

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 28th October 2022

Value for next term is Thoughtful

"JUST ONE SMALL POSITIVE
THOUGHT IN THE MORNING
CAN CHANGE YOUR WHOLE
DAY."

DALAI LAMA

Cylchlythyr - 28th October 2022

Gwerth at y tymor nesaf: Meddylgar

Important Dates for your diary

Half term starts Friday 28th October 2022

School starts back on Monday 7th November

Remembrance Day Parade - Sunday 13th November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,
Annwyl Rhieni a gofalwyr

Pupil Absence

In the event of your child being absent please telephone/email the school office before 9.30am. All absences will be recorded as unauthorised unless a message is received via telephone/email or class dojo.

Registration

The school doors are open for registration at 8.50am, registration is at 9am, pupils arriving after 9am will be marked as "Late".

Registration closes at 9.15 am after that time 'Late' becomes an unauthorised absence and could be referred to the Education Welfare Officer.

A recurrence of late marks throughout any week will also be referred to the Education Welfare Officer.

Please do not hesitate to contact school or the Education Welfare Officer if you have any concerns.

October Safety Notice from Gwent Police

If pupils are going out "trick or treating" please ask them to look out for and respect "no callers please" signs that some residents may be displaying in their windows. To keep safe young people should always stay in a group, be accompanied by an adult and only go to houses where they know the residents. Please act responsibly and sensibly so as not to cause alarm or distress to members of the community and for everybody to have a safe and enjoyable time.

We appreciate you accessing the class dojo app for updates and to deliver school messages or homework and celebrate you Child's achievements. However, please be mindful of the appropriate use of this system and the school times to use it as all are monitored by the school. Class Dojo messaging is NOT a forum to share excessive requests, personal opinions or outside incidents with our Garnteg staff outside of schools hours, it is not a social media forum and therefore we ask all users to be respectful and mindful and all correspondence remain at a professional polite manner. Teaching staff will only be available at times stated as the day time is teaching time for our pupils.

For more formal enquiries, absences and appointments please contact the school office

It is always our aim to both respect and protect our whole school community

Thankyou for supporting us in this matter in advance.

Fostering in Torfaen



Cydweithio i adeiladu gwell dyfodol I blant lleol. Working together to build better futures for local children.

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maethu cymru foster wales

TORFAEN COUNTY BOROUGH
#WRDEISTREF SIROL TORFAEN

Torfaen need to recruit many more foster families in order to meet the demand within the borough and to be able to match foster families to the needs of the child or young person. Torfaen are encouraging local people to think about fostering and get in touch to find out more.

Half Term Play and Wellbeing Camp

The Play Service are delivering Play and Wellbeing Camps during October Half Term. The dates the camp is running are on Monday 31st October, Tuesday 1st November, Wednesday 2nd November and Thursday 3rd November, the times are 10:00am-3:00pm.

Please note, this is not a childcare service but is free play and wellbeing opportunities for children aged 5-11 years.

This half term Torfaen Play are working with Torfaen Catering to offer a packed lunch for all the children attending, if requested via the link, or children have the option to bring in a packed lunch from home.

Parents/carers click on the link below to register an interest in the camp. We only have 50 spaces available including the 10 priority pupils.

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

Half Term Play & Wellbeing Camps

October 2022

FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 11 YEARS
10:00AM TO 3:00PM

Monday 31st October
Tuesday 1st November
Wednesday 2nd November
Thursday 3rd November

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

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

Torfaen Play are providing an optional packed lunch, FREE OF CHARGE!
These must be pre booked during the application process.
A refillable drink must be provided.

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.

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

SPECIALIST PLAY & RESPITE 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

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 @torfaenplayservice torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk



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>

Poppy Appeal 2022



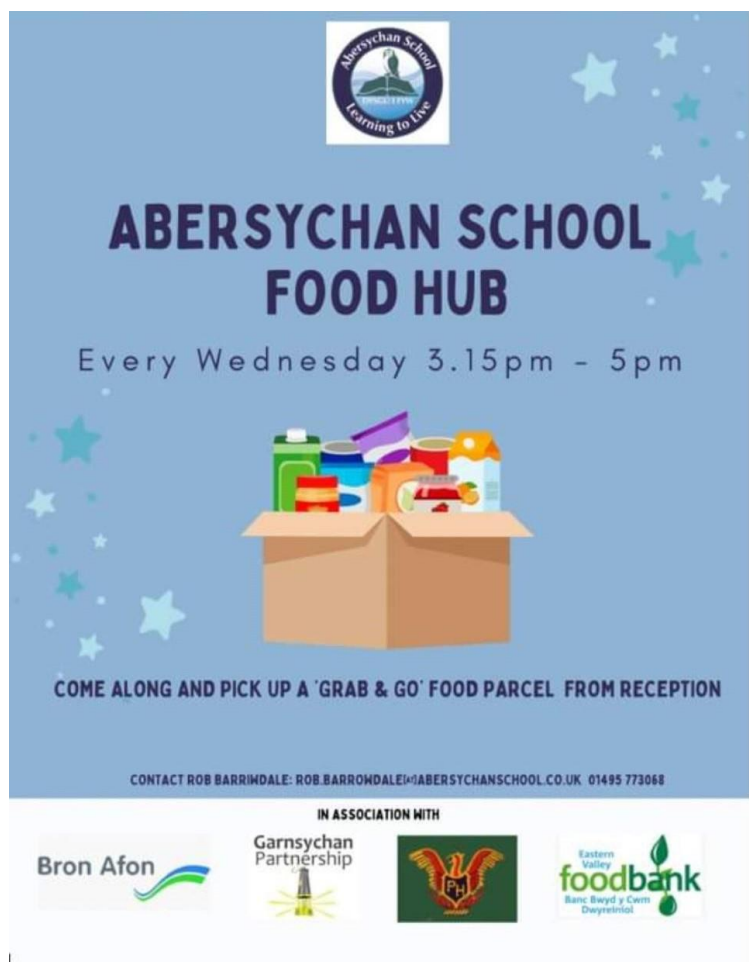
The Annual Remembrance Parade in Blaenavon will be held on Sunday 13th November this year and will commence at 10.45 from the car park at the top of Broad St; after the parade our pupils will be laying a wreath at the Memorial Garden.

