



## GARNTeg PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter - 04<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Cylchlythyr - 04<sup>th</sup> Gorffennaf 2025

Value for this half term is



Gwerth yr hanner tymor

# Diary dates

## *July*

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - 'Summer Under the Arch' concert Noddfa & Garnteg at 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - Year 6 Class 13 Leavers Concert 1.30PM

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - Year 6 Class 12 Leavers Concert 1.30PM

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - Nursery Leavers Concert

## INSET DAYS

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025

## Term Dates 2024/2025

### Academic Year

Term	Term Begins	Half Term Begins	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Monday 02.09.24	Monday 28.10.24	Friday 01.11.24	Friday 20.12.24
Spring	Monday 06.01.25	Monday 24.02.25	Friday 28.02.25	Friday 11.04.25
Summer	Monday 28.04.25	Monday 26.05.25	Friday 30.05.25	Monday 21.07.25

### 2025/2026 Academic Year

Term	Term Begins	Half Term Begins	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Monday 01.09.25	Monday 27.10.25	Friday 31.10.25	Friday 19.12.25
Spring	Monday 05.01.26	Monday 16.02.26	Friday 20.02.26	Friday 27.03.26
Summer	Monday 13.04.26	Monday 25.05.26	Friday 29.05.26	Monday 20.07.26

### Attendance and Punctuality



A reminder that the school doors are open for registration from 8.50am and registration is at 9am, pupils arriving after 9am will be marked as "Late".

It is important that pupils don't miss the instruction time at the beginning of the day.

A polite reminder to report your child's absence from school. Please contact the school office on 01495 742934 or leave a message with reason for absence.

Any unreported absences are referred to the Education Welfare Officer.

Thank you!

## Noddfa Church Summer Under the Arch

Children will be singing at Summer Under the Arch this Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July from 6pm. Pupils are singing with the choirs and all classes have made items to be purchased at the event and all money raised will be going to Garnteg.

Please come along and support our school and local community.



A purple-themed poster for the 'Summer Under the Arch' event. At the top left, it says 'FREE SUMMER EVENT FOR OUR VALLEY' with four plus signs to the right. Below this is a photo of two gospel singers performing. To the right, it says 'SUNDAY 6 JUL' with a photo of a man at a piano. The main title 'SUMMER UNDER THE ARCH' is in large white letters, followed by 'Noddfa Church and Garnteg School' and 'In partnership with NEW HOPE Atlanta Georgia, USA'. Below the title is a photo of a large crowd in a tunnel. To the right of the crowd photo, it says 'FREE Because we LOVE YOU', 'Start 6PM', and lists 'CHOIRS', 'BANDS', 'GAMES', 'FOOD', 'DRINK', and 'STALLS'. At the bottom left, there are two photos of performers: Latrice Pace and Courtney & Shaa. The website 'www.NoddfaChurch.com' and the location 'The Big Arch Abersychan' are at the bottom.

FREE SUMMER EVENT FOR OUR VALLEY

SUNDAY 6 JUL

**SUMMER UNDER THE ARCH**  
Noddfa Church and Garnteg School  
In partnership with NEW HOPE Atlanta Georgia, USA

FEATURING  
**ZEKE LISTENBEE**  
7 TIMES GRAMMY  
NOMINATED AND  
DOVE AWARD WINNER

**FREE**  
Because we LOVE YOU

Start  
**6PM**

**CHOIRS  
BANDS  
GAMES**

**FOOD  
DRINK  
STALLS**

Welcoming famous Gospel singers

Latrice Pace

Courtney & Shaa

www.NoddfaChurch.com

The Big Arch Abersychan

## Governing Body AGM Meeting

Reminder to parents and carers, the governing body will be holding their AGM meeting from 2.45pm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025. A warm welcome to everyone.

## Torfaen Play Summer Food & Fun Camp



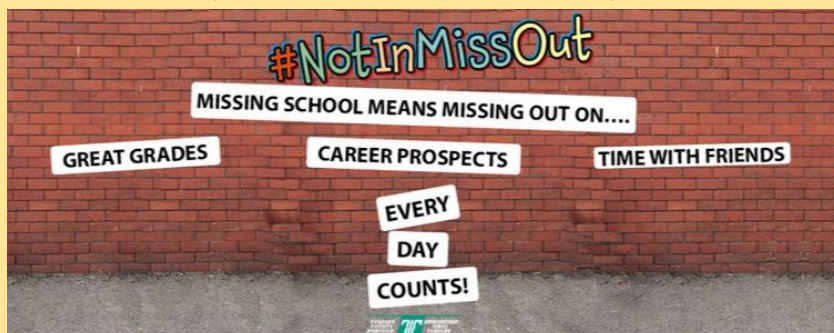
Please use link below to register your child's space;

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### Attendance Winners - 16<sup>th</sup> June - 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Congratulations to Dosbarth 5 Miss Brooks who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 93.21% and Dosbarth 8 Miss Williams with 95.77%

WELL DONE! DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are:

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	86.04	0	86.04	3	91.46	6	92.22
Reception	91.86	1	94			7	88.89
		2	90.80	4	90	8	96.92
1	94.17	3	94.44			9	84.81
				5	92.91	10	97.04
2	88.72	4	87.20			11	88.93
		5	92.14	6	93.27	12	89.23
						13	97.31

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	95	93.45
4	95	91.40
5	95	93.22
6	95	93.37
7	95	92.81
8	95	90.12
9	95	90.23
10	95	92.28
11	95	90.87
12	95	87.28
13	95	93.72

A reminder to Strive for 95! The classes with the highest attendance for the week receive a whole class reward (e.g. squash and biscuits) and any class who achieves over 90% attendance gets extra play. Individual classes also give rewards and prizes to pupils with fantastic attendance. #notinmissout

