

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 13th October 2023

Cylchlythyr - 13th Hydref 2023

Value for this half term is Respect



Gwerth yr hanner tymor hwn yw Parch

Important Dates

Friday 20th October - 10.0am Class 6 Harvest Concert

Friday 20th October - 1.30pm Class 7 Harvest Concert

Parent Consultations - Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th October

24th October & 25th October
Parent Consultations
 These will be in our main hall during consultations on the 24th October 2023. Hot drinks will be served. Please pop in!

Spooky Disco - 26th October

JOIN US IF YOU DARE FOR
Garnteg Spooky Disco
 Thursday 26th October
 During School

SPOOKY TREATS AND DRINKS will be available to purchase
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED
 GAMES ARRANGED BY SCHOOL AMBASSADORS AND COUNCIL

INSET DAYS

Friday 22nd December 2023

2023 OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Pupil Photos	14
15	16	17	18 Pontypool Library to see Nursery and Reception	19	20	21
22	23	24 Parent consultations in school	25 Parent consultations online / call	26 Spooky Disco	27	28
29 British summer time ends	30 Half Term Wellbeing camp	31 Halloween Wellbeing camp				

NOTES

HALF TERM STARTS 30.10.23 TO 03.11.23

RETURN TO SCHOOL 06.11.23

SCHOOL LUNCH COUNT ME IN - ALL MONTH

24.10 - USBORNE BOOKS, GARNSYCHAN, FAMILIES FIRST & FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICES (IN HALL)

30/10 - 2/11 TORFAEN PLAY WELLBEING CAMP AT GARNTGEG 10AM-3PM

Harvest Assembly

Class 6 and 7 have prepared harvest performance for parents/grandparents/guardians to attend in school. Class 6's performance will be on Friday 20th October at 10:00am and Class 7's performance will be on Friday 20th October at 1:30pm. The children have made items that will be on sale after the performance.

Registration

May we please remind parents/carers that morning registration is 9.00am, staff are at the gates between 8.40 and 9.00am to receive children, in order that we can start registration promptly.

Lateness

Registration starts at 9.00am and closes at 9.10am, any pupil arriving after 9.10am will be marked late and if they arrive after 9.30am will be marked unauthorised, this could lead to intervention from the Education Welfare Officer

October Half-Term Play and Wellbeing Camp

After a brilliant and successful summer of play provision at Garnteg, we are looking forward to October Half Term Play and Wellbeing Camps for children and young people.

The camps will run from Tuesday 31st October - Thursday 2nd November 2023 from 10am until 3pm. Children are required to bring a packed lunch. Please apply for your child to attend using the link below, places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

https://iweb.itouchvision.com/portal/itouchvision/r/customer/category_link?cuid=CCA8599AE222B64E553E3059431401AB98COB98E&lang=EN& LANG=en

Torfaen Play & Short Breaks Service
Providing a variety of fun and interactive sessions in the heart of the community.

Halfterm Play & Wellbeing Camps
October 2023
FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 11 YEARS
10:00AM TO 3:00PM
Tuesday 31st October to Thursday 2nd November

Chwarae Torfaen a Gwasanaethau Seibiannau Byr
Darparu amrywiol o sesiynau hysŷl a rhyngweithiol wrth gradd y gymuned

Gwersylloedd Chwarae A Lles Hanner Tymor
Hydref 2023
I BLANT 5-11 OED
10:00YB TO 3:00YP
Dydd Mawrth 31 Hydref i Dydd Lau 2 Tachwedd

Blauafon VC Primary School
Middle Coed Cae Road, Blaenafon, NP4 9AW

Blenheim Road Community Primary School
Blenheim Road, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 45Z

Garnteg Primary School
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pontypool, NP4 75J

George Street Primary School
Wainfein Road, Pontypool, NP4 6BX

Llantarnam Primary School
Llantarnam Road, Llantarnam, Cwmbran, NP44 3XB

Nant Celyn Primary School
Henllys Way, Cwmbran, NP44 7DJ

Ysgol Gynradd Drefadaeth Wirfoddol a Reoli Blaenafon
Heol Coed Cae Ganol, Blaenafon, NP4 9AW

Ysgol Gynradd Gymunedol Blenheim Road
Ffordd Blenheim, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 45Z

Ysgol Gynradd Garnteg
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pont-y-pŵl, NP4 75J

Ysgol Gynradd George Street
Ffordd Wainfein, Pont-y-pŵl, NP4 6BX

Ysgol Gynradd Llantarnam
Ffordd Llantarnam, Llantarnam, Cwmbran, NP44 3XB

Ysgol Gynradd Nant Celyn
Ffordd Henllys, Cwmbran, NP44 7DJ

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

Victory Church
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

NIFER CYFYNGEDIG O LEOEDD SYDD AR GAEL
I gwybhuu ffurflen mynegi diddordeb cysylltwch â: torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk. Nodwch fod rhaid cwblhau'r cais ar gyfer eich plentyn cyn mynychu.

