

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

This half term our value is: Friendship

“Things are never quite as scary when you’ve got a friend ”

Cylchlythyr - 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Cyfeillgarwch

Important Dates for your diary

Pupil Individual Photographs - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Autumn Half Term - October 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>

Inset day - 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Inset days - 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

**Dear Parents/Carers,  
Annwyl Rhieni/Sy'n ofalwyr**

We have had another super week at Garnteg, with excellent learning and wellbeing activities taking place in all classes. Thank you for continuing to support us by keeping safe and healthy.

### **Self-Isolation requirements**

Pupils, staff and other adults who are fully vaccinated or under the age of 18 are not required to self-isolate as a contact and are allowed to attend school. However, if they are deemed to be a close contact the local contact tracing team will contact you will need to take a PCR test on day 2 and day 8. PCR tests for close contacts helps break the chain of transmission within the communities and protects those who are vulnerable.

Anyone developing COVID-19 symptoms during the school day will be sent home to self-isolate and arrange a PCR test.

We are very much looking forward to the Autumn term and have received some guidance of how schools will operate in a more relaxed way. We will of course update you on the changes but if you would like further guidance, please follow the link below to the Welsh Government frequently asked question page:

<https://gov.wales/schools-coronavirus-guidance>

### **Breakfast club**

The doors are open at 8:30am and all children are welcome to attend. Please let staff know if you need a registration form (only need to complete if you haven't completed before or if you need to update form).

### **Tuck**

As a Healthy School, for a morning snack children need a portion of **fruit or vegetables only** to eat at morning break. We know you will support us in maintaining our Healthy School status.

### **School Lunch menu**

The school lunch menu can be downloaded from the following website:

<https://www.torfaen.gov.uk/en/Related-Documents/School-Meals/Primary-School-Menu.pdf>

### **Lunch Boxes**

As a Healthy School we would like to remind you of the importance of healthy lunchboxes, we would recommend a sandwich/ pasta pot/ crackers/ salad, with a portion of fruit and/or vegetables and a yoghurt, if you would like to add 1 chocolate biscuit and a small packet of crisps this is fine. Please avoid over filling your child's lunchbox, particularly with unhealthy items.

A guide to healthy lunchboxes can be found on the government website, the link can be found below:

<https://gov.wales/healthy-lunchboxes-leaflet>.

### **Medical Appointments**

Medical/Dental/Optician etc appointments should be arranged out of school hours wherever possible. When collecting your child for an appointment please use the buzzer at the main gate and your child will be brought up to you.

### **Collection of pupils**

We are unable to release pupils to any other person other than the parent/carer unless permission is received in school. Please inform staff if someone else is collecting your child.

### **Caring Canines Cymru**

Caring Canines Cymru visited Class 13 this week and pupils had a super time with Juliet and Rosie the dog completing activities in small groups such as taking her for walks, reading to her and other wellbeing activities. Juliet and Rosie will be spending 2 Thursday mornings in each class until July.

### **Admission to Secondary School 2022**

The online admission for Secondary places 2022, opens on **Wednesday 22nd September** at 9.00 am and parents can apply as of that date, the form will also be available to download from the Torfaen Website.

### **Nursery Applications 2022**

The deadline for receipt of Nursery Applications for 2022 is Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021.

### **Pupil Absence**

In the event of your child being absent please telephone/email the school office before 9.30am.

### **Pupil of the week in classes**

<b>Foundation Phase</b>		<b>Key Stage 2</b>	
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<b>Class</b>	<b>Pupil of the Week</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Pupil of the Week</b>
<b>Nursery - Mrs Attewell</b>	Mornings - Isaac and Lexi .P. Afternoons - George and Milani	<b>Class 7 - Miss Williams</b>	Cori
<b>Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya</b>	Georgia	<b>Class 8 - Miss Bones</b>	Charlie
<b>Class 2 - Miss Brooks</b>	Kenadee	<b>Class 9 - Miss Lewis</b>	Ollie
<b>Class 3 - Mr Key</b>	Harley	<b>Class 10 - Miss Paske</b>	Tomas
<b>Class 4 - Miss Brown</b>	Jake W	<b>Class 11 - Mrs Rogers</b>	Layla
<b>Class 5 - Mrs Lee</b>	Jacob	<b>Class 12 - Mrs Messore</b>	Cody and Bethany
<b>Class 6 - Miss Carroll</b>	Finnley and Jaydee	<b>Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans</b>	Alaina
		<b>Class 14 - Mr Phillips</b>	Jayden-Lee

