

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 16th June 2023

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Value for this term is Courage



Gwerth y tymor hwn: Dewrder

Important Dates for your diary

Sports Days

Wednesday 21st June - Sports Day Yr 1,2, and 3 Classes 3,4,5,6,7

Wednesday 28th June - Sports Day Yrs 4,5 and 6 Classes 8,9,10,11,12,13

Tuesday 20th June - Class Photographs will be taken



Thursday 22nd June - Y4 (SC) Class Performance at 1:30pm

Friday 23rd June 2023 - Y4 (AP) Class Performance at 1:30pm

Nursery Intake information sharing event on Tuesday 27th June at 9:30pm

Reception Intake information sharing event on Tuesday 27th June at 1:30pm

Thursday 29th June - Nursery concert 9:30am & 1:30pm

Thursday 13th July & Friday 14th July - Y6 leavers 1:30pm

Remaining INSET DAYS

Friday 21st July 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	NOTES
JUNE				1	2	3 Half Term ends	4	
	5	6	7 Year 4 Taster day at Abersychan Year 6 residential	8 Year 6 residential	9	10	11	Half Term 29.05.23 to 02.06.23 Return to school 05.06.23
	12 Year 5 Big Pit	13	14 Progression step 1 Sports Day Class 9 Cardiff Castle	15 F1 St Fagans	16	17	18	Wellbeing Camp 30/05/23 - 1/6/23
	19 Year 6 transition day at Abersychan	20 Class Photos	21 Progression step 2 Sports Day	22 Miss Channing year 4 concert	23 Mr Phillips year 4 concert	24	25	Sponsored Read event - Whole School 20.06.23
	26 Year 6 transition day at Abersychan	27	28 Progression step 3 Sports Day	29 Nursery concert 9:30 Nursery concert 1:30	30 Year 5 Blenheim Bomber Walk			

Transition events with Abersychan School - further details to follow

Monday 19th or Monday 26th June - Year 6 Taster days at Abersychan (dates to be confirmed)

Wednesday 5th July - Year 6 Moving Up day followed by Parents Evening at Abersychan

UPFSM Applications are now Live:

There are two forms this year - please see below. The form also acts as the gateway for parents to access additional grants for clothing. Special diet information is also collected on these forms to ensure that we are aware of any dietary requirements pupils have to ensure they are provided with a safe and nutritious meal.

Reception and pupils new to the area for the September 2023 Reception pupils plus anyone new to the school to complete.

Reception & New to the area:

https://iweb.itouchvision.com/portal/itouchvision/r/customer/category_link?cuid=BFA177CA3BCD46AD88E0534F500A8COBEDOADD2C&lang=EN&P_LANG=en

Pupils moving into year groups 4, 5 and 6 in September 2023.

Years 4, 5 & 6:

https://iweb.itouchvision.com/portal/itouchvision/r/customer/category_link?cuid=FDf363242619D121B744E0543185A401A8C00D05&lang=EN&P_LANG=en

Nursery Admissions September 2024

Parents should be aware that the closing date for nursery admissions for September 2024 is 21st July at 12.00 noon. If parents have not received an application form, one can be obtained by contacting the Education Service on school.admissions@torfaen.gov.uk

New Beginnings Staff News Year 5 Class 10

Mrs Lewis will be starting her maternity leave on Monday 19th June. Mrs Ngwenya & Mrs Davies will be covering this leave until the end of term. We wish her all the very best.

Nursery & Reception Intake September 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery and Reception intake for September 2023. We have scheduled an intake programme to provide as much information as possible to support a smooth transition for your child - please check your emails and the school website for updates over the coming weeks.

If your child has been allocated a place at Garnteg Nursery you will receive an email with key information on **Friday 23rd of June** - please check your emails and the school website for updates over the coming weeks.

We look forward to meeting parents and carers at our information sharing event on **Tuesday 27th June** at the following times. Teams from Torfaen Catering, School Health, Sparkle and Pretty Miss will also be available at this event and teas and coffees will be provided.

9:30am for **Nursery** intake parents / carers

1:30pm for **Reception** intake parents / carers

Your child will be invited into their Nursery / Reception class for our School Move Up Day on **Wednesday 5th of July 2023.**

Sports Day 2023

We are looking forward to seeing Parents / Carers for our Progression Step 2 and 3 Sports Day events this year. There will be a BBQ and stalls to support fundraising for our school. Please bring your own rugs / chairs for comfortable watching. NB All dates are weather permitting. **Parents / Carers will be given access to the field area at 1:00 for prompt starts.**

Sponsored Read

We would like to thank all parents/carers, friends/family for their generous donations that have been handed in for our sponsored read! **On Tuesday 20th June 2023** we are holding a Big Read event in school where the children can celebrate and discuss any books they have read over the sponsor period.

