

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 28th January 2022

This half term our value is: Understanding
"From Little Seeds grow mighty trees"

Cylchlythyr - 28th January 2022

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Deall

Important Dates for your diary

Wear Red for Velindre - Friday 4th February

Valentine's Disco - Monday 14th February

Additional Jubilee Day - 29th April 2022

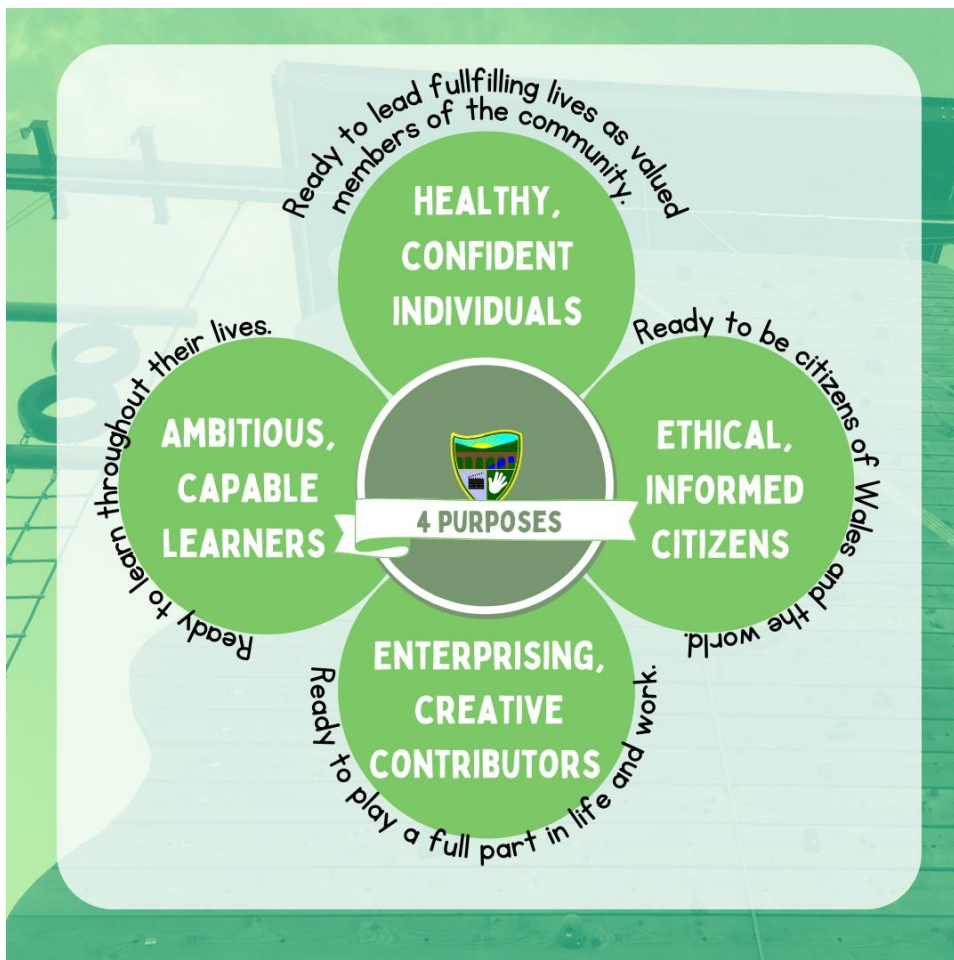
Inset day - 27th May 2022

Inset days - 21st and 22nd July 2022

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

New Curriculum for Wales 2022

One of the key drivers of our New Curriculum in Wales is the four purposes. You may have heard your children mentioning these as it's something they've done a lot of work on in classes.



Every session and opportunity we provide will now underpin these four purposes, ensuring our children become 'healthy, confident individuals, ethically informed citizens, enterprising creative contributors and ambitious capable learners'. These skills will prepare them for the future. Find out more here

<https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/designing-your-curriculum/developing-a-vision-for-curriculum-design/#curriculum-design-and-the-four-purposes>

Welsh Government changes to Additional Learning Needs

A new ALN Bill has been passed by Welsh Government. A link to a video explaining the changes that are happening in ALN will be sent out to you via pupil Hwb and Dojo pages giving you new information and legislation regarding these changes. A link to a survey will also be sent, if you have any comments or questions please complete the survey and we will answer any questions that are raised.

Further information can be accessed through:

Wear Red for Velindre

**Wear
Red**

For Wales and Velindre

**Gwisgwch
Goch**

I Gymru A Felindre



We will be holding our annual Wear Red for Velindre day on Friday 4th February - wear your lovely red clothes and donate £1 for this worthwhile charity.

Velindre's annual WEAR RED campaign is BACK in time for the Six Nations return in February and we want YOU to join us. #WearRed2022.

