

GARNTeg PRIMARY



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First New Moon of
the Year –
The Wolf Moon

Lleuad Newydd
Gyntaf y Flwyddyn –
Y Lleuad Blaidd



Newsletter - 21st January 2022

This half term our value is: Understanding

"Play is the highest form of research" Albert Einstein.

Cylchlythyr - 21st January 2022

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Deall

Important Dates for your diary

Additional Jubilee Day - 29th April 2022

Inset day - 27th May 2022

Inset days - 21st and 22nd July 2022

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

New Curriculum for Wales 2022

As of September 2022, the Curriculum for Wales will be launched. This brings a new and exciting twist on schools and education and means experiences and hands on learning will be at the forefront of how schools work. At Garnteg we have been working closely with the EAS to plan for these changes over recent years.

Over the next few weeks we will be sharing key parts of information with you, so keep your eyes peeled for the upcoming, exciting changes.

<https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales>

Welsh Government changes to Additional Learning Needs

I hope that you found the letter that was sent via pupil Hwb and Dojo pages giving parents/carers new information about the legislation regarding changes to Additional Learning Needs. A video link explaining the changes in more detail will be sent out at the end of next week, with a link to a questionnaire for you to complete if you have any further questions.

Change of Contact Details

Please advise the school office of any changes to contact telephone numbers or details as soon as they occur.

Also please telephone the school office on 01495 742934 or email garntegschool.office@torfaen.gov.uk by 9.30am to inform us of any pupil absence.

LFT Tests for pupils


Here is a link to order LFT tests online for pupils if you are unable to access any through the local pharmacy. <https://gov.wales> Get our App: edsp.co/app. If you are still unable to receive an LFT test for your child, Primary schools have a very small supply available for emergency testing. Further supplies of tests will be available from schools during the next week.

Request from Track and Trace, Torfaen Borough Council

We're asking all residents to record your Lateral Flow Test Results, especially when positive: online <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

or by calling 119






#keepwalesafe



Positive lateral flow test result?

You no longer need to take a follow-up PCR test. But you need to register the result online or by calling 119 and isolate immediately for 7 days. If you have coronavirus symptoms, you should book a PCR test gov.wales/get-tested-coronavirus-covid-19

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Risk Assessment Covid 19

A copy of our current Covid 19 Risk Assessment is available on our website under the information zone tab.

Blaenavon Heritage Tapestry and Creative Journal

Details below of Blaenavon Heritage Exhibition and Creative Journal Workshops

<p>Blaenavon Heritage Town Tapestry A Memory Map of Broad Street.</p> <p>EXHIBITION at Blaenavon World Heritage Centre.</p> <p>Tuesday 18th – Sunday 23rd January 2022</p> <p>10 - 5pm</p> <p><i>An interactive tapestry, recalling stories and memories of shopping in Broad Street Blaenavon.</i></p>	<p>Tapestri Tref Dreftadaeth Blaenafon Map Cof o Broad Street.</p> <p>ARDDANGOSFA yng Nghanolfan Treftadaeth y Byd Blaenafon.</p> <p>Dydd Mawrth 18th – Ddydd Sul 23rd Ionawr 2022</p> <p>10 - 5pm</p> <p><i>Tapestri rhyngweithiol, yn dwyn i gaf straeon ac atgofion o siopa yn Broad Street Blaenafon.</i></p>
	
	

Creative Journal Projects & Workshops Designed & Facilitated by Liz Thomas.

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Kerbcraft for Year 3

We are looking forward to welcoming our road safety officers back to complete a 10-12-week course with our Year 3 learners (Classes 7 & 8) starting weekly from Monday 31st January. Kerbcraft is a road safety scheme which teaches children how to be safer pedestrians. During the course, the children will be taught how the right decision-making and behaviour can really help them to keep safe. The children learn skills including how to choose safe places and routes to cross the road, crossing safely near parked cars and crossing safely near junctions. Consent will be asked from parents / carers prior to the course starting via Class Dojos.

Gwent Music - Brass & Guitar

Gwent Music sessions for Guitar and Brass sessions continue to take place on Thursday 13th January for pupils registered. If your child receives this provision, please remind them to bring in their instruments into school on Wednesday ready for their sessions on Thursday. Many thanks!

Criw Cymraeg

Bore da. Croeso i Criw yn Ysgol Garnteg.

