

GARNTTEG PRIMARY



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### Lythys - Newsletter - 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020

This half term our value is: Co-operation

Dear Parent/Carer,  
Annwyl Rhieni

It is starting to feel like Christmas at Garntteg. All of the hard work by pupils is celebrated on Class Dojos, Hwb and Twitter, so please check these regularly so you can celebrate achievements with your children.

Important Dates for your diary



**Christmas Parties - Pupils can wear party clothes**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

Morning - Year 3 - classes 7 & 8

Afternoon - Reception - classes 1 & 2

### **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Morning - Year 2 - classes 5 & 6

Afternoon - Year 1 - classes 3 & 4

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Morning - Nursery morning group

Afternoon - Nursery afternoon group

### **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Morning - Years 5 & 6 - classes 11 & 12

Afternoon - Year 4 - classes 9 & 10

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Morning - Years 5 & 6 - classes 13 & 14

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner in School pupils may wear Christmas jumper or any of their own choice to celebrate - Please would parents contact school via class dojo by 1<sup>st</sup> December if your child will be having Christmas Dinner**

**Santa has also informed us he will be making a special outside flying visit to Garnteg this year!**

### **Inset Days for this academic year 2020-2021**

January 4<sup>th</sup> 2021

July 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2021

**Children in Need update - Thank you so much for your generosity.**

### **We raised a fantastic £543.99!**



Everyone made a huge effort last Friday for our non-uniform fundraising day for 'Children in Need.' From wearing spots, ears and Pudsey t-shirts to storm troupers, football players and princesses, the children had great fun. Thank you to parents, children and staff from making the day such a success.

### **Odd socks for Anti Bullying**

Thank you to all the pupils and staff who supported Anti-bullying week by wearing odd socks today. We had many colourful combinations!

### **Christmas Raffle**

The staff have been busy this week asking local companies for donations to our annual Christmas Raffle and have already received many fantastic prizes. You should have received raffle tickets which have been sent home with pupils in an envelope and we would really appreciate if you can buy and return raffle tickets and money in the envelopes we send home. If you require additional raffle tickets please let staff know by returning the slip in your envelope. Money raised from the raffle will be used to support Christmas activities in classes and support the homeless. We thank you for your continued support with this. We already have lots of lovely prizes including android devices toys games and many more!

### **Carols Under the Arch (on line)**

Due to Covid restrictions, this year Carols Under the Arch led by Noddfa Church and Victory Church Blaenavon will take place on line on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00. The service will also include contributions from pupils at Garnteg, with pupils playing instruments and solo singing. We will update you with further information in the forthcoming weeks.

### Important updates Garnteg Covid response

Please can parents/carers check for updates and letters which have been sent this week on Class Dojos and pupils' Hwb accounts.

There are also updates and letters to parents on our school website this week:

<http://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/>

### Useful links for parents in identifying symptoms of Covid

<https://www.facebook.com/educationwales/videos/394609874843267/>

### Torfaen CBC information for parents

<https://www.torfaen.gov.uk/en/AboutTheCouncil/HomepageStories/Coronavirus/Education/Return-to-School-FAQs.aspx>

### Please Support the Welsh Blood Service



Please help the Welsh Blood Service by donating blood if you can

The link to the Torfaen page on our website is <https://wbs.wales/YCCwmbran> No walk-in slots are available, all donors will need to book an appointment.

Only 3% of the population in Wales donate blood, so new donors are always needed.

We so appreciate your help

[Meic Helpline](#)



## Home - Meic

Welcome to Meic. Meic is the helpline service for children and young people up to the age of 25 in Wales. From finding out what's going on in your local area to help dealing with a tricky situation, Meic will listen even when no-one else will.

[www.meiccymru.org](http://www.meiccymru.org)

My Name is Dean Flowers I am the Engagement Support Officer at ProMo- Cymru.

This is a Project funded by Welsh Government for Children and Young People in Wales.