There will be a range of merchandise on sale in school after half term to raise funds for this year's Poppy Appeal. We thank you all in advance for your donations.

Breakfast Club

Reminder - Breakfast club doors will be closed at 8:50am.

Abersychan School Food Hub



The poster features the Abersychan School logo at the top left, which includes a tree and the motto 'Learning to Live'. The main title 'ABERSYCHAN SCHOOL FOOD HUB' is in large, bold, dark blue letters. Below it, the text 'Every Wednesday 3.15pm - 5pm' is displayed. In the center is an illustration of an open cardboard box filled with various food items like cans, jars, and packets. At the bottom, it says 'COME ALONG AND PICK UP A 'GRAB & GO' FOOD PARCEL FROM RECEPTION'. Contact information for Rob Barrowdale is provided at the bottom left. The bottom section of the poster lists partners: Bron Afon, Garnsychan Partnership, a crest with 'P.P.', and Eastern Valley foodbank with the Welsh text 'Banc Bwyd y Cwm Dwyreiniol'.

ABERSYCHAN SCHOOL
FOOD HUB

Every Wednesday 3.15pm - 5pm

COME ALONG AND PICK UP A 'GRAB & GO' FOOD PARCEL FROM RECEPTION

CONTACT ROB BARRINDALE: ROB.BARROWDALE@ABERSYCHANSCHOOL.CO.UK 01495 773068

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

Bron Afon

Garnsychan Partnership

Eastern Valley foodbank
Banc Bwyd y Cwm Dwyreiniol

Christmas Pantomime at Workmen's Hall Blaenavon



Attendance Winners - 24th October - 27th October 2022



Congratulations to Dosbarth 4 who were Foundation Phase attendance winners this week with 92.9% and to Dosbarth 8 who were Key Stage 2 winners for this week with 92.7%. Well done to these classes. Overall attendance for the week is 87.7%. We need to strive to reach our target of 95%!

Seren Yr Wythnos

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	Morning - Gracie Afternoon - Caden	Class 7 - Mrs Rogers	Charlie
Class 1 - Mr Tully	Patrick	Class 8 - Miss Jones	
Class 2 - Miss Brooks		Class 9 - Mr Phillips	Mila
Class 3 - Miss Brown	Whole Class	Class 10 - Mrs Lewis	Tom
Class 4 - Mrs Lee		Class 11 - Mrs Messori	Sybella
Class 5 - Mr Key	Edward	Class 12 - Miss Bones	Ava
Class 6 - Miss Williams	Jamie	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Mya

Nursery - A big well done to everyone for a wonderful half term. You have all settled in well and we are very proud of you. We have loved getting to know you and you have all climbed to sparkle! Thank you for all your hard work! After half term we will be making poppies out of junk materials to celebrate Remembrance Day. Please can you bring in empty pop bottles and egg cartons. Thank you! Enjoy your week off and stay safe. 😊

Dobarth 1 & 2 - A fantastic first half of the autumn term Reception/ Year 1, we are so proud to see how you have settled into our classrooms and take on new and exciting challenges every day! Have a spooky half term, I know you will after seeing those fantastic costumes today! Gwaith da for all your hard work give yourselves a hip... hip... Hooray! Stay safe and we will all see you back in school November 7th.

Dosbarth 3 Dosbarth 3 you have had an amazing start to your time in blwyddyn 1 and we are wowed with all your hard work. You certainly all deserve to be Seren Yr Wythnos this week! Remember to stay safe during half term with spooky activities and Bonfire night but most importantly remember to have fun! Enjoy your week off and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on November 7th.

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Da iawn Dosbarth 4+5 for another super week, and a wonderful first half term! We have been very proud of you all for your super work this week, particularly writing, peer assessing and improving your stories and diaries over the last few days. We hope you have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing you all soon! Stay safe and enjoy your week!

Dosbarth 6 & 7 -Benedgedig pawb for a fantast first half term we have learnt so many new skills and found out lots information about inventions. You have impressed us with our hard work. We want you to enjoy your week off with your families and make wonderful memories. See you all on the 7th of November.

Dosbarth 8 & 9 - Well I can't believe we have come to the end of our first half term of the school year! It has gone by so quickly and all the staff would like to thank you for all your hard work. You all have truly sparkled and deserve your half term break. Enjoy your week off school and we look forward to seeing you back in the classroom on Monday 7th November. Enjoy bonfire night too but make sure you all keep safe!

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - A huge well done to year 5, for all the hard work they have done in class this half term! We have had such a busy few weeks, using the climbing wall, having fun with Torfaen Play, meeting Pam and her dogs, having an assembly in the hall with Pastor Funnell and so much more in class! Have a lovely week off and enjoy.

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - Well done Year 6 for settling in so well to the first term of Year 6. We are so proud of you, and you have all climbed to sparkle. We have had such a busy term with Dj Suzie, Rocco and Keto, and have enjoyed our swimming lessons so far. We hope you all have a wonderful and safe half term enjoying spooky activities and fireworks.

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School