I gael rhagor o wybodaeth, ebestiwrch:
torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk

SESIYNAU SEIBIANI / SEIBIANIAU BYR ARBENIGOL
(Darlunio aeth arbennig i blant a phobl ifanc sydd ag anghenion cymhleth. Cyniar y sesiynau hyn drwy'r broses atgyferio yn unig).

Neuadd Gymunedol Glenside
Glenside, Cwmbran, NP44 1BN

Neuadd Gymunedol Greenmeadow & St Dials
(Y Cockerel), oddi ar Pandy, Greenmeadow, Cwmbran, NP44 4LA

Eglwys Victory
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

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

Chwarae Torfaen Torfaen Play
[torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk](https://www.torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk)

Henllys Community Council
Glenside Community Council
Greenmeadow & St Dials Community Council
Victory Church



Huge Congratulations to our Kitchen who have just received a 5* top food hygiene rating following an inspection.

Breakfast club

Polite reminder that times for breakfast club are 8:20am until 8:50 am. Children are not to be dropped off before this time. Gates are open at 8:20 am for breakfast club to enter please don't arrive before this time.

School Lottery

A colorful poster for 'YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY'. It features a rocket ship launching upwards, surrounded by several circular icons containing numbers (2, 4, 7, 4). The text on the poster reads: 'WE'VE LAUNCHED A LOTTERY', 'Buy your tickets now to help our fundraising', 'Tickets cost just £1', 'All profits go to our school', 'Local cash prize every week', and 'Chance to win the £25,000 jackpot!'. At the bottom, there is a white button that says 'Play Now'. The logo for 'GambleAware' is visible in the bottom left corner.

Our school has joined a lottery and we're seeking your support. You have a chance to win amazing prizes for just £1 per ticket.

Visit <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garnteg-primary-school> for more information.

Christmas Cluster Choir

Year 6 have been working with DJ Susie producing songs for a special radio show involving our cluster. Please see the poster below to listen live, the show will also be repeated over Christmas!



Garnteg Wellbeing Play Club - every Thursday

TORFAEN COUNTY BOROUGH
BLAENAU GWENT
TORFAEN PLAY & SHORT BREAKS SERVICE

Torfaen Play & Short Breaks Service

Garnteg Wellbeing Play Club

Garnteg Primary School working in partnership with Torfaen Play Service.

Free Fun Stimulating Team Building and Play Sessions.

EVERY THURSDAY
From School until 4:15PM
For children in years 5 & 6
BOOKING REQUIRED TO ATTEND

For more information and to book onto these sessions please contact:
torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk

FREE OF CHARGE

TORFAEN PLAY AND SHORT BREAKS SERVICE

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@torfaenplayservice

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torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk

Places fill fast so please register your interest as soon as possible.

October is 'School Food - Count Me In' month
Starts Monday 2 October - Friday 27 October



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October 2023

SCHOOL FOOD - COUNT ME IN!

Try school meals every day for the month of October: eat with friends, discover new flavours, and save time & money

- Starting October 2nd all pupils are automatically signed up for free school meals for the month.
- Get in touch if you have any questions or if your child has special dietary requirements.
- We really encourage your child to try, but if you would like to opt out contact us on the email or phone number below.
- Find out more about school lunch menus and nutritional information on the Torfaen County website!

Let's eat together this October!

Get in touch:
01633 647715
CateringEnquiries@torfaen.gov.uk
www.torfaen.gov.uk

Thank you for any parents who attended the taster session on Thursday 28th September after school, it was lovely to hear views from the pupils on food they hadn't tried. Keep your eyes peeled for the next one.

That's the second week down! Well done to all pupils who swapped sandwiches for school dinners! We hope you enjoyed this week's menu.

