

GARNTEG PRIMARY



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Newsletter - 20th October 2023

Cylchlythyr - 20th Hydref 2023

Value for this half term is Respect



Gwerth yr hanner tymor hwn yw Parch

INSET DAYS

Friday 22nd December 2023

Important Dates

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 - 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

October Diary



Pupil Absence

Please remember to contact the school office via our answerphone or email by 9.30am if your child is going to be absent, if we do not receive a message and your child is absent, they will be marked as unauthorised, and this could lead to intervention from the Education Welfare Officer. Please make any dental or medical appointments after school where possible

Important - Pupil Data

Please can all parents/carers inform school immediately of any changes/additions to address or contact details, it is important that we are able to make contact quickly should we need to.

We also need to have all relevant Medical Details concerning your child including any Medical Conditions, allergies etc.

It is also important that we receive parental consent forms regarding the use of images, videos and photographs being used on our website and in other printed publications. Along with permission to take your child on any school visit.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open from 8:20am until 8:50 am.

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.

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

Blauawon Heritage VC Primary School
Middle Cae Cae Road, Blaenawon, NP4 9AW

Blenheim Road Community Primary School
Blenheim Road, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 4SZ

Garnteg Primary School
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pontypool, NP4 7SJ

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

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

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

A refillable drink and packed lunch is required

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

Victory Church
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

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Chwarae Torfaen a Gwasanaethau Seibiannau Byr
Darparu arwynebi o seisnau hwyf a rhyngweithio wrth graidd y gymuned

Gwersylloedd Chwarae Alles Hanner Tymor

Hydref 2023

1 BLANT 5-11 OED
10:00YB TO 3:00YP
Dydd Mawrth 31 Hydref i Dydd Lau 2 Tachwedd

Rhaid darparu cynhwysydd diod y gellir ei ail-lenwi a chinio pecyn

Ysgol Gynradd Dreftadaeth Wirfoddol a Reoli Blaenafon
Neot Coad Cae Gamod, Blaenafon, NP4 9AW

Ysgol Gynradd Gymunedol Blenheim Road
Ffordd Blenheim, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP44 4SZ

Ysgol Gynradd Garnteg
Hillcrest, Garndiffaith, Pont-y-pwll, NP4 7SJ

Ysgol Gynradd George Street
Ffordd Wainlein, Pont-y-pwll, NP4 6BX

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

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

NIFER CYFYNGEDIG O LEODD SYDD AR GAEL
I gwisbiau furlen mynegi diddordeb cyffwrdd i: torfaenplay@torfaen.gov.uk. Nodwch fod rhaid cwblhau'r cais ar gyfer eich plentyn cyn mynychu.

I gael rhagor o wybodaeth, e-bostiwch:
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SEISYNAU SEIBIAN/SEIBIANNAU BYR ARBENIGOL
(Darparueth arbennigol i blant a phobl ifanc sydd ag anghymeru cymhleth. Cynllunio y seisynau hyn drwy'r broses atgyfeirio yn unig.)

Neuadd Gymunedol Glenside
Glenside, Cwmbran, NP44 1BN

Neuadd Gymunedol Greenmeadow & St Dials
11 Cockerel, Off Pandy, Greenmeadow, Cwmbran, NP44 4LA

Eglwys Victory
Greenforge Way, Cwmbran, NP44 3BA

School Lottery

Our school lottery first draw is tomorrow! This is your last chance to purchase tickets before our first draw, where you can win great prizes and support the school.

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY



Sign up to our lottery page on Your School Lottery today to have a chance of winning a share of great prizes! Each ticket you purchase makes a huge impact.



<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garnteg-primary-school>

Take It Back - Inhaler Recycling Scheme

There is growing awareness and concern about the impact of respiratory inhalers on our environment. The majority of inhalers contain propellants called hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs). Whilst HFCs are not ozone depleting, they are still potent greenhouse gases, thousands of times more powerful than carbon.

Inhalers are now changing to more environmentally friendly options. Inhalers that have been used, or are no longer needed cannot be recycled, or disposed of with household waste.

A poster for the 'Take It Back Inhaler Recycling Scheme'. It features a green background with a globe and ferns. The text says: 'Take It Back Inhaler Recycling Scheme. To help the environment, please return your used inhaler to any North Monmouthshire GP Surgery, or local pharmacy, when it is no longer usable, or needed.' There are three illustrations of inhalers. At the bottom, it says 'Please scan the QR code for participating branch details and further information about the scheme.' and includes a QR code. The footer has logos for GIG, NHS, and University Health Board.

