

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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'Heio Chwefror'



Newsletter - 4th February 2022

This half term our value is: Understanding

"When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world"

Cylchlythyr - 4th February 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

We have such exciting opportunities ahead with the New Curriculum, it's driver being our learners and their futures. This video provides more information on how the Curriculum will work across Wales. [A new curriculum for Wales](#)



Welsh Government changes to Additional Learning Needs

Thank you for your responses regarding the new ALN bill, the link to the questionnaire is still available if anyone else would like to respond. A few responses said that they would like more information about certain aspects of the changes but, unfortunately these were anonymous. If you would like me to contact you regarding this information could you please let your child's class teacher know through class dojo's and I will be able to do so.

Vote of thanks to Noddfa Chapel

A huge thank you to Pastor Funnell and Noddfa for the donation of refurbished ipads to our children, we are very grateful for this kind donation, the ipads will be well used throughout the school.

Llanerch Colliery Disaster

Sunday 6th February will mark the 132nd anniversary of the Llanerch colliery disaster, where 176 men and boys lost their lives. Thanks to Pastor Funnell who led an assembly in remembrance of this today.

Half Term Wellbeing Camp

TORFAEN COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL **TORFAEN PLAY & SHORT BREAKS SERVICE**
Providing a variety of fun and interactive sessions in the heart of the community.

HALF TERM PLAY & WELLBEING CAMPS FEBRUARY 2022

FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 11 YEARS
10:00AM TO 3:00PM
Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd,
Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th

Blenheim Road Community Primary School
Blenheim Road, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 4SZ

Garnteg Primary School
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pontypool, NP4 7SJ

George Street Primary School
Wainfelin Road, Pontypool, NP4 6BX

Llantarnam Community Primary School
Llantarnam Road, Llantarnam, Cwmbran, NP44 3XB

Nant Celyn Primary School
Henllys Way, Cwmbran, NP44 7DJ

Penygam Community Primary School
Penygam Road, Pontypool, NP4 8JR

FREE OF CHARGE

A refillable drink & packed lunch must be provided

SPECIALIST RESPITE/SHORT BREAKS SESSIONS
(Specialist provision for children and young people with complex needs. These sessions are through referral process.)

Glenside Community Hall
Glenside, Cwmbran, NP44 1BN

Greenmeadow & St Dials Community Hall
(The Cockerel), Off Pandy, Greenmeadow, Cwmbran, NP44 4LA

For more information contact: torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE
To complete an expression of interest form please contact: torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk. Please note application for your child must be completed prior to attending.

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TORFAEN COUNTY BOROUGH **SWDUSTREF SIŊGL TORFAEN**

For Dads By Dads



11 week support programme for new and expectant dads

A wide range of topics will be covered, including:

- diet and nutrition
- gambling / gaming
- health and wellbeing
- psychology
- midwife and health visitor information and more!



Scan the QR code and complete the form to secure your place.

For more information call **07980682256** or email **Jacob.Guy@torfaen.gov.uk**

Torfaen Sports Development
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School Uniform

Garnteg School Uniform is now available from Balan Sports in Pontypool details below. A price list is available; please contact Balan Sports for details using the email address or telephone number listed below. We also have a copy in school we could email to you.

BALAN SPORTS

Uplands Farm, Off Oaklands Road, Sebastopol, Pontypool, Gwent. NP4 5DQ

Opening Hours: 9:00 am to 5:30 pm – Monday to Friday

Phone: 01495 763122 Fax: 01495 762425

Email: sales@balan-sports.co.uk

Web: www.balansports.com

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 70p – £3.00.



On Monday 14th February, in year groups KS2 will be holding a Valentine's Disco during the school day and on Tuesday 15th February Nursery & Foundation Phase will have their Valentine's Disco in year groups. Children will be able to wear their red clothes to celebrate Valentine's Day. All monies raised will be donated to Diabetes UK.

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.