Next week's menu is

Week 2	Cod Fish Fingers or Breaded Vegetable Nuggets (V) Served with Mashed Potato, Beans or Seasonal Vegetables	Strips of Chicken Breast or Quorn Strips (V) Served with Sweet and Sour Vegetable Noodles, Tortilla Wrap and Salad	Pork Sausages or * Glamorgan Style Sausage (V) Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast & Boiled Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy (V)	Homemade Beef Spaghetti Bolognese or Veggie Bolognese (V) Served with Seasonal Vegetables or Salad and Garlic Bread	Beefburger in a Bun or Quorn Burger (V) in a Bun Served with Chips and Seasonal Vegetables
	Chocolate Orange Beet Cake and Custard	Strawberry Whirl with Fruit	Fruit Flapjack and Milk Drink	Jam and Coconut Sponge and Custard	Ice Cream Roll with Fruit



Dear Parents



The school have arranged for Usborne Books Partner, Karen Simmonds, to arrange a book fair. The book fair will take place on Tuesday 24th October 2023 from 3.15 pm. Karen will, have a display of books set up. Books can be brought on the day and any orders taken (payment is required with order cash card or bank transfer accepted) and the books will be delivered back to the school.

There is also a link below to the full range of over 3000 books with the digital catalogue.
https://issuu.com/usbornepublishing/docs/issu_usborne_2023_catalogue.

Karen will also be available to answers questions and take orders from you by any of the following methods should you wish to order and are not able to get to the book fair.

Email on kaz.sim-xkeys@hotmail.co.uk

Whats app or text on 07984925273

Send a message on her facebook page

www.facebook.com/KarenSimmondsIndependentUsborneOrganiser

For every £10 spent by parents on books the school will get up to £6 worth of books for use throughout the school. Your support in this event is much appreciated.



Costume Hire

Hire is from £1 a costume and this is refunded on return of the costume

Children's Costume Borrowing Service

GARNSYCHAN PARTNERSHIP

Charity Number 1147232

Does your child have a fancy dress party to attend or a school dress up day? Then look no further!

Garnsychan Partnership are now running a costume borrowing service.

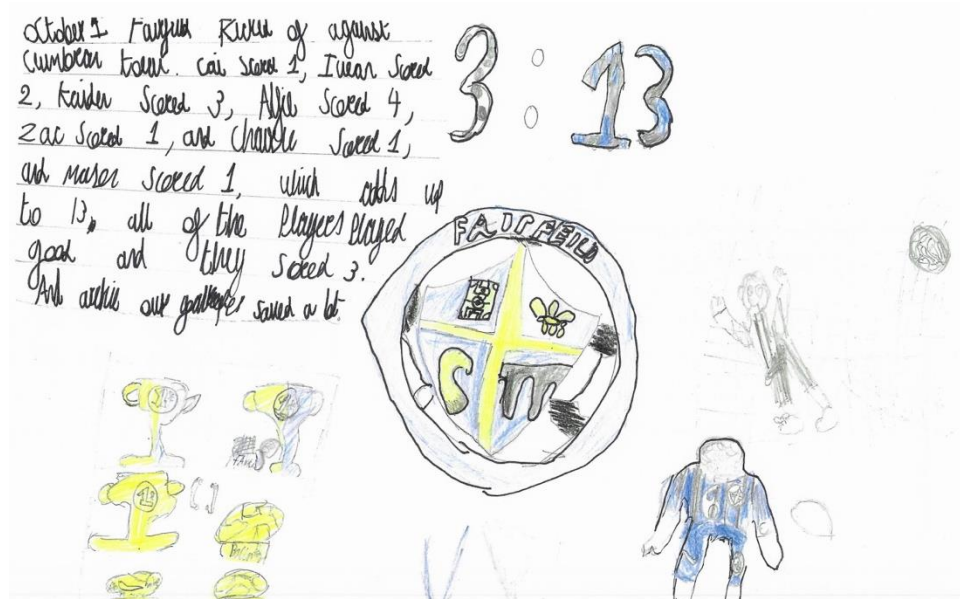
We have a variety of children's costumes that can be hired out all for a small donation, and a small deposit which will be refunded back to you on return of costume.

For more information please drop in or call us on 01495 774453



www.garnsychanpartnership.co.uk
55 Stanley Road, Garndiffaith NP47LH
T: 01495774453 E: info@garnsychan.org.uk

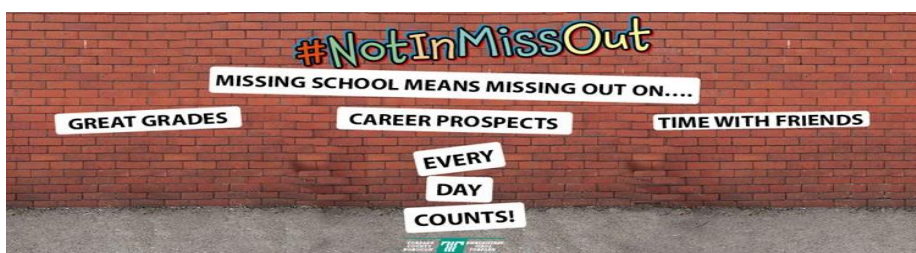
☆ Pupil Zone ☆



Next report about Fairfield United. Well done on a 13-3 win!