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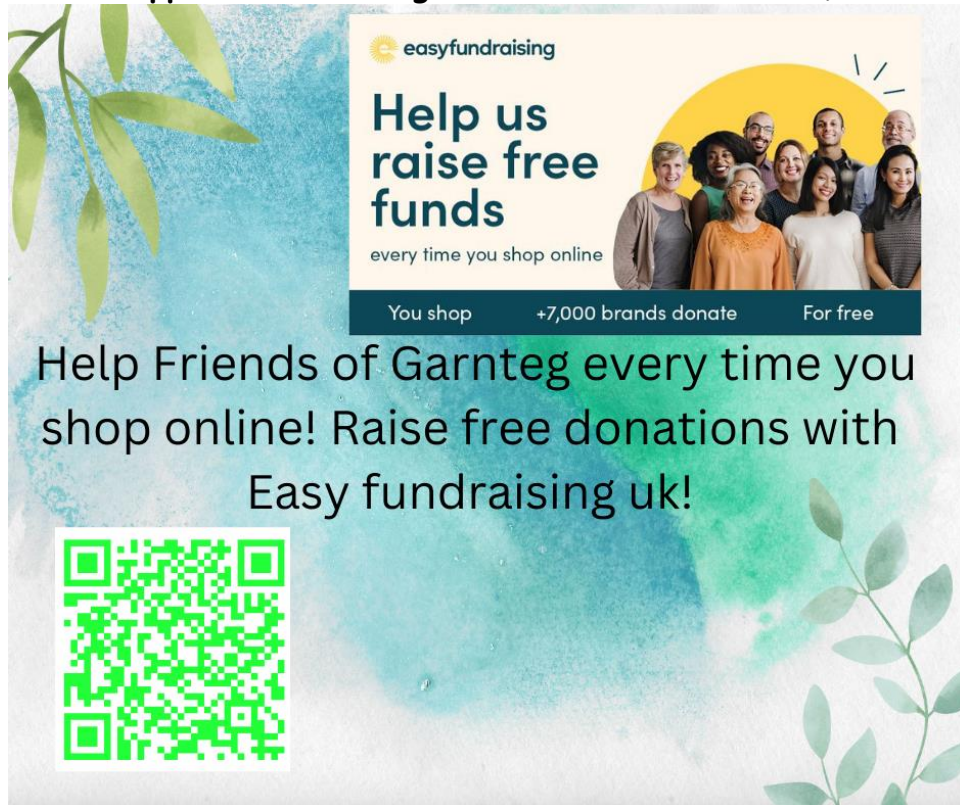
Please scan the QR code for participating branch details and further information about the scheme.

GIG
NHS
WALLES

Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol
Aneurin Bevan
University Health Board

Easy Fundraising

Please support us in raising donations for the school, as easily as shopping online.



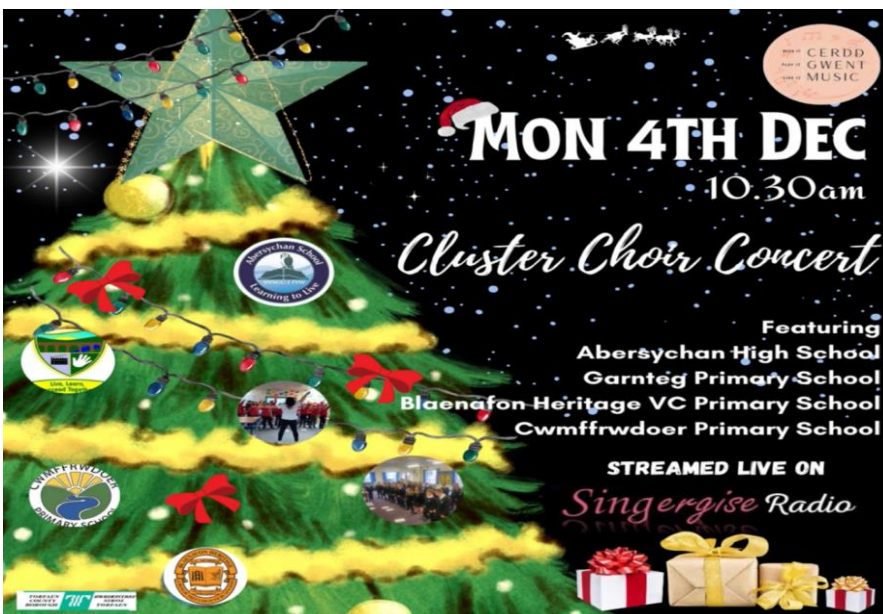
The advertisement for Easy Fundraising features a group of diverse people smiling in front of a yellow sun. The text reads: "easyfundraising Help us raise free funds every time you shop online". Below this, it states "You shop +7,000 brands donate For free". A QR code is located in the bottom left corner of the ad.

Help Friends of Garnteg every time you shop online! Raise free donations with Easy fundraising uk!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-garnteg>

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!



The poster for the Christmas Cluster Choir Concert features a large green Christmas tree with yellow garlands and red bows. The text on the poster includes: "MON 4TH DEC 10.30am Cluster Choir Concert". It lists the participating schools: "Abersychan High School", "Garnteg Primary School", "Blaenafon Heritage VC Primary School", and "Cwmffrwdor Primary School". The concert is "STREAMED LIVE ON Singergise Radio". Logos for "Cerdd Gwent Music" and "Abersychan School Learning to Live" are also present.

