

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 19<sup>th</sup> November2021

This half term our value is: Caring



**Cylchlythyr - 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw:Gofalu**

**Important Dates for your diary**

**Children's Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**School Finishes for Christmas - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**School starts back after Christmas - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Additional Jubilee Day - 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

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

**Inset days - 21st and 22nd July 2022**

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

**Poppy Appeal**

Thank you all for your kind donations to this year's Poppy Appeal - we raised a huge £597.87. Without your help, the Royal British Legion would not be able to continue their vital work.

**Message from School Council and Ambassadors:**

**Children in Need**



We all had a lovely day celebrating Children in Need. All the children looked fabulous in their cosy colourful clothes and everyone really enjoyed taking part in the activities outside. Thank you all for your generous donations. We raised a fabulous £974.15!

### Nursery January Intake 2022

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery intake for January 2022. We have scheduled an intake programme to provide as much information as possible to support a smooth transition for your child.

We look forward to meeting parents and carers at the Nursery intake meeting via Microsoft Teams on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 3:30pm** where you will have a chance to meet the Nursery Team for January 2022.

Your child will be invited into Nursery for a transition afternoon on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of December at 1pm - 2:30pm.**

If your child has been allocated a place at Garnteg Nursery you will receive an email with key information on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

**Nursery Intake Information**

*You are capable of Amazing Things*

Monday 29th November - Please check your emails for class handbook, early years questionnaire and a video of your child's classroom

Thursday 2nd December 3.30pm - Nursery intake meeting for parents virtually on Microsoft Teams

Thursday 7th December 1pm - 2.30pm - Children are invited to come into Nursery for a settling in session. They will have the opportunity to meet their teacher and visit their new classroom. Please use bottom gate entrance to the school.

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### **Christmas/Sparkle jumpers**

Everyone looked very festive today 😊. Children can wear their Christmas/Sparkle jumpers every Friday until the end of term. If you do have any Christmas/Sparkle jumpers which you no longer use or need, we would be very grateful if you can send these into school from Monday.

### **Christmas Raffle**

We will be holding our annual Christmas raffle in the last week of this term and would appreciate any kind donations. If you can donate or ask companies for donations, please could you send them into school as soon as possible.

You should have now received your raffle tickets; we would really appreciate if you can buy and return raffle tickets and money in the envelopes provided. If you require additional raffle tickets, your child's teacher will have extra tickets in class. We already have some lovely prizes including cuddly toys, chocolates etc and a fabulous Mini I Pad Air. We appreciate your continued support.

Last year the response was tremendous, and we were able to use money raised to buy many new inside and outside games for pupils to use in their classes. This year the money will be again used for classroom resources and will also go to local charities.

### **Christmas Lunch for Pupils**

Christmas Lunch will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, if you wish your child to have Christmas Lunch, please let your child's teacher know via class dojo by Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Only Christmas Lunch will be available from the canteen on this day.

### **Civica Pay System for online payment of pupil school dinners**

We have been advised that the system will be unavailable from 1.00pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November for approximately 4 hours, during this time parents/carers will be unable to make payments on the system.

### **Keeping Children Safe Online**

Each week we will be sharing guides that cover the key things parents/carers should know about the most popular social media and gaming apps used by our learners. These guides can be found in the 'In The Know' area of Hwb.

This week is all about **Pokemon Go** - follow the link for age ratings, potential risks and what you can do to keep your child safe [Pokemon Go - Hwb \(gov.wales\)](https://gov.wales/pokemon-go)

### **Secondary Admissions 2022 - Important information**

Closing date for applications is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 by 12.00 noon.

You can apply online by following this link [www.torfaen.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](http://www.torfaen.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

### Pupil of the week in classes

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Pupil of the Week	Class	Pupil of the Week
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM Queen - Nancy PM Queen - Lexi	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Ebony
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Ronan	Class 8 - Miss Bones	Archie
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Jayden	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	Caden & Shayleigh
Class 3 - Mr Key	Emma and Easton	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Lexie
Class 4 - Miss Brown	Harrison	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Gracie
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Jamie	Class 12 - Mrs Messoro	Myah
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Ellie	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Caden
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Edee-Mai & Liberty

**Nursery** - Well what can I say Meithrin - Wow!! This week you conducted your very own real-life science experiment (and got to soak Mrs Darmanin in the process!) to work out what materials are waterproof, ready for an exciting visitor to join us next week. You not only conducted a science experiment, you got creative and designed a waterproof coat for our special visitor coming to nursery next week and then used your magical maths skills to record a tally chart of the favourite design ready to make the coat. And you all looked wonderful in your Christmas/sparkle jumpers to finish the end of a busy week, thank you for making such an effort again. Have a restful weekend and stay safe. We look forward to seeing you next week.

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Ffantesteg week again Derbyn! This week we have worked really hard on our writing skills. We have used lots of different areas to find initial sounds. We have blown our teachers away with our knowledge. Christmas jumpers are now every Friday to wear to school. Our bug club competition is still going so please continue to read over the week to gain a prize on a Friday. Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 3 & 4** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 3 and 4, you have worked really hard this week, exploring what makes you magical and magical kindness as part of our magic moments project! We loved using natural materials to make a kindness gift and even made our own kindness songs! Christmas jumpers can now be worn each Friday until Christmas and just a reminder to let us know if your child would like Christmas dinner on 15<sup>th</sup> December! Just a reminder that my maths and bug club resources are always available for the children to use, if you need logins please let us know and we will be happy to help! Thank you, have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 5 & 6** - What another ffantesteg week we have had in Blwyddyn Dau! We have been consolidating our understanding of place value by making the most of our outdoor environment. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo and Twitter for updates and to keep up with all our lovely learning! Please continue to complete home

learning logs, my maths activities and bug club for reading at home, all logins have been sent via Class Dojo. Enjoy your weekend 😊

**Dosbarth 7 & 8** - Da iawn Dosbarth 7 & 8 for a fantastic week! We have been busy with our Christmas preparations this week and can't wait to share these with you. A polite reminder that Christmas/sparkly jumpers are to be worn every Friday in the run up to Christmas. Can you also let teachers know if you would like your child to have Christmas dinner on 15<sup>th</sup> December. Have a lovely weekend, keep climbing to sparkle!

**Dosbarth 9 & 10** - Da iawn Dosbarth 9 and 10 for another week of excellent learning. We have been so impressed with how you have been completing tasks independently. A reminder that we will be inviting children to wear Christmas jumpers every Friday until the end of term. Also, just a reminder to message Mrs Lewis or Miss Paske if your child will be having Christmas dinner on Wednesday 15.12.21. A final note, that some children will be coming home with some lines that they will need to learn for our small 'Christmas Collection' that will be showcased virtually before we break up for the Christmas break. Have a wonderful weekend. Wrap up warm and keep safe 😊

**Dosbarth 11 & 12** - Da iawn Dosbarth 11 & 12, you have all worked so hard. We had a lot of fun in science, investigating our lung capacity and got a little wet! Just a reminder about wearing coats at this time of year and appropriate shoes. Can you let us know via dojos, if your child would like a Christmas dinner, next week? Christmas Dinner is on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December and there will be no funky fillings that day. The children looked fab in their Christmas jumpers! Have a lovely weekend everyone.

**Dosbarth 13 & 14** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 13 and 14 for your efforts this week. It is great to see you working so creatively and independently in class. For the rest of the term, the children can wear their Christmas Jumpers to school on a Friday and could you please let us know through dojo if you wish your child to have a Christmas dinner on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Have a lovely weekend and see you all back in the classroom on Monday. Diolch yn fawr!

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School