

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 11th February 2022

This half term our value is: Understanding

"Mystery Creates wonder and wonder is the basis of man's desire to understand" Neil Armstrong.

Cylchlythyr - 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Deall

Important Dates for your diary

KS2 Valentine's Disco - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February

FP Valentine's Disco - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Half term is Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February

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

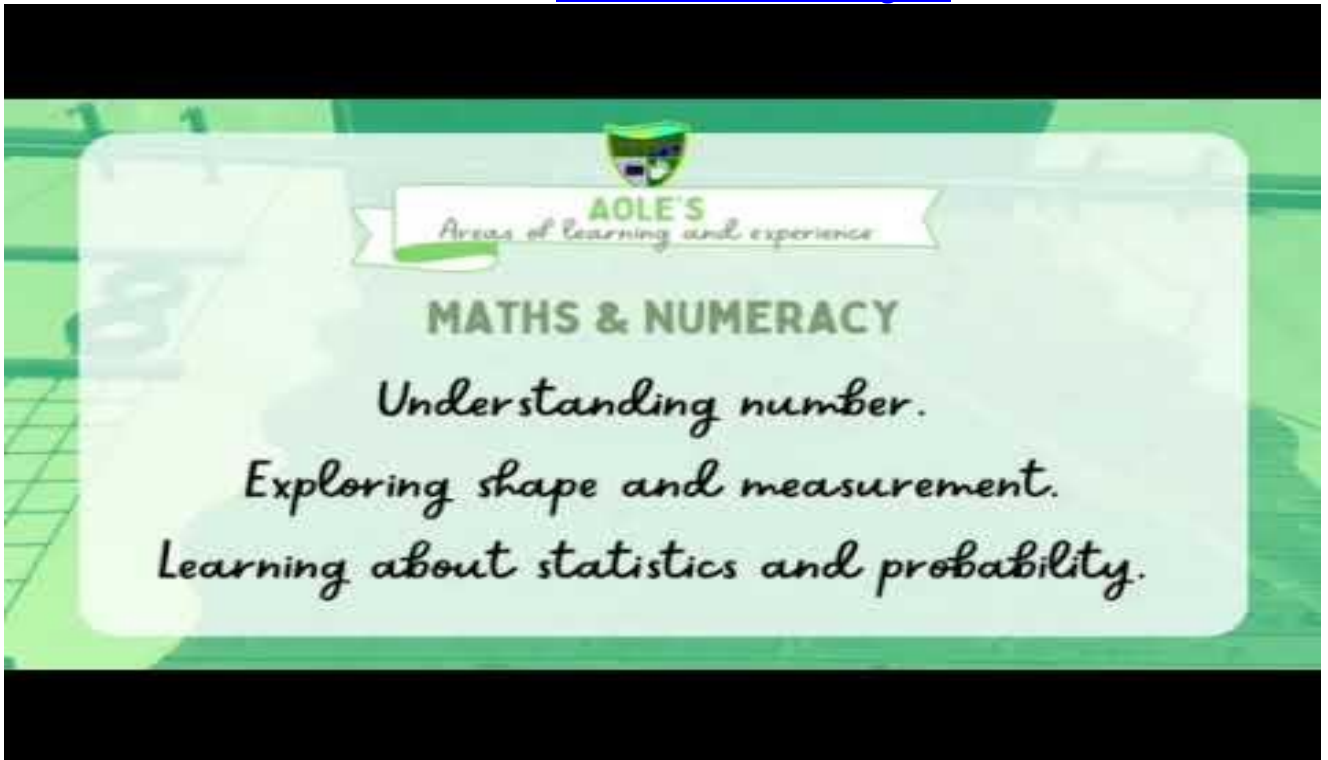
Inset day - 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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

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

New Curriculum for Wales 2022

This video has been created by the staff and pupils of Garnteg to explain exactly what the curriculum means for us. [Curriculum at Garnteg 22](#)



### 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.

### Half Term Wellbeing Camp

**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, Garmdiffaith, Pontypool, NP4 7SJ

**George Street Primary School**  
Wainfein 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

Muluogedd yn gynnal Families First

**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](mailto:torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk)

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

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## Support programme for new & Expectant Dads



# 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](mailto:Jacob.Guy@torfaen.gov.uk)

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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](mailto:sales@balan-sports.co.uk)

Web: [www.balansports.com](http://www.balansports.com)

## Valentines Events

### Message from School Council & Ambassadors



On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February, in year groups KS2 will be holding a Valentine's Disco during the school day and on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 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. Children will be able to buy

drinks and snacks during the disco. **We would also be grateful of £1 donations towards the disco as 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](https://edsp.co/app). If you are still unable to receive an LFT test for your child, Primary schools now have a supply of test available to be picked up from school.

