

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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**Her Majesty  
Queen Elizabeth II**

**12<sup>th</sup> April 1926 -  
8<sup>th</sup> September 2022**



**Newsletter - 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**This half term our value is: Co-operation**



Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so much.

-Helen Keller

**Cylchlythyr - 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Yr hanner tymor hwn ein gwerth yw: Cydweithrediad**

**Important Dates for your diary**

Bank holiday Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September school closed to all pupils

Harvest Celebrations at Nodffa Church - Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September time at 11.00am

Harvest Celebrations at School - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Closing date for Applications for Nursery - 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Inset day - 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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

### **HRH Queen Elizabeth II**

Following the sad passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, we have been provided with some information from the Local Authority.

**Schools across Torfaen will close next Monday for the state funeral of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. The State Funeral of Her Majesty the Queen takes place at Westminster Abbey on Monday 19 September, from 11am.**

**The UK government has announced that the day will be treated as a bank holiday.**

### **Books of Condolence:**

- There are three official Books of Condolence which will be at Civic Centre, Cwmbran Library and Blaenavon World Heritage Centre. The Books of Condolences will be available to the public at the normal opening times for these facilities. These will be available to sign up until the day after Her Majesty's funeral at which point the books will be sent to the Palace.
- Pontypool Park's memorial gates (opposite Civic Centre) has been identified as a site to place flowers.

Any further details or information that will have an impact on schools will be updated as we receive it.

### **Harvest celebrations at Noddfa Church and at School**



**Please come and join us at Noddfa on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am for Harvest Celebrations.**

**At Garnteg School we are very proud of our community links. As a school we support Noddfa Church, who run a popular food bank giving support to families in need. Below**

is a list of items needed, if you wish to donate, please send your donations in with your child next week, in readiness for our Harvest Celebrations on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Whatever you can donate will make a difference to the families and will support Noddfa Church and their wonderful causes.

### Noddfa Church Food Bank Stock Needs

Cleaning Supplies; Washing powder/capsules; Fabric Softener; Washing up liquid/sponges; Dog/cat food; Baby Products (wipes, shampoo, bubble bath, lotion, nappy cream); Nappies (all sizes); Pasta sauces, curry sauces, Tinned meats; Dried pasta and tinned goods.

### After school Clubs 2022-23

We are really pleased to announce that our after school clubs will be back up and running after a long break for both FP and KS2. Look out for information on the range of clubs pupils have chosen this year. Information and return forms will be sent out to those interested, the clubs will start week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022

### Applications for Nursery September 2023

Parents are reminded that the closing date for nursery admissions for September 2023 is 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

If parents have not received an application form one can be obtained by contacting the Education Department on 01495 766915.

### Curriculum for Wales 2022

We are excited to say the curriculum for Wales is now statutory across Wales. Find out more here. <https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales>

### [Wales winter fuel support scheme 2022-23](#)

Welsh Government support for households to help with the pressures of living costs. Eligible households can claim a one-off £200 cash payment from their local authority. The money is to provide support towards paying winter fuel bills. This is in addition to the winter fuel payment offered by the UK Government.

The payment will be available to all eligible energy customers regardless of how they pay for fuel. This includes payments made on a pre-payment meter, by direct debit, paid quarterly or for those who use off-grid fuel.

The aim of the Welsh Government fuel support scheme is to reduce the impact of the rising cost of energy and the cost-of-living crisis.

The scheme will be open to households where an applicant is in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits:

- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit
- Working Tax Credits
- Child Tax Credits
- Pension Credit
- Personal Independence Payment (PIP)
- Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
- Attendance Allowance
- Carers Allowance
- Contributory Benefits
- Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS)

Applicants must also be responsible for paying the energy bills for the property. Applications can be made to local authorities via their website when the scheme opens on 26 September 2022.

### Cariad Coed

Please see below a link giving information about Cariad Coed - a week long programme of nature and arts activities that Head4Arts is delivering in Pontypool Park for Great Big Green Week. All of the activities are free (although there is a fee for anyone who wishes to submit artwork for the En Plein Air - which is being organised separately through ArtREGEN). Pre-booking is required for some of the activities, this can be done via Eventbrite - further information and booking links can be found on our website [The Great Big Green Week - Head4Arts](https://www.garntegprimary.co.uk/media/1681/cariad-coed-a4-programme-002.pdf)

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### Attendance Winners - 12<sup>th</sup> September - 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022



**Congratulations to Dosbarth 2 who were Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 96.7%% and to Dosbarth 10 who were Key Stage 2 winners for this week with 99%. Well done! Overall attendance for the week is 93%**