We can see how proud they are of their huge win

We are looking forward to hearing how the team gets on this season!



Attendance Winners 2nd - 6th October 2023

Congratulations to Dosbarth 5 Mr Key who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 97.5% and Dosbarth 7 Mrs Rogers who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners with 94.5%

WELL DONE!

DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are

Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	79.8	0		3	90	6	91
Reception	84.9	1	97.2			7	89
		2	72.1	4	93.3	8	96.4
Year 1	94.2	3	92.5			9	90
Year1/2		4	98.9	5	91.9	10	91.3
Year 2	96.6	5	95.4			11	92.4
				6	92.1	12	90
						13	94.4

Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM - Kiera PM- Billie	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Mia
Dosbarth 1 - Mr Tully	Frankie	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Channing	Isaac
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Gracie	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Lowri
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Brown	Lexi	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Tyler-Luke

Dosbarth 4 - Miss Brooks	Dominic	Dosbarth 11 - Mrs Messore	Summer
Dosbarth 5 - Mr Key	Chloe-May	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Sophie
Dosbarth 6 - Miss Williams	Gracie-May	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Ollie R

Nursery - What another lovely week we have had Meithrin! This week we have been learning about shapes and you have all been amazing at recognising shapes. We went on shape hunts inside and outside of the classroom and found as many shapes as we could. When playing outside we made shapes using natural resources we found. Meithrin have also been very busy in the kitchen making our shape biscuits for the bake sale, we can't wait to try them. Da Iawn Pawb! Have a lovely weekend.

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Gwaith da! Both classes for another wonderful week of learning in Reception. This week the children have put their expressive arts skills to the test when acting out their story retells. We have uplevelled our work with both Music and Drama. We are collating parents evening requests and will inform you of your allotted times on Monday. Please keep up reading and learning at home we are so pleased to see the impact in and out of school. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 3 - Bendedig Dosbarth Tri! You have had a fantastic week of learning this week, you began to make predictions about our new story and found out if you were right in languages, literacy and communication. In mathematics and numeracy, you developed your understanding of money and even applied it in the bake sale. We would like to thank you for your kind donations of extra cakes for the bake sale and for the money that we raised. Please keep up your hard work with your children's home learning tasks, reading and spellings. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Da iawn Year 2 for your wonderful work this week. You have been practising using coins to pay for items in our Autumn shop, finding the features of letter writing and exploring colour and tone in our art. Your Autumn cakes and biscuits looked amazing! Please can we continue to have reading books back each week so we can update them for the children, and there is still time to book a parent/carer consultation if you have not already. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 6 & 7 - Gwaith gret dosbarth 6 a 7 for a fantastic week of learning. You have worked really hard learning your lines for our class performances on Friday 20th October 10.00am for class 6 and 1:30pm for class 7. The children have been innovative thinking of things to create for the sale too. Thank you for supporting the children with the bake sale. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 8 & 9 - Da iawn, Dosbarth 8 and 9. Thank you for being such caring pupils raising money for our local community with our 'Bake Sale' tea party. We are starting to plan our class assembly, which will be the Remembrance Assembly, and the children have been working particularly hard with DJ Susie performing for the assembly. Thank you for the lovely work we are seeing in your Learning Logs. Keep bringing your completed tasks into school. Have a lovely weekend.

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - Bendigedig Dosbarth 10 & 11 for another fabulous week. Thanks to your kindness and fantastic baking skills we have been able to raise money for our school and community! Arddechog! You have all worked incredibly hard exploring data this week and practising these skills through your topic work. You have also been fantastically creative when exploring pattern in expressive arts!. A reminder to let us know if you have a preference for parents evening, we will confirm allocated times on Monday. Diolch! Have a wonderful weekend.

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - Wow blwyddyn Chwech, thanks to your incredible generosity (and baking skills) you raised a fabulous amount for our school and community in the bake sale! Da iawn ti! Please share your wonderful blogs with your families this weekend as you have all worked so hard to write them! A big well done to all of you!

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	95	89
4	94	95.1
5	94	90.8
6	93	93.2
7	95	89.3
8	95	94.5
9	95	92.6
10	93	90.3
11	93	92.3
12	95	91.7
13	95	94.9

Kind regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School