Term Dates 2024/2025

Academic Year

Term	Term Begins	Half Term Begins	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Monday 02.09.24	Monday 28.10.24	Friday 01.11.24	Friday 20.12.24
Spring	Monday 06.01.25	Monday 24.02.25	Friday 28.02.25	Friday 11.04.25
Summer	Monday 28.04.25	Monday 26.05.25	Friday 30.05.25	Monday 21.07.25

School Notices

Harvest Collection & celebrations

We would like to say a big thank you for all the donations to our Harvest collection, they are greatly appreciated and will be distributed to the community through Noddfa Food bank. Another big thank you to the parents and carers who came to watch and support our Class 6 and 7 Harvest concerts. Both classes performed brilliantly, we hope you enjoyed them.

Digital Portfolios

Every child at Garnteg has a Digital Portfolio where they celebrate their fantastic achievements in school and out! These can be found on Hwb in their Google Drive and we encourage your child to add any achievements outside of school onto these, within the relevant area. Please ask teachers at consultations next week if you need anything.

Parents & Carers Consultations

At Garnteg we are keen to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. A stall of pre-loved school uniform will be available for parents and carers during the consultation evenings, please come and help yourselves and save the planet.



The school has also arranged for Usborne to hold a book Fair on Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd October from 3.15pm. Books can be bought on the day and any orders taken (Payment is required with order - cash, card or bank transfer) will be delivered back to school. For every £10 spent by parents on books the school will get up to £6 worth of books for use throughout the school.

Spooky Disco



The school Council will be making games and leading the activities once again this year. Spooky treats and drinks will be available to buy. Only 1 week to go, we can't wait!

SHRN Survey



The School Health Research Network (SHRN) is a policy-practice-research partnership between Welsh Government, Public Health Wales, and Cardiff University established in 2013. SHRN aims to improve young people's health and well-being in Wales by working with schools in both primary and secondary education to generate and use good quality evidence for health improvement. This includes student and school-level surveys, capturing key health and well-being metrics. These metrics are referenced in over 30 national policies and strategies, including the Whole School Approach to Mental Health and Well-being (2021) and Estyn's Healthy and Happy Report (2019).

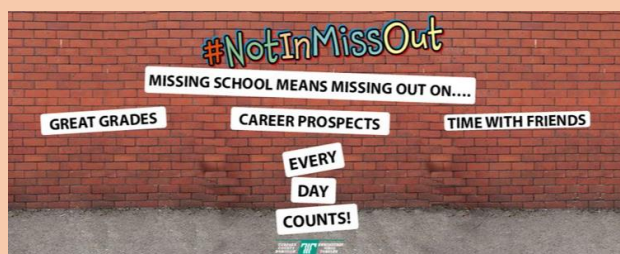
Since 2017, all mainstream secondary schools in Wales have become registered SHRN members with over 90% of schools completing SHRN's Student Health and Well-being Survey in 2021/22. Our current primary school survey offers an opportunity for joined up working across childhood and adolescence, and an avenue to better understand and support events such as transition to secondary school.

A parent's letter has been sent out to give further details. The survey will be completed by pupils in year 3, 4, 5 and 6, after half term.

Attendance Winners - 7th - 11th September 2024

Congratulations to Dosbarth 1 Miss Channing who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 95.42% and Dosbarth 6 Mr Key who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners for last week with 95.46%

WELL DONE! DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are:

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	78.31	0	78.31	3	90.83	6	97.12
Reception	88.95	1	87.50			7	86.50
		2	92.71	4	87.92	8	91.35
1	95.57	3	95.83			9	81.94
		2	89.14	4	93.00	5	94.55
5	88.39			11	95.37		
6	92.65					12	90.50
				13	94.71		

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	95	93.23
4	95	94.92
5	95	93.36
6	95	95.85
7	95	92.38
8	95	91.83
9	95	91.67
10	95	92.91
11	95	92.88
12	95	87.00
13	95	95.37

A reminder to Strive for 95! The classes with the highest attendance for the week receive a whole class reward (e.g. squash and biscuits) and any class who achieves over 90% attendance gets extra play. Individual classes also give rewards and prizes to pupils with fantastic attendance. #notinmissout

✿ Seren Yr Wythnos ✿

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mr Tully	AM - Theya PM - Emilie	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Whole class
Dosbarth 1 - Mrs Lewis	Ollie	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Williams	Whole class
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Noah	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Whole class
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Bones / Mrs Messore	Mila	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Whole class
Dosbarth 4 - Miss Channing	Beatrice	Dosbarth 11 - Miss Grimas	Whole class
Dosbarth 5 - Mrs Phillips	Megan	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Whole class
Dosbarth 6 - Mr Key	Whole class	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Whole class

