

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 8th April 2022

This half term our value is: Respect



Cylchlythyr - 8th April 2022

Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Parch

Important Dates for your diary

Summer Term begins - Monday 25th April

Additional Jubilee Day - 29th April 2022

MAY DAY MONDAY - 2ND MAY

Inset day - 27th May 2022

Inset days - 21st and 22nd July 2022

New curriculum Launch Day - Friday 17th June

Inset days - 2nd & 5th September 2022

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

COVID GUIDANCE FROM 08.04.22 ONWARDS INTO THE SUMMER TERM

The separate Covid guidelines for schools, colleges, and special schools remain in place. The next three-week review of Covid regulations will take place around the 14th April and we will write to you if and when there are any further changes.

The following core measures should remain in place to protect learners and staff:

- All staff and learners should be reminded to follow the [Welsh Government guidance for self-isolation](#).
- Staff and learners should not attend school if they have any COVID-19 symptoms. If a staff member or learner becomes symptomatic, they should get a test as soon as possible and should self-isolate until the outcome of the test. [Further guidance](#) is available.
- Regular handwashing, and respiratory etiquette (Catch it, Bin it, Kill it) are key interventions to prevent spread and manage cases, incidents & outbreaks.

Easter Celebrations

Thank you for supporting our Easter headgear and craft parade, once again the entries were outstanding, and the children really enjoyed the celebration. Also, a big thankyou to the School Council & Ambassadors for organising the annual Easter egg hunt, it was EGGCELLENT and all the children thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of finding eggs in our school grounds!

'DJ 4 a Day'

Dosbarth 11 would like to thank DJ Susie Webb and SW20 for the fantastic opportunity we were given at taking part in the 'DJ 4 a Day' radio project. The children really enjoyed finding out about the history of the radio and how the different equipment worked. In the children's words 'the best bit was going into the actual SW20 radio studio to perform the 2-hour show.' We hope to work with you again soon.

Easter Family Night Disco

An Easter Family Night Disco with an easter bonnet parade for families, will be held at the Millenium Hall, on Saturday 16th of April, its tickets only, but the tickets are free. Tickets to be collected from the Millennium Hall.

Car Parking at Millenium Hall

We have received complaints from residents with regards to anti-social parking on Top Road. Driveways are being blocked and residents are unable to get into their homes. The Millennium Hall Car Park is open for parent parking, and we are asking parents to use this whenever possible. Police patrols have been in operation this week and will continue until this problem is rectified.

Change of Contact Details

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

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.

Medication

If your child needs to be given medication through the day, please can you complete a medication consent form at the office. We can also only accept medication which has been prescribed by a doctor or pharmacist.

Attendanc

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.

Pupils arriving late

Registers are taken at 9.00am and registration is closed at 9.30am.

Pupils arriving late after registration has closed will be marked as unauthorised. Lateness is also monitored by the Education Welfare Officer

Attendance Winners - 4th April - 8th April 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 2 who were our Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 93.9% and to Dosbarth 11 who were our Key Stage 2 winners for this week with 96.7%. **Overall attendance this year from Year1-6 is 90.97%**

Universal Primary Free School Meals Survey

Please click on the link below to complete a short survey from Torfaen Schools Catering in preparation for the introduction of Free School Meals to Primary Pupils.

Dear Parent/Carer

Welsh Government has recently announced the 'Universal Primary Free School Meals' programme, which will support educational attainment and child nutrition, alongside local food production and distribution, benefiting local economies.

From September 2022 the rollout of this programme will commence, starting within the infant year groups initially before moving onto Junior pupils. Although all the dates are not yet known we are already reviewing our service to ensure we are prepared to provide the best possible service to your child/ren.

To assist us in this preparation we would be grateful if you could complete this short survey.

