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Newsletter - 15th November 2024
Cylchlythyr - 15th Tachwedd 2024

Value for this half term is



Gwerth yr hanner tymor

Diary dates

INSET DAYS

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

[December Diary](#)

Every Friday in December is Christmas Jumper day!



Tuesday 3rd December 2024 - Elf Day



Christmas Concerts

Wednesday 4th December 2024 - Year 5 Christmas Concerts

Dosbarth 11 - 9:45am

Dosbarth 10 - 1.45pm

Friday 6th December 2024 - Year 6 Concert at Noddfa Church

Tuesday 10th December 2024 - Year 2 Christmas Concerts

Dosbarth 4 9:45am

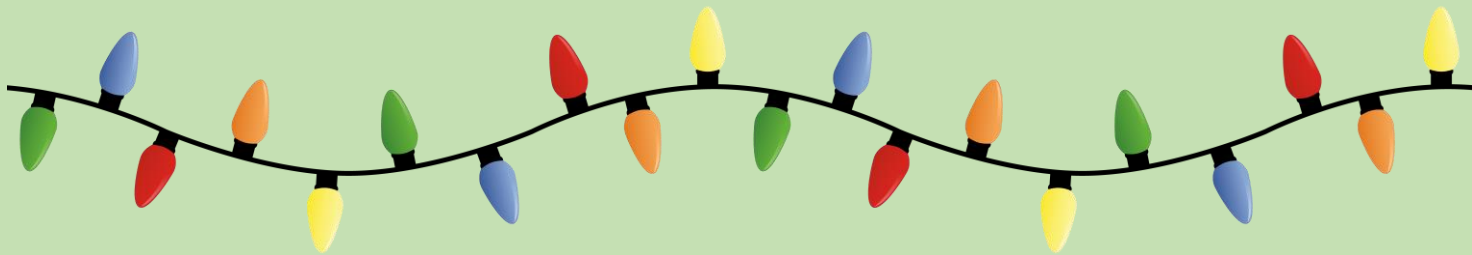
Dosbarth 5 1.45pm

Thursday 12th December 2024 - Reception Christmas Concerts

Thursday 12th December 2024 - Nursery Intake Meeting at 3.30pm

Wednesday 18th December 2024 - Christmas Dinner

Thursday 19th December 2024 - Christmas Raffle Draw



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

Christmas Raffle Donations

As Christmas is fast approaching, our school is gearing up for our annual raffle. Any donations will be greatly appreciated. We have some fabulous prizes to be won.

Raffle tickets will be arriving home with your child shortly! If you can donate or are able to ask companies for donations, please would you bring them into the school office.

Last year the response was tremendous, and we were able to use money raised to buy many new books and outdoor equipment for all classes. The raffle will be draw on **Thursday 19th December**.

Children In Need

Thank you for the super donations so far, more money is still coming in so will let you know the final total on Monday.

Nursery January Intake 2024

Croeso I Meithrin am Ysgol Gynradd Garnteg!

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery intake for January 2024.

We look forward to meeting parents / carers and the children at our settling in and information sharing event on **Thursday 12th December at 3.30pm**. You will have the opportunity to meet the Nursery team, spend time in the setting and access information as well as enjoying refreshments.

| Class | Target by end of year | Current percentage to date |
|-------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 3 | 95 | 93.11% |
| 4 | 95 | 92.68% |
| 5 | 95 | 93.31% |
| 6 | 95 | 95.79% |
| 7 | 95 | 92.85% |
| 8 | 95 | 91.49% |
| 9 | 95 | 90.11% |
| 10 | 95 | 93.20% |
| 11 | 95 | 92.69% |
| 12 | 95 | 88.85% |
| 13 | 95 | 95.25% |

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 - Narla PM - Finley | Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers | Lacey |
| Dosbarth 1 - Mrs Lewis | Samuel | Dosbarth 8 - Miss Williams | Mia |
| Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton | Charlie C | Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips | Sienna W |
| Dosbarth 3 - Miss Bones / Mrs Messore | Logan | Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya | Jamie |
| Dosbarth 4 - Miss Channing | Brooke | Dosbarth 11 - Miss Grimas | Max |
| Dosbarth 5 - Mrs Phillips | Charlotte | Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee | Layla |
| Dosbarth 6 - Mr Key | Joshua | Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans | Darcy |

Nursery - What ffantasteg fun we have had in our Nursery this week. I was so proud to see some of you speaking in front of the whole school in our Remembrance Day Assembly. This week we have been investigating colours and mixing them in a variety of ways around our Nursery. What colourful ideas you have shared in your learning. We ended the week with a Pudsey Pizza Party! Enjoy your weekend and we look forward to more fun adventures next week 😊.