Nursery - Gwaith Wow Meithrin, we are so pleased to share in all your beautiful work this week. In the Nursery, we are learning the importance of our classroom rules and how we can work together and be a team, that will help lead each other to success! What fantastic co-operation and collaboration we are seeing around the classroom. Enjoy the weekend 😊

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Da iawn Dosbarth 1 and 2 for another successful week of learning. You have all climbed to sparkle this week because you are becoming more independent with your learning. This week we have been exploring our book 'Julian is a Mermaid.' You were all able to remember the main parts of the story and retold it using time connectives! We have been super impressed with how many children are returning their reading books and completing home log learning tasks. Ardderchog pawb! Have a wonderful weekend! 😊

Dosbarth 3 - Da iawn Dosbarth 3 for a great week! Next week there will be no PE on Thursday and Friday due to the Spooky Discos. We have our spooky disco on Thursday, so children are invited to dress up on this day for the disco. Parent consultations take place on Monday and Tuesday, we look forward to seeing you there. A big plea to please support your child to learn the spellings that they bring home each week. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Da iawn Blywyddyn dau! This week you have been working hard and have wowed us with your work effort! You have re-capped what is needed to make a sentence and have started to explore using money. We look forward to welcoming you in for parents evening next week. Have a fantastic weekend!

Dosbarth 6 & 7- Wow Dosbarth 6+7, diolch yn fawr to all pupils and family members for supporting our class harvest concerts this week. We were so proud of the children for their performances and thank you to everyone who has able to attend. All food donations have been added to the school donation to Noddfa food share, and the money raised from the children's products will be spent in class on resources for the children. Next week we have our consultation meetings on Monday and Tuesday. Slips

have been sent out today to confirm timings, any questions please get in touch! We are looking forward to meeting with you all. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 8 & 9- Da iawn blwyddyn 4 for another excellent week of work. We have had some fantastic pieces of homework, please keep bringing them in for us to celebrate. Next week we have our consultation meetings on Monday and Tuesday. Slips have been sent out to confirm timings. Please check your class dojo regularly for any updates. Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - A fantastic week in Blywddyn 5 - ardderchog pawb! We've had some great pieces of homework, please keep bringing them in for us to celebrate. A reminder that next week parent consultations take place on Monday and Tuesday, we look forward to seeing you there. Spooky disco for our classes will take place on Friday, children are welcome to wear fancy dress to school. Have a wonderful weekend!

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - A huge well done for the incredible homework we have been receiving, keep up the fabulous work. We look forward to greeting you at parents evening appointments next week. Have a fabulous weekend.

Community Notices

Torfaen Play are holding a Fun & Wellbeing Camp at Garnteg in October 2024 half term. If you would like your child to attend, please book using the QR code on the attached leaflet or link below:

https://iweb.itouchvision.com/portal/itouchvision/r/customer/category_link?cuid=CCA8599AE222B64E553E3059431401AB98COB98E&lang=EN&P_LANG=en

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

FUN & Wellbeing Camps

Tuesday 29th October
Wednesday 30th October
Thursday 31st October
10:00am - 3:00pm
Age 5 to 11 years

FREE OF CHARGE

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Pre booking required
Please use the QR code to pre book
For more information please contact:
torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk

A refillable drink and packed lunch is required

Schools participating:
Blaenavon Heritage VC Primary School
Middle Coed Cae Road, Blaenavon, NP4 9AW
Coed Eva Primary School
Coed Eva, Cwmbran, NP44 4TG
Garnteg Primary School
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pontypool, 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

Pontypool Community Council
supported by Torfaen Play

MILLENNIUM ACTIVITY CLUB

A range of fun activities and workshops that are young person centred, including arts and crafts, sports activities, music, or just chilling out!

THURSDAYS
4:00PM - 5:30PM
8 to 14 years old

FREE OF CHARGE

GARNDIFFAITH MILLENNIUM HALL, TOP ROAD, GARNDIFFAITH, ABERSYCHAN, NP4 7LT

A safe environment for young people to meet up with and spend time with friends outside of school. For more information please contact:
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2k Family Fun Run Sunday 14 July

8.45am
Pontypool Park

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Pontypool Park is the fabulous setting for this friendly family fun run.
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It is timed to finish just as the 10k runners come in for their finish.

£3 per entrant to cover costs. All proceeds used to support local athletes
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kindest regards,
Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School