Criw Cymraeg

On Friday 4th February (Dydd Gwener Chwefror 4) the pupils took part in Dydd Miwsig Cymraeg, where they found out about Welsh musical artists and Welsh language music. Mae Dydd Miwsig Cymru yn ffantasteg!

You will also notice that our Pupil of the Week has now been changed to "Seren yr Wythnos" which means "Star of the Week" in Welsh.

Playmaker's Award for Year 5

Year 5 learners in Dosbarth 11 and 12 are once again looking forward to working with our Sports Development Officer on the 11th of February in hope of achieving the Playmaker's Award.

Kerbcraft for Year 3

Kerb Craft sessions for our Year 3 learners (Classes 7 & 8) with our road safety officers will continue on Wednesday 16th and 17th February.

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 class teachers with details of pupil absence so we can record on our system.

Attendance Winners - 31st January - 4th February 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 2 who were our Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 96.4% and to Dosbarth 10 who were our Key Stage 2 winners with 93.6% Well done!

Seren Yr Wythnos

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	Morning - Isaac and Isabelle Afternoon - Joey and Ivy	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Sonny
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Mason	Class 8 - Miss Bones	Hayden

Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Ella	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	Esmae
Class 3 - Mr Key	Dayton	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Lily & Theo
Class 4 - Miss Brown	Rylie-Rose	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Ella
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Logan	Class 12 - Mrs Messoro	Amelia M
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Llewelyn	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Lily O
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Myleigh

Nursery - Da Iawn Meithrin for another wonderful week! You have all been super creative. We have been creating abstract pictures of different places in Wales, using lots of different tools! They look amazing! 😊 Keep climbing to sparkle! Have a lovely weekend and see you next week!

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Da iawn Dosbarth Un a Dau for another fantastic week! We have been practising our addition skills this week and you have all worked so hard to develop your reading skills. You have enjoyed being creative as part of our recycling themed topics and we are so proud of your perseverance and enthusiasm! A reminder to continue to log in to Bug Club and My Maths regularly. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 3 & 4 - Da iawn Dosbarth 3+4 for another lovely week! This week we have been learning about place value in teen numbers, finding the tens and ones in a number. We have practised making our writing exciting with adjectives, describing places all around the school, and we have been doing some research into Chinese new year and new year celebrations around the world. Bug club books have been updated for you this week, please let us know if you need any details! Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 5 & 6 - Bendigedig Dosbarth Pump and Chwech! What another successful week we have had! We have been busy meeting the caring canine dogs, learning about recycling and adding and subtracting multiples of 10! Dosbarth 5 will now be having PE on a Wednesday so children can wear their kits to school on this day. Keep an eye on our Class Dojo and Twitter pages for updates. Bug club books have been updated and My Maths activities have been set. Have a lovely weekend 😊

Dosbarth 7 & 8 - Bendigedig Dosbarth 7 & 8 for another fabulous week. We have really enjoyed our Kerbcraft sessions this week where we have learnt important road safety skills in our local community. We have also been busy in the classroom planning and writing our own speeches and learning more about eco warriors. Continue to keep an eye on Class Dojo and Twitter for updates. Diolch for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 9 & 10 - Ardderchog Blwydden Pedwar for another wonderful week of learning. We are so pleased with how you are all working hard on your mini projects in class. Also, please keep sending photos of your child's homework tasks via Class Dojo. We can display these on our 'WOW WORK' boards to show everyone what wonderful work you are completing at home. Have a lovely weekend. Diolch from Year 4 staff. 😊

Dosbarth 11 & 12 - Da lawn for another super week of learning pawb. We are really pleased with how you are developing your research and presentation skills in our new topic. The children displayed excellent teamwork today during the play work session-they can't wait for next week. Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Dosbarth 13 & 14 - Another fabulous week in Year 6. We really enjoyed meeting with Mr Collins and Mrs Strachen from Abersychan this week, please chat to your child about what they found out. If you or the children have any unanswered questions, please pass them on to Mrs Parker-Evans/Mr Phillips. We also look forward to starting swimming on Wednesday 2nd March. All pupils will need a suitable swimming costume/shorts, goggles and a towel. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School