On Tuesday 25th January (Dydd Mawrth Ionawr 25) the Urdd Eisteddfod will be celebrating it's 100th birthday. As part of their celebrations, they are trying to break a Guinness World Record for the most uploads of the same song to Twitter and Facebook. We will be taking part in this record attempt.

Look out for the hashtag **#YmgaisRecordBydYrUrdd**

Attendance

We are currently having weekly meetings to monitor attendance throughout the school. If your child is absent, please can you contact the school office or classteachers with details of pupil absence so we can record on our system.

Attendance Winners - 17th- 21st January 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 1 who were our Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 98.1% and to Dosbarth 7 who were our Key Stage 2 winners with 92.4%. Well done!

Our whole School attendance this week is 90.3% - lets raise our game for the New Year and get back up to our target of 95%!

Pupil of the week in classes

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Pupil of the Week	Class	Pupil of the Week
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	Morning - Mila & Louie Afternoon - Darcie-Lyn & Carter	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Ellie
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya		Class 8 - Miss Bones	Seren
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Jayden	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	Emily
Class 3 - Mr Key	Rylan	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Lily
Class 4 - Miss Brown	William	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Jonah
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Bella	Class 12 - Mrs Messoro	Logan
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Ruan	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Lily E
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Nathan

Nursery - Da Iawn Meithrin! We have had a wonderful week learning all about birds as part of 'The Big School Bird Watch.' We have been learning their names and made bird feeders using recycled materials, to encourage them to come to our Nursery Garden! We have seen a few already! 😊 We would love for you to send in any pictures of birds you see in your gardens. Thank you for your continued support! Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Bendedegid Dosbarth un and dau. Another wonderful week in both classes! This week Dosbarth un have designed their own item they would like to make using recyclable materials and Dosbarth dau have designed their own classroom areas using labels and signs they have made. We still need recycling items, and this includes clothes so we can start our sewing sessions in class. Bug club and maths watch have been updated for the next two weeks also. Have a wonderful weekend.

Dosbarth 3 & 4 - Da iawn Dosbarth 3+4 for another fabulous week! This week we have interpreted and used data from different sources, developed our writing using connectives, filmed our own fact videos about countries of the world and created beautiful landscape artwork from our school and beyond - wow! Please see class dojo for new spellings and our home learning log continues this week, don't forget to send in any tasks completed for extra dojos! Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 5 & 6 - Da iawn dosbarth chwech a pump! What a wonderful week you have had reusing and recycling materials to create your own recycled model and taking part in a science experiment to make your own recycled paper! Keep an eye on Class Dojo and Twitter to see what we have been up to. Have a lovely weekend 😊

Dosbarth 7 & 8 - Bendigedig Dosbarth 7 & 8 for another fantastic week! We are so proud of how you have developed your skills to be independent learners this week and create beautiful work! Over the last four weeks we have thoroughly enjoyed having the Caring Canines in our classes. The children were so caring and responsible helping our canine friends feel settled in the classroom environment. We will continue to update you through Twitter and Class Dojo, so be sure to check for updates regularly. PE days are Monday and Thursday for Dosbarth 8 and Monday and Friday for Dosbarth 7. We hope you have a lovely weekend, and we will see you all on Monday 😊

Dosbarth 9 & 10 - Da iawn Blywdden pedwar for a splendid week of learning. We are so proud of all of you, as you're becoming more resilient when faced with difficult tasks. Next week, we will be starting our science project, so we would appreciate it if you could bring in any recyclable materials. Have a lovely weekend. Wrap up warm. Diolch from Year 4 staff. 😊

Dosbarth 11 & 12 - Bendigedig pawb for a fantastic week of learning. You have all produced lovely pieces of work on climate change and the effects it is having. In dosbarth 11 we would like to turn our outdoor area in to a craft area using recyclable material, so we would appreciate any donations of bottles, yoghurt pot, kitchen roll, pieces of material etc. Just a reminder to continue using my maths and bug club at home. We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Dosbarth 13 & 14 -

Diolch yn fawr Blywddyn Chwech for all your hard work this week. We have enjoyed continuing to work on our Adventure Stories in class and exploring our world. We are looking forward to taking part in the Urdd Parti next week too. Have a wonderful weekend and see you all back in the classroom on Monday.

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School