In the classes children will be completing reading activities such as treasure hunt, wordsearch, reading and many more to celebrate their love for reading.

We look forward to hearing about all the literature the children have read, and certificates will be awarded.



Keeping Safe Online

There are resources available on HWB around online safety. Please see the link below which will take you to the HWB site - under the Keeping Safe Online icon there is also information on Online bullying, Online grooming as well as Data Privacy and online consent, cybercrime and online safety. Once you click into the links the information is broken into area for practitioners, families and governors which is useful and gives Welsh government guidance and extra modules. I hope you find this useful to share with your children ensuring they know how to keep safe online.

Keeping safe online - Hwb (gov.wales)

A screenshot of a webpage titled 'Advice for children and young people'. The page has a light grey background with a purple header. The main content area is white with a purple border. It features a 'Learn more >' button in a purple box. The background of the page is decorated with colorful cartoon illustrations of children and adults interacting with technology and each other. The text on the page reads: 'Advice for children and young people' in red, followed by 'This area has been created so you know what to do and where to turn for help if you have any online issues or worries.' in blue.

Caring Canines

Caring Canines who visit our school weekly with their wellbeing dogs are holding the following competition if pupils would like to enter.



Caring Canines

Well-being dog sessions in Schools / Care Homes / Assisted Living Centres / the Workplace / bespoke 1 to 1 sessions
find us on FB and Twitter (Caring Canines Cymru)

Contact Juliet Roberts on 07943818355 / Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com

Story Competition

Write a short story about a dog(s) and WIN a free Caring Canines Session with one of our gorgeous pooches.

There will be 3 age categories: 7 years and under / 8 to 11 years / 12 years to 16

Entries should be mailed to Juliet@caringcaninescymru.com OR taken to your school who will contact the Team and we will collect them.

Closing date will be Friday 30th June 2023

The winning story will be shared on FB

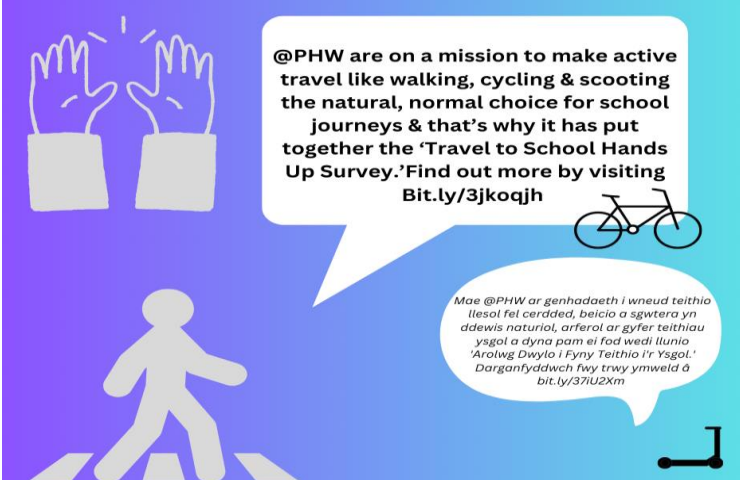


Active travel

Public Health Wales will be shortly rolling out the national Travel to School Hands Up Survey/ Teithio i'r Ysgol Arolwyg Dwylo Fyny to all maintained primary schools in Wales. This validated survey will measure children's self-reported mode of travel to school and will provide a clear picture and understanding of active school travel levels (e.g., walking, cycling, scooting) in Wales. The survey this year's survey week will be 19th - 23rd of June.

PHW are on a mission to make active travel like walking, cycling & scooting the natural, normal choice for school journeys & that's why it has put together the 'Travel to School Hands Up Survey'.

Find out more by visiting <https://phw.nhs.wales/travel-to-school-hands-up-survey>



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Mae @PHW ar genhadaeth i wneud teithio llesol fel cerdded, beicio a sgwtera yn ddewis naturiol, arferol ar gyfer teithiau ysgol a dyna pam ei fod wedi llunio 'Arolwyg Dwylo i Fyny Teithio i'r Ysgol.' Darganfyddwch fwy trwy ymweld â bit.ly/37iU2Xm

Attendance Winners - 5th - 9th June 2023

Congratulations to Dosbarth 2 Miss Brookes who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 98.2% and Dosbarth 10 Mrs Lewis who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners for last week with 97.6%

WELL DONE!

DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery		0	78.3	3	89.6	6	93.6
Reception	91.5	1	91.4			7	85.6
		2	93.6	4	86.7	8	87.6
1	94.2	3	93.8			9	86.4
		2	90.7			5	88.5
4	86.7			11	85.3		
5	94.7			6	89.7	12	88.9
		13	90.3				

Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM - Gracie F. PM - Taylyn	Class 7 - Mrs Rogers	Skilar

Class 1 - Mr Tully	Ryleigh	Class 8 - Miss Channing	Harriet
Class 2 - Miss Brooks	Alexis	Class 9 - Mr Phillips	Toby
Class 3 - Miss Brown	Lewis	Class 10 - Mrs Lewis	Finnley
Class 4 - Mrs Lee	Macey	Class 11 - Mrs Messore	Timmy
Class 5 - Mr Key	Jaxon	Class 12 - Miss Bones	Joe
Class 6 - Miss Williams	Kaiden	Class 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Liam

Nursery – What an amazing sports day we had Meithrin! I am super proud of you all! A big Da iawn to you! Thank you, parents, for a wonderful day and your support in buying the children's creations. Our next exciting event is our end of year class concert on Thursday 29th June. Morning session starts at 9.30am and afternoon session starts at 1.30pm in the main school hall. Children will be bringing home their lines to practise over the next 2 weeks. We are very excited 😊

Dosbarth 1 & 2 – All children made fantastic contributions to our Progression Step 1 sports day. The children competed and cheered on their houses brilliantly. Thank you to all families and carers who came to watch the event we raised over £100 with your donations and purchases from our craft shops. This week the children have been enjoying the hot weather and taking even more opportunities to take their learning outdoors. Please keep bringing your children into school with plenty of drink and sunhats. It is also important that all snacks brought into school are healthy. Have a wonderful weekend!

Dosbarth 3 – Bendededig Dosbarth 3! You have had another fantastic week of learning. The children have been working hard this week making gifts to sell for sports day. They have also been preparing their programmes and practising the races. Sports day will be taking place on Wednesday 21st June and the top gate will be open at 1pm for a prompt start. We please ask that with the continuing warm weather that the children bring drinks and hats to stay cool. Have an enjoyable weekend!

Dosbarth 4 & 5 – Da iawn Year 2 for another busy week! We have been excited to practise and prepare for our sports day on Wednesday 21st June and are looking forward to seeing you there. We have been busy preparing including creating our own race programmes, making gifts that will be on sale at the sports day and practising for our races! Please can children bring hats and drinks where possible to support them staying cool in the lovely sunshine. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 6 & 7 – .Bendededig Pawb for a super week of learning. We had a lovely sports day practise which the children can't wait to show you on Wednesday 21st June 2023. Just a quick reminder that we have class photos on Tuesday 20th June 2023. Also, please can you send the children in with drinks and a sun hat due to the weather being so hot. Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Dosbarth 8 & 9 – Ardderchog Dosbath 8 & 9 for wonderful week. Everyone enjoyed the trip to Cardiff Castle on Wednesday and shared many facts and learnt more information about our topic this term 'Why is everyone called Norman?' A huge congratulations for all the hard work in preparation for the Formula 1 in Schools project. All children in Year 4 had a fabulous day on Thursday racing their cars and all teams gave outstanding pit displays and team presentations. All teams received awards and two teams will be representing Garnteg Primary School at the National Finals in Leeds. We are also busy practising for our class performances ready for next week - please can you remind your child to learn their parts, and we look forward to seeing you on the day. There will be crafts made by the children for you to purchase.

Dosbarth 10 & 11 – Ardderchog Dosbarth 10 & 11 for an extraordinary week of learning. We had a very rich and authentic experience visiting the Big Pit. Children were fully engaged and lots of questions were asked about life working in the mines. There are a few reminders for the next few weeks. Photo day is on 20th June. Sports Day for Year 5 will take place on Wednesday 28th June. Please keep up to date with messages being sent out. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy this beautiful weather.

Dosbarth 12 & 13 – Da iawn Blwydden 6 on another fantastic week. You have continued to work really hard and produce excellent work! A huge thank you to the pupils and team captains who supported with PS1 sports day this week, your help was invaluable. Have a fantastic weekend and remember your packed lunch on Monday for your transition day at Abersychan!

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	93.2%	92.4%
4	92%	90.2%
5	93%	91.9%
6	92%	90.9%
7	95%	93.3%
8	93%	90.8%
9	93%	91.2%
10	95%	93.4%
11	95%	93.3%
12	90%	88%
13	94%	91.5%

Kind regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School