<https://forms.gle/1sX4KbecbtQ5TsDk8> - English

<https://forms.gle/tTszUM9puivSqmg8> - Welsh

Many Thanks

The Torfaen Schools Catering Team

Seren Yr Wythnos

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	Morning - Jenson and Darcie- Leigh Afternoon - Adaleigh and Darcie	Class 7 - Miss Williams	Charlie
Class 1 - Mrs Ngwenya	Darcie	Class 8 - Miss Bones	Abigail
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Grace	Class 9 - Mrs Lewis	Oliver K
Class 3 - Mr Key	Darcey	Class 10 - Miss Paske	Laurence
Class 4 - Miss Brown	Gracie-May	Class 11 - Mrs Rogers	Harry
Class 5 - Mrs Lee	Maximus	Class 12 - Mrs Messore	Amelia G
Class 6 - Miss Carroll	Freya	Class 13 - Mrs Parker- Evans	Travis
		Class 14 - Mr Phillips	Nathan

Nursery - Da iawn Meithrin, what another fantastic term we have had. We have been so busy creating beautiful pieces of work for our topic 'A Nursery Rhyme World'. You have been fantastic friends to our new starters who have settled in so well this week. Our new topic for summer term is all about aspirations and 'When I grow up, I want to be...' We are so excited to hear about your ideas. Have a lovely Easter, we look forward to welcoming you back 🌟👋

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - An amazing spring term Derbyn! We are very proud of your work ethic this term and our recycling topic has taught us so much! We have really enjoyed 'Helping Our World'. We hope you keep up your brilliant recycling at home through the summer term too! Our next topic is all about ambitions and we can't wait to see what your ideas will be! Have a wonderful, thoroughly deserved Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all in the Summer term!

Dosbarth 3 & 4 - What a fantastic Spring term you have had Dosbarth 3 & 4. You have learned so much during our topic "Around the world in 62 days"! We look forward to starting our new topic in the Summer Term and seeing what else we will learn about. PE day will continue to be on a Wednesday and a friendly reminder that on this day, no crop tops are worn please. We hope you all have a lovely Easter holiday and look forward to welcoming you back in the Summer term!

Dosbarth 5 & 6 - Da iawn dosbarth 5&6 for an amazing spring term! We have loved learning about the environment through our topic "recycling is our superpower". Next term our topic is based all around aspirations - we can't wait to hear your ideas! Just a reminder, please can children wear appropriate clothing for PE i.e., tracksuit bottoms, leggings, t shirts, hoodies (no crop tops please) Have a lovely Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in the Summer Term 😊

Dosbarth 7 & 8 - Gwaith da Blwyddyn Tri for the fabulous work produced this term during our topic 'Guardians of the Globe.' 🌍 We look forward to starting our new topic '**If you can dream it, you can do it**' in the Summer Term, we can't wait to hear all about your dreams and aspirations ☆ Just a reminder, please can children wear appropriate clothing for PE i.e., tracksuit bottoms, leggings, t shirts, hoodies (no crop tops or denim shorts) Have a lovely Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in the Summer Term 😊

Dosbarth 9 & 10 - Ardderchog Dosbarth 9 & 10 for a fantastic term full of learning. We are so proud of you all and the quality of work you have produced for our topic 'We've got the write to grow.' Next term our topic is based all around aspirations and our topic name will be 'Stay ambitious and keep going.' Over the Easter holidays, please could you research what ambitious means to them and what types of things they would like to learn about in our topic. Just a reminder, please can children wear appropriate clothing for PE i.e., tracksuit bottoms, leggings, t shirts, hoodies (no crop tops or denim shorts). Have a lovely Easter break from Year 4 staff. 😊

Dosbarth 11 & 12 Bendedegid Pawb for a fantastic term in which you all produced some excellent work as part of our topic. In dosbarth 11 we really enjoyed the 'DJ 4 A Day' project. We are looking forward to beginning our new topic 'Don't stop believing' where the children will be given the opportunity to discuss their aspirations for the future. Please could you discuss with the children what having aspirations and ambition means to them. Have a lovely Easter from Year 5 staff.

Dosbarth 13 & 14 - What a fabulous end to an amazing term, our world street food market was a roaring success, and we made an incredible profit of £346! You should be so immensely proud of yourselves. We wish you a wonderful and well-deserved rest over easter before you return for your final term at Garnteg!

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School