At ProMo-Cymru we run the Meic Helpline, Meic is the National Information, advice and advocacy helpline for Children and Young People aged 0-Up to and including the Age of 25,

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### Pupil Absence

If your child is absent from school, please would parents/carers ensure they telephone the school office on 01495 742934 by 9.30am to advise us of the reason for the absence. Please leave a message on the answerphone if you are unable to speak to a member of the office staff.

If parents/pupils are experiencing problems accessing Hwb or Class Dojos can you please contact the school so we can support you with this.

Pupil of the week - in class

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Pupil of the Week	Class	Pupil of the Week
Nursery - Miss Hudspeth	Elliot and Lacey-Mae	Class 7 - Mrs Lewis	Poppy
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Maison	Class 8 - Miss Paske	Seren
Class 2 - Mr Key	Archie	Class 9 - Mrs Rogers	Kaylum
Class 3 - Miss Bones	Kai	Class 10 - Mrs Messoro	Indie
Class 4 - Miss Brooks	Euan	Class 11 - Miss Grimas	Jai
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Olivia	Class 12 - Miss Williams	Lily
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Abigail	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Kizzie
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Ruby

Nursery- Meithrin have impressed us this week with their fantastic mark making skills. I can tell lots of children have been practising at home, da iawn! This week we have started putting the Christmas decorations up in nursery and practised our mindful breathing techniques. A reminder that if your child will not be attending a nursery session, can you please telephone the school office to let them know. Diolch!

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Diolch Reception for another lovely week and for supporting odd socks day today! We loved seeing your different socks! Today we are sending out a new home learning log which includes lots of exciting

Christmas themed activities for you to try! Thank you so much for your support so far with home learning, we love receiving all the amazing pictures, tweets and videos and awarding dojo points for these! Just a reminder, please can children bring in one piece of healthy tuck for break time such as a piece of fruit.

**Dosbarth 3 & 4** - Da iawn to everyone for another fantastic week of learning both in school and at home. Please continue to send us your home learning tasks, we love to see them and enjoy updating your Dojos for work completed at home. Our new home learning log tasks have been uploaded along with My Maths. We also upload new spellings and Big Maths weekly. A reminder that PE is a Thursday so children can wear PE kits. Can children also bring a healthy snack for snack time. Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 5 & 6** - Diolch for another wonderful week! Don't forget to have a look on HWB, class dojo and My Maths for home learning tasks, we love celebrating your home learning! Just a reminder please can children bring in a healthy snack for tuck time. Diolch!

**Dosbarth 7 & 8**

Da iawn Blwydden! We have been super busy in all areas of our curriculum. Everybody is trying hard to complete their tasks to the best of their ability. Thanks once again for the brilliant homework tasks that are being completed. Please continue with this homework and send us photos of the finished products. We really love to see how the children are getting on at home. Just another reminder that PE takes place on Monday's and Wednesday's, so PE kits can be worn to school on these days. Please can children bring in healthy snacks for snack time.

**Dosbarth 9 & 10**

Well done to everyone for another fantastic week of learning. We have enjoyed looking at your lovely Learning log activities and so many dojo points have been given for your amazing efforts. We would like you to encourage your child to complete the My Maths homework tasks that have been set each week-this is an opportunity for you to share with the children the skills that they have been learning during the week. There are extra dojo points for everyone that completes the challenges-if you need your child's login details again please feel free to message us through class dojo. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 11 & 12**

Da iawn to all of Dosbarth 11 & 12 for another excellent week! We are so impressed with the effort you have put in to all of your work this week and the lovely homework tasks you have been uploading to our learning platforms. A quick reminder to bring in your healthy snacks for our snack time and for P.E kits to be worn to school for P.E sessions, please remember to bring a zip up jacket or hoodie as we will still be going outside for P.E, weather permitting. Keep up the good work Blwydden 5/6 and have a fantastic weekend!

**Dosbarth 13 & 14**

Diolch to all the pupils in Dosbarth 13 and 14 for the way you have worked this week. It has been lovely to see so many of you online on Thursday and Friday and we will continue with this next week. There has been some excellent work produced and you have had such a great attitude. Keep it going! We will meet on TEAMS each morning at 9.30am next week to start our day and go through the lessons. Have a lovely weekend.

**Kind regards,**

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