**Nursery** - Da Iawn Meithrin for another fantastic week! This week we have been reading and writing numbers in lots of different ways and singing songs about numbers! Don't forget to look on twitter to see our photographs. Nursery Homework log will be uploaded to Class Dojo today for the autumn term. Please send pictures on class dojo and twitter. We would love to see them! Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - What a fantastic week we've had in Dosbarth 1 & 2 this week. The children have continued to impress us this week with their learning of ordering numbers to 10 and their first PE session. Can we please ask that all children's clothes and items they bring to school are labelled correctly. Our homework logs will be uploaded next week including oxford owl for your children to start looking at reading books online. Our PE days are every Tuesday please can children wear their PE clothes to school on this day.

**Dosbarth 3 & 4** - We have had another brilliant week in Dosbarth 3&4! The children have worked extremely hard when continuing to work on their topic 'The Magic in Me.' We have been using ICT to collect data, making maps of our classroom areas and writing new dialogue to go with the story 'Room on the Broom'. New spellings will be sent out tonight through class dojos and we will try these together on Friday 24th. PE will continue to take place on Wednesday afternoon. Well done for a fantastic week, see you on Monday!

**Dosbarth 5 & 6** - We would like to say a great big thank you to the children in Dosbarth 5 and 6 for their continued hard work this week. We have had a lot of fun thinking about our topic 'Ready Steady Grow' and we have really enjoyed our online assemblies this week! Miss Carroll's class will be having PE on a Monday and Mrs Lee's class will be a Thursday. Please could the children come to school dressed in their PE kit - no cropped tops please. Please can we ask that all jumpers/cardigans are clearly labelled. Our homework logs will be uploaded next week alongside our spellings and 'My Maths' homework. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo and Twitter for more information next week.

**Dosbarth 7 & 8** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 7 & 8 for another fantastic week! We have particularly enjoyed celebrating Roald Dahl Day and exploring our new topic 'Free to be You and Me.' Miss Williams class will be having PE on a Monday and Friday and Miss Bones class will be on Monday and Thursday. Please can children wear PE kit to school on these days. Continue to keep an eye on class updates from Class Dojo, Twitter. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 9 & 10** -Ardderchog Dosbarth 9 & 10 for another week of successful learning. We have been working really hard on working independently in Blwydden 4. Keep up to date with Class Dojo and Hwb, as the spellings for the week and the homework learning log have been uploaded there for you to access. MyMaths tasks have also been set for your child to complete over the weekend. A polite reminder that children can come dressed in their PE kits on a Tuesday and Thursday for our PE sessions. Have a wonderful weekend. Diolch! :)

**Dosbarth 11 & 12** - Bendigedig pawb for another superb week of learning, you have all worked hard and are really enjoying our new topic 'Inside Out!'. Just a polite reminder that Class 11's P.E days are Wednesday and Friday and Class 12's days are Monday and Friday. The children are able to wear their P.E clothes on these days. Please ensure they are wearing sensible trainers and a hoody also as we are outside for these days. On a weekly basis we will continue to post spellings and MY maths homework and the children are encouraged to access Bug Club at home. Homework log tasks can be found on class dojo and hwb. Have a fantastic weekend.

**Dosbarth 13 & 14** -

A big well done to everyone in Dosbarth 13 and 14 for your hard work this week. It is great to see you all working so well in the classroom and enjoying the lessons. PE days will be on a Wednesday and Friday, so please can all pupils wear their PE kits into school on both those days. Have a lovely weekend and see you back in the classroom on Monday morning!

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School