**Seren Yr Wythnos**

| <b>Foundation Phase</b>        |  | <b>Key Stage 2</b>                 |                         |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Class</b>                   | <b>Seren Yr Wythnos</b>                  | <b>Class</b>                       | <b>Seren Yr Wythnos</b> |
| <b>Nursery - Mrs Attewell</b>  | Morning - Eva-Lily<br>Afternoon - Oliver | <b>Class 7 - Mrs Rogers</b>        | Jaydee                  |
| <b>Class 1 - Mr Tully</b>      | Tabitha                                  | <b>Class 8 - Miss Jones</b>        | Tyler-Luke              |
| <b>Class 2 - Miss Brooks</b>   | Nancy                                    | <b>Class 9 - Mr Phillips</b>       | Amelia                  |
| <b>Class 3 - Miss Brown</b>    | Joseph                                   | <b>Class 10 - Mrs Lewis</b>        | Sophie                  |
| <b>Class 4 - Mrs Lee</b>       | Lewis                                    | <b>Class 11 - Mrs Messoro</b>      | Isabella                |
| <b>Class 5 - Mr Key</b>        | Lavanah                                  | <b>Class 12 - Miss Bones</b>       | Corie                   |
| <b>Class 6 - Miss Williams</b> | Skylah-Rae                               | <b>Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans</b> | Amelia                  |

**Nursery** - Da Iawn Meithrin for a wonderful week in Nursery. 'Mr Potato Head' has been teaching us all about our classroom rules and how to be a good friend 😊 Our topic this half term is 'Me and My World.' Next Thursday Nursery are invited to wear outfits to show 'This is Me.' This can be any hobbies they attend, e.g. Football or something they like, cartoons they watch or favourite colours. We are super excited to see what you wear 😊 Enjoy your long weekend! Nursery Team.

**Dosbarth 1 & 2** - Bendigedig Dosbarth 1&2 we are all settling in well to our new classroom routines and becoming more independent each day. This week we have smiled bigger and brighter earning dojos around the classroom for hard work and co-operation. We are enjoying our topics with opportunities to share with new and familiar friend's class. Da Iawn Blant!

**Dosbarth 3** Bendigedig Dosbarth 3! We have had a fantastic week of learning where we have completed our first pieces of work in our books this week. You have wowed us with your hard work and determination. A friendly reminder that PE days will be on a Wednesday and the children can wear sports clothing to school on this day. We would also like to thank you for your support with your children's spellings. Have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 4 & 5** - Wow Dosbarth 4+5! We have had another fantastic week in Year 2. We have continued to share our topic ideas for our 'Lights, Camera, Action', exploring our ideas and questions in more detail and creating our own posters. We have been practising recording our own data and independently uploading our work online to share with the class! Da iawn for our wonderful home learning challenges so far, our learning log is uploaded to class dojo in addition to our spelling words.

**Dosbarth 6 & 7** – Bendedig pawb for a fantastic week of learning-you have impressed us with your work on our topic 'Incredible inventors and Marvellous Minds.' Just a quick reminder that the children can bring water bottles into school to use in class. Please could you ensure that the children bring in suitable coats clearly labelled with their names as the weather is changing. Also, spellings are given out on a Friday and the test is on the following week. Homework log tasks have been given out and posted on class dojo-we look forward to seeing the work. Lastly please encourage the children to log on to their bug club for reading and My Maths for practise. Have a lovely weekend.

**Dosbarth 8 & 9**- Gwaith da, Dosbarth 8 and 9. Well done for a lovely week in Year 4. It was great to see you working so well and enjoying your tasks this week. Homework logs have been uploaded this week and tasks have been set on My Maths and Bug Club. PE days will be Tuesday and Thursday for Miss Jones' class and Wednesday and Thursday for Mr Phillips' class. Pupils can wear PE kits to school on their PE days. Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you back in class on Tuesday.

**Dosbarth 10 & 11** – Da iawn Blwydden pedwar for another successful week. We have loved seeing you working with the tasks and coming up with ways to set out your work creatively. Just a reminder to keep up to date with Class Dojo, just to be informed of any news or information. Have a lovely weekend. Diolch 😊

**Dosbarth 12 & 13** – Da iawn for another fantastic week of learning in Blwyddyn 6. Our first swimming sessions went brilliantly this week and we have also had the pleasure of working with DJ Susie and Caring Canines. A reminder that our visit to Blaenavon Heritage Centre for The Townscape Celebration Exhibition is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, this will be during the school day. A reminder that children can wear PE kits to school on Fridays. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo for updates. Have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School**