### ✿ Seren Yr Wythnos ✿

Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
Class	Seren Yr Wythnos	Class	
Nursery -	AM - Amia PM - Finley D	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Olivia
Dosbarth 1 - Mrs Lewis	Elias	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Williams	Wiliam
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Ewan	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Dayton
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Bones / Mrs Messoré	Noah	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Kaiden
Dosbarth 4 - Miss Channing	Isabelle	Dosbarth 11 - Mrs Emanuel	Rohan
Dosbarth 5 - Miss Brooks	Carter	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Zac
Dosbarth 6 - Mr Key	Cohan	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Toby

**Nursery** - Da iawn pawb for another super week in Meithrin! We've loved meeting new friends who'll be joining us in September and have been immensely proud of the resilience you've shown to the changes in your move up day! We've loved seeing how creative you all are when we've made our tealight holders and had another fabulous baking session making shortbread biscuits, you were so good at following instructions when measuring and combining the ingredients. Have a lovely weekend Meithrin!



**Dosbarth 1 & 2** – What a lovely week we've had! It's been wonderful to see you using time connectives so confidently in your writing as you reflect on your year and set goals for next year. You all enjoyed Move Up Day on Wednesday—meeting your new teachers and classmates with such enthusiasm. We also had fun creating patterned decorations for our classroom—da iawn pawb! A polite reminder to return any home reading books ready for next year's learning. Diolch, and have a lovely weekend!

**Dosbarth 3** – What another busy week that was! The children have worked so hard in class, and they are using great creative skills in areas like the garden shop, mud kitchen, loose parts and block play. Well done to all the children for having such a successful 'Move Up', their behaviour and positive attitudes to their learning was noted by all staff. Have a lovely weekend and hope to see lots of you at 'Summer Under the Arch', Sunday 6-8pm.

**Dosbarth 4 & 5** – Da iawn Dosbarth 4 & 5 for another fantastic week of learning! We've been busy making candle holders and weaving friendship bracelets for the local community event "Summer under the arch" on Sunday! We've also explored using coding and Beebots to help us with our learning on directions. Finally, you've created some amazing Welsh animal fact files, gwaith ffantastig! Just a reminder to bring in healthy snacks and a drink with your name on, especially in the warmer weather. Have a lovely weekend, see you in the classroom again on Monday 😊.

**Dosbarth 6 & 7** – Diolch for a wonderful week in class 6+7, including a very successful move up day exploring our new classes. We also created crafts for summer under the arch, planned our fantasy stories to write next week and created sparkle profiles to share all about us with our new teachers. Please can we continue to bring refillable drink bottles in for the children to use in the hot weather. Thank you!

**Dosbarth 8 & 9** – Another busy week in year 4. Pupils enjoyed their move-up day exploring their new classes. Reminder that Summer Under the Arch takes place on Sunday at 6pm. Have a lovely weekend and see you back in the classroom on Monday.

**Dosbarth 10 & 11** – A fabulous week in Year 5, we have practised reading and calculating using timetables, designed end of year photo frames and have been busy making items to sell at Summer Under the Arch on Sunday. We hope to see you there! 😊

**Dosbarth 12 & 13** – A fabulous week with Year 6. We had such a fabulous time at Prom, all the children looked amazing and it was a great way to celebrate our year together. We can't wait to welcome you to the leavers concerts next week- Thursday for Class 13 and Friday for Class 12. Have a great weekend.

## **Community Notices**

**BLAENAVON TOWN BAND**  
Brass Band Summer School  
29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025  
Blaenavon Workmen's Hall

**FREE TO ATTEND**  
INSTRUMENTS CAN  
BE PROVIDED

LEARN TO PLAY OR DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS  
Open for absolute beginners or more experienced players

Special Guest Tutor  
**Roger Argente**  
Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama

For more information, please contact  
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[facebook.com/blaenavonbandofficial](https://facebook.com/blaenavonbandofficial)

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University Health Board

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**ALN  
REGULAR  
SESSIONS**

Please email our Family Liaison Officers  
for further information  
[ABB.FamilyLiaisonOfficer@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:ABB.FamilyLiaisonOfficer@wales.nhs.uk)

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CLASSES AT  
GARNDIFFAITH**

**TUESDAYS**  
AGES 1-5 4:00-4:30  
AGES 6-8 4:30- 5:15  
AGES 9+ - 5:15 - 6:00

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**CHARGERS UNDER 12S  
YEAR 6 & 7 (SEPT 2025)**

**GIRLS RUGBY TASTER SESSIONS**

FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST 2025 & MONDAY 4TH AUGUST 2025  
5.30PM - 6.30PM  
NEWBRIDGE CANAL FIELDS

WEEKLY TRAINING MONDAYS & FRIDAYS 5.30PM - 6.30PM  
COACHES & VOLUNTEERS DBS CHECKED & WRU QUALIFIED

**RECRUITING  
COME AND JOIN US!!!!  
#OneClub**

Tiny Tigers = Age 3 – 5  
Under 7s – School year 2  
Under 8s – School year 3  
Under 9s – School year 4  
Under 10s – School year 5  
Under 11s – School Year 6  
Under 15s – School Year 10

**FUN  
RESPECT  
FRIENDSHIPS  
TEAMWORK  
DISCIPLINE  
MEMORIES  
SKILLS  
SOCIAL EVENTS  
FITNESS  
CONFIDENCE  
TOURS**

**CONTACT JAMIE WILLMOTT 07583690571**

Talywain Minis & Juniors RFC  
DBS QUALIFIED COACHES

Kindest Regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School