## 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.

### 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 -7<sup>th</sup> February - 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 3 who were our Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 98.3% and to Dosbarth 14 who were our Key Stage 2 winners with 97.7%. Our overall attendance for the week was 93.8% - we are getting closer to the magic 95% Well done everyone!

### Seren Yr Wythnos

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos



Nursery - Mrs Attewell	Morning - Gracie and Koby Afternoon - Marcus and Makanaka	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Emelia
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Joshua	Class 8 - Miss Bones	Georgina
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	David	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	Shayleigh
Class 3 - Mr Key	Macey	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Halle
Class 4 - Miss Brown	Tomos P	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Dylan
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Faye	Class 12 - Mrs Messore	Indie
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Skilar	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Lana
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Liam

**Nursery** - Da Iawn Meithrin! We have had a lovely week in Nursery! We have been practising our tracing skills and creating pictures of Welsh dragons, daffodils and leeks. We have also made beautiful valentines' pictures for our family and friends. Bendigedig! Have a lovely weekend and we can't wait to see you on Monday!

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Da Iawn Dosbarth un + dau. This week they have worked super hard on their Eisteddfod entries. The artwork we have seen this week has been amazing and, the children have really enjoyed creating their surroundings independently.

Valentines Disco is on Tuesday, children can wear red on this day, and this will be instead of our pe day. Have a lovely weekend :)

**Dosbarth 3 & 4** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 3+4, what a fabulous week! You have been busy partitioning numbers into tens and ones, using adjectives and simile for description, using our fact writing skills and designing and creating your wonderful artwork for our school Eisteddfod! We hope you have a lovely weekend and a good rest, ready for our Valentines disco on Tuesday and an exciting week preparing for our Eisteddfod! Diolch!

**Dosbarth 5 & 6** - Bendigedig Class 5 and 6, we have had another fantastic week of learning! We have been busy working on our topic, Recycling is my Superpower and are continuing our Eisteddfod preparations in readiness for our Eisteddfod after half term! We will be having our Valentine's Day disco on Tuesday; children are invited to wear their Valentine's Day clothes. Have a lovely weekend 😊

**Dosbarth 7 & 8** - Da iawn Dosbarth 7 & 8, we have had a fantastic week. We have really enjoyed planning, creating and evaluating our individual projects based around how we can help save the planet and are continuing to work on our entries ready for the Eisteddfod. Thanks for your continued support, have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 9 & 10** - Ardderchog Dosbarth 9 & 10 for another successful week of learning. You have all been climbing to sparkle when completing the exciting tasks. We have loved our Eisteddfod project and we look forward to seeing the final products of what you create. Just a reminder that children are invited to wear their Valentine's Day clothing to school on Monday. We will be holding a Valentines disco on Monday and will be taking part in some Valentine's Day party games too. Have a wonderful weekend. Wrap up warm. Diolch from the Year 4 staff. 😊

**Dosbarth 11 & 12** -Wow, what another fantastic week of learning-you are showing you skills across all areas of the curriculum. We would really appreciate any fabric for example old pillowcases, duvets, or material for

the children to use as part of our reduce and reuse project. We are so proud of how well the children displayed excellent behaviour and teamwork during the play work award sessions. Information about the half term project for the Eisteddfod craft will be announced on class dojo. Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

**Dosbarth 13 & 14** - Another great week in Year 6, you have shown dedication and model behaviour, da iawn! We have lots of exciting upcoming events in Year 6, This week you will have received letters for swimming and crucial crew, please get these signed and returned ASAP.

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School