Every penny raised from our Wear Red Campaign is invested back into Velindre Cancer Centre to fund a range of services, roles and resources that has a significant impact on the experience and treatment journey of our patients and their families.

Valentines Events

From 8th February our Valentines Shop will be in operation, where the children will be able to buy confectionery, mugs etc. Prices range from £1.50 - £3.00.



On February 14th we will be holding Valentine's Discos in Year groups, children will be able to wear their red clothes to celebrate Valentine's Day

Visit from Abersychan Teachers

On Wednesday 2nd February, teachers from Abersychan School will be coming in to meet with all Year 6 pupils.

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

#keepwalessafe

Risk Assessment Covid 19

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

Urdd (Wales' largest Youth Organisation - Guinness World Record

Urdd Gobaith Cymru celebrated its 100th birthday with a world record attempt on Tuesday 25th January. Children at Garnteg joined the Urdd and people from across the nation to attempt an official Guinness World Records™ title by uploading as many videos of classes, individuals and groups singing a shortened version of the iconic song, *Hei Mistar Urdd*, on Twitter between 10:45 and 11:45 and WE DID IT! Bendigedig pawb! 😊



Playmaker's Award for Year 5

Year 5 learners in Dosbarth 11 and 12 are looking forward to working with our Sports Development Officer on 4th and 11th of February in hope of achieving the Playmaker's Award. The aim of the award is to teach the learners valuable leadership skills through physical activity, so that they can plan their own sports activities with their peers and some of the other year groups in our school.

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 with an introductory class session.

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.

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 - 24 - 28 January 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 6 who were our Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 95.4% and to Dosbarth 8 who were our Key Stage 2 winners with 96.2%. Well done!

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 - Maggie-Coco and Jenson Afternoon - Milani and George	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Evie
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Louise	Class 8 - Miss Bones	Sienna G
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Caleb	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	George
Class 3 - Mr Key	Rosie-Mae	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Sam
Class 4 - Miss Brown	Owen and Edward	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Nyree
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Halle	Class 12 - Mrs Messore	Bella
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Oscar	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Kizzie
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Caitlyn

Nursery - Another fantastic week in Meithrin! We have continued our Big School Bird watch project this week and are having lots of fun! We have been singing nursery rhymes about birds, mark making the number of birds we have seen and drawing our favourite birds using lots of different materials and tools. Da Iawn! Have a wonderful weekend and see you next week! Diolch from all the Nursery staff! 😊

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Da iawn Dosbarth Un and Dau for another fantastic week! We have loved exploring more of our recycling topics - you really are climbing to sparkle! A reminder that books have been allocated to all pupils on Bug Club, we would be grateful if you could try to read regularly with your child. Please let us know if you need a reminder of login details or help logging in. Have a wonderful weekend!

Dosbarth 3 & 4 - What another great week in year 1! This week we have been writing our fact files on countries around the world and looking at direction in Maths. You also helped break a Guinness world record by singing 'Hei Mistar Urdd' for the 100th birthday of Urdd. Keep climbing to sparkle year 1 and we look forward to seeing you on Monday. Have a lovely weekend 😊

Dosbarth 5 & 6 - Bendigedig Dosbarth Pump and Chwech! What a successful week we have had! We have been busy meeting Rocco the dog, learning about recycling and adding ten and twenty to a number! Keep an eye on our Class Dojo and Twitter pages for updates. Have a lovely weekend 😊

Dosbarth 7 & 8 - Da iawn Dosbarth 7 & 8 for another fantastic week of learning! We have really enjoyed diving deeper into our Guardians of the Globe topic and starting our new book, The Lorax. A reminder that Kerbcraft begins on Monday, so please make sure children bring a coat to school. Don't forget to keep an eye on Dojo and Twitter for class updates. Diolch! Have a lovely weekend 😊

Dosbarth 9 & 10 - Da iawn Dosbarth 9 and 10. You are climbing to sparkle with everything that you do. Just a reminder for children to bring in recyclable materials for our science project. Remember to follow our Class Dojo and Twitter accounts to see what amazing work your children are completing in school. A polite reminder to complete online tasks and learning log tasks and send them to the class teacher. Have a wonderful weekend. Diolch from the Year 4 staff. 😊

Dosbarth 11 & 12 - Bendigedig dosbarth 11 and 12 for another fantastic week of learning. You have impressed us with your knowledge and the work that you have produced on our topic. We are hopefully going to be starting to use the climbing wall in the next few weeks so please look out on class dojo for updates. We

are also very lucky to be starting our Playmaker's award starting next Friday so children will need to wear their PE kits to school. Have a lovely weekend and keep safe.

Dosbarth 13 & 14 - A fantastic week in Year 6. Excellent work produced by the children within our new topics too! All swimming letters should now have been handed in ready for us to start in February, we are very excited. Remember to keep working on your learning logs this weekend as well as mymaths and bugclub. Have a great weekend everyone 😊

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School