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Ardderchog Dosbarth Un & Dau for another brilliant week of learning! This week you have been busy little bees planning and creating your own stories based on what you want to be when you grow up. We have also been busy practising for our Christmas concerts. Just a polite reminder to say please continue to help your child to learn their lines at home. Have a lovely weekend! Diolch from Reception staff



Dosbarth 3 - Bendigedig Dosbarth 3 for another fantastic week of learning! We have really enjoyed writing about Mae Jemison and have also been using adjectives to describe, ready for our story writing. Please continue to complete learning log tasks, we love seeing work the children have produced at home. Check Dojo and Twitter for any updates. Diolch for your continued support! Have a lovely weekend.

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Gwaith wow Dosbarth 4 & 5! We have been blown away with the work you have done this week. You have really enjoyed making predictions and being detectives, working out what will happen in our new class book "Since Emerson". You've also been using "Sut wyt ti?" to have conversations with your friends and make Welsh games for our areas. Have a lovely, restful weekend and we will see you Monday 😊.

Dosbarth 6 & 7- Diolch Dosbarth 6+7 for another wonderful week! This week we have been exploring the features of poetry and reading different poems. We were able to find out our own rhyming words and start constructing our own rhyming couplets. In our maths we have been exploring how we can use number facts we know to solve related problems. Please can all learning logs be returned on Monday as we are collecting these in to update our challenges. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 8 & 9- It has been a great week in Year 4 finding out about famous female scientists and the Matilda Effect and we are planning fantastic science investigations to complete next week.

As part of our topic, we are going to be exploring an ethical Christmas. As part of the work, we are going to be creating models.

If anyone has any large empty juice cartons (1 litre and 1.35 litre cartons) at home that we can use to make craft items in school, can they please be sent into school with the children.

Have a lovely weekend.

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - A fantastic week learning all about our topic 'Epic Explorers.' Just a reminder that trip letters are to be brought back to class teacher, and deposits paid online for our residential trip.

Our class Christmas concerts will be December 4th - Class 11 at 9:45 and Class 10 at 13:30. Diolch yn fawr.

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - Another brilliant week of hard work and determination in Year 6. Remember to look at your learning logs over the weekend, we can't wait to see all of the exciting work you complete.

Community Notices



Pontypool Community Council
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MILLENIUM 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

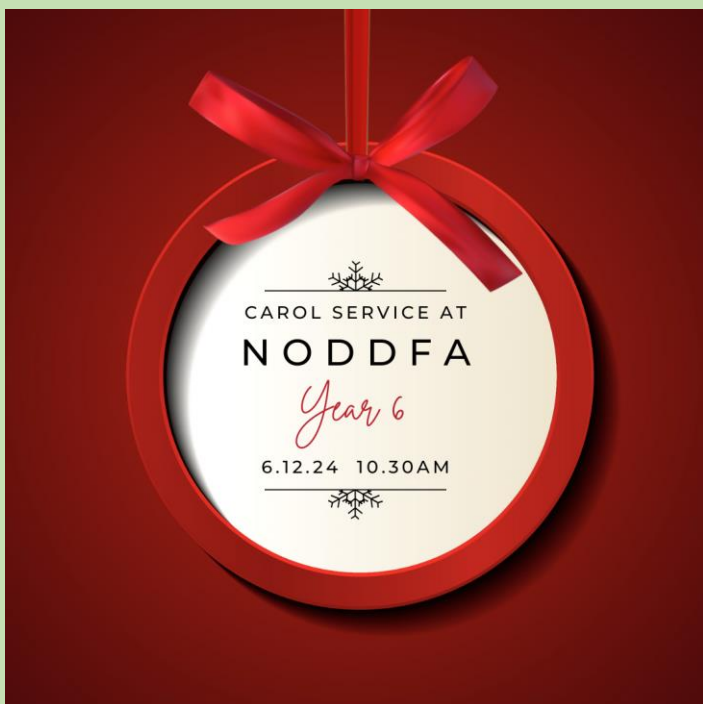
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CAROL SERVICE AT
NODDFA
Year 6
6.12.24 10.30AM

Year 6- We are delighted to be performing a carol service at Noddfa Church again this year. The year 6 pupils will perform a collection of songs, poetry, memories etc at 10.30am at Noddfa church on Friday 6th December.

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 Directed by
 A NICK WILKINSON

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PERFORMANCE DATES 2024
 Thursday 12th December 7pm
 Friday 13th December 7pm
 Saturday 14th December 2pm / 7pm

TICKET PRICES
 Adult £12
 Concessions £8
 Family of four £32

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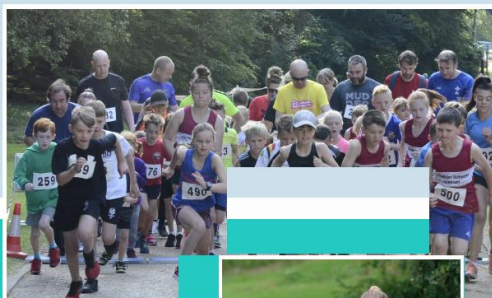


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2k Family Fun Run Sunday 14 July

8.45am
Pontypool Park

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Pontypool Park is the fabulous setting for this friendly family fun run.
Grandparents, parents, children, toddlers.
Everyone can join in the fun
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