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



That's the third 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 3	Salmon and Sweet Potato Fish Cake Served with Mashed Potato and Beans or Cheese and Potato Pie (V) and Beans Spicy Pear Cake and Custard	Homemade Chicken Curry or Vegetarian Curry (V) Served with Rice and Seasonal Vegetables, Naan Bread Oaty Apple Crumble with Cream	Roast Turkey with Stuffing or Quorn Fillet (V) Served with Roast & Boiled Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy Strawberry Trifle	Homemade Beef Lasagne or Quorn Lasagne (V) Served with Seasonal Vegetables or Salad and Garlic Bread Welsh Cake and a Milk Drink	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) Served with Chips, Peas or Baked Beans Vanilla Ice-Cream with Pineapple Slices
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School Book Fair- Tuesday 24th October 2023



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.



Attendance Winners 9th - 13th October 2023

Congratulations to Dosbarth 4 Miss Brooks who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 98.9% and Dosbarth 8 Miss Channing who were Key Stage 2 attendance winners with 96.4%

WELL DONE!

DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are

Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% Overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	75.4	0		3	94.5	6	92.1
Reception	87.5	1	86.8			7	96.8

		2	88.3	4	91.7	8	87.1
Year 1	95.8	3	95			9	96.5
Year1/2		4	98.8	5	94.4	10	94.3
Year 2	95.9	5	93.9			11	94.4
					6	91.4	12
				13			94.1

Seren Yr Wythnos 2023

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	Seren Yr Wythnos
Nursery - Mrs Attewell	AM - Caden PM- Theodore	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Harley
Dosbarth 1 - Mr Tully	Theo	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Channing	Madison
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Bonnie	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Rohan
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Brown	Charlie	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Darcy
Dosbarth 4 - Miss Brooks	Paisley	Dosbarth 11 - Mrs Messore	Riley
Dosbarth 5 - Mr Key	Tylor	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Fedor
Dosbarth 6 - Miss Williams	Isaac	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Dylan

Nursery - Da iawn for a lovely week Meithrin. We have enjoyed learning all about Harvest. We followed a recipe to chop, spread and stir ingredients to make a yummy vegetable soup. We even had bread and butter to dip in. Mmm! We had a visit from Pontypool library who read some exciting autumn books to us. We can't wait to visit with our new library cards. Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to speaking to you all next week for parents evening 😊

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - Bendigedig dosbarth 1&2 for another fantastic week of learning. This week we were joined by a librarian who kindly read stories about growing in dosbarth 1 and feelings in dosbarth 2. We thoroughly enjoyed this and continued our love for reading by exploring different books in the classroom. We have also continued to uplevel our work of orally retelling the stories in creative ways by using our acting skills and musical instruments. Diolch for a lovely week! Parents evening consultations have now been allocated and we look forward to talking with you next week. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 3 - Bendigedig Dosbarth Tri! You have worked hard this week consolidating your learnt skills and have wowed us with your ability to recap your learnt skills in maths and literacy. In Welsh you have learnt how to play last man standing and splat and have enjoyed recapping your Welsh colours. A friendly reminder to please keep returning your reading books and that next Thursday is the spooky disco day. Have a fantastic weekend!

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Da iawn blwyddyn dau! This week you have continued our learning about colour, setting up our own investigation to find out why some leaves change their colour. We have been developing our letter writing skills and planning to write our own letters next week and using our money skills in our Autumn shop to solve problems. We even wrote our own 'Pa liw' colour books! We look forward to seeing our parents/carers next week at consultation appointments - any queries about this please don't hesitate to get in touch. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 6 & 7 -

Da iawn blwyddyn tri for another excellent week! Not only have you all worked very hard in class but you have all made us so proud by completing your Harvest performances! You all learnt your words and sang the songs beautifully, even challenging yourselves by adding signs. We look forward to seeing you next week for parent consultations and just a reminder that Thursday is our spooky disco day. Have a lovely weekend, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all in the classroom on Monday.

Dosbarth 8 & 9 - Ardderchog blwyddyn pedwar for another fantastic week of learning! This week we have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our topic further researching all about the brain - you have found out so many interesting facts, da iawn! You have all written some fantastic stories and we are so proud of the progress you are all making. We look forward to seeing you next week for parent consultations and just a reminder that Thursday is our spooky disco day. Have a lovely weekend, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all in the classroom on Monday.

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - Another fantastic week of learning in Year 5 this week! Bendigedig pawb! We have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our topic 'Gorwelion Newydd,' and carried on with our individual projects based on the Caribbean. We look forward to seeing you all next week for parents evening and just a reminder that Thursday is spooky disco day. Diolch for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend!

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - Da iawn blwyddyn 6 for yet another amazing week! This week we have enjoyed investigating our different islands of personality and we have created for and against arguments in Welsh. Reminder that next Thursday is spooky disco day. Have a wonderful weekend all:)

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	95	89.8
4	94	95.6
5	94	91.2
6	93	93
7	95	90.4
8	95	93.4
9	95	93.2
10	93	90.9
11	93	92.5
12	95	91.3
13	95	94.7

Kind regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School