



GARNTeg PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter - 18th July 2025

Cylchlythyr - 18th Gorffennaf 2025

Value for this half term is



Gwerth yr hanner tymor

Diary dates

INSET DAYS

Monday 21st July 2025

Monday 1st 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

End of Term

A big thank you to all parents and carers for your support throughout this school year 2024-25. It has been another wonderful year of learning. Have a brilliant summer holiday, have fun and stay safe! We wish our Year 6 leavers the best of luck in secondary school. We will see you all when we return to school on Tuesday 2nd September 2025.



Attendance Winners ✨



We celebrated our amazing attendance winners during assembly. Lots of children received certificates of achievement. We had 9 pupils with 100% attendance for the school year 2024-25 and 9 pupils with most improved attendance from last year who all received a gift voucher for their efforts. 60 pupils received a certificate for 100% attendance for the Summer term.

Dosbarth 3 - Mrs Messorre and Miss Bones received the highest class attendance in Foundation Phase for this year and **Dosbarth 6 - Mr Key in Key Stage 2**. Both classes enjoyed squash and cakes to celebrate their achievements.

A huge da iawn to all our winners, you have worked incredibly hard on your school attendance, and we are very proud of you!

#NotInMissOut

#Strivefor95

Special Achievements



Well done to one of our Year 3 pupils for passing his Grade 1 piano exam! Well done to a pupil in Year 6 for achieving Silver in the JiuJitsu European Championships.
We are so proud of your achievements!

School Essentials Grant



Please use the following the link for more information;
<https://orlo.uk/YfD2U>

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!

Attendance Winners - 07th July - 11th July 2025

Congratulations to Dosbarth 3 Miss Bones/Mrs Messori who were foundation phase attendance winners for last week with 88.52% and Dosbarth 10 Mrs Ngwenya with 94.07%

WELL DONE! DA IAWN!



This week's attendance figures are:

Year	% overall	Class	Percentage	Year	% overall	Class	Percentage
Nursery	82.10	0	82.10	3	95	6	92.59
Reception	93.49	1	92.80			7	97.78
		2	95.20	4	93.05	8	92.31
1	90.83	3	91.11			9	92.96
2	86.67	4	89.60	5	88.36	10	86.67
		5	84.29			11	90
				6	92.31	12	88.46
						13	96.15

Class	Target by end of year	Current percentage to date
3	95	93.26
4	95	91.14
5	95	92.77
6	95	93.79
7	95	92.99
8	95	90.09
9	95	90.22
10	95	92.18
11	95	90.73
12	95	87.21
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 - whole class PM - whole class	Dosbarth 7 - Mrs Rogers	Whole Class
Dosbarth 1 - Mrs Lewis	Whole class	Dosbarth 8 - Miss Williams	Whole Class
Dosbarth 2 - Miss Dalton	Whole class	Dosbarth 9 - Mr Phillips	Whole Class
Dosbarth 3 - Miss Bones / Mrs Messore	Whole class	Dosbarth 10 - Mrs Ngwenya	Whole Class
Dosbarth 4 - Miss Channing	Whole class	Dosbarth 11 - Mrs Emanuel	Whole Class
Dosbarth 5 - Miss Brooks	Bobi-Ray	Dosbarth 12 - Mrs Lee	Whole class
Dosbarth 6 - Mr Key	Whole class	Dosbarth 13 - Mrs Parker-Evans	Whole class

Nursery - What an amazing year we have had together in nursery! You have all worked so hard and settled into the routine of nursery brilliantly. You have made some fantastic friendships and have progressed so much. What wonderful, ambitious, kind and inspiring children you are! We have shared so many wonderful moments together and we have enjoyed every minute with you. Keep being the positive, smiling and creative children you are! We will miss you all lots and we hope you have the most wonderful summer with your

families. Keep sparkling like the shining stars you are, and we are sure you will continue to sparkle and shine when you return to school in September! Hwyl fawr meithrin you have been wonderful!!

Dosbarth 1 & 2 - What a wonderful final week. We've had such a wonderful week together filled with reflection, exploration and celebration. It's been a time to look back on how much we have sparkled. One of the highlights this week, is our special awards celebration-walking down the red carpet to receive our certificates was a moment of pride, joy and laughter for everyone! Have a lovely summer. Diolch from all staff 😊.

Dosbarth 3 - A huge well done to all pupils in Dosbarth 3. Miss Bones, Miss Mitchell and I have thoroughly enjoyed this year. We are over the moon to have won the Foundation Phase award for highest attendance over the whole school year, and as a result, had muffins and squash as a treat this afternoon. It has been such a successful year and a pleasure to teach you all and watch you grow into confident learners. A big thank you to all parents and guardians for your support throughout the year. Have a lovely summer. Be safe and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Dosbarth 4 & 5 - Well, what can we say! A big diolch yn fawr for a fantastic year of learning Dosbarth 4 & 5! You have all been ambitious, capable learners and set out to succeed and achieve in everything you have done. We have shared many wonderful experiences together and enjoyed every second of the year with you. We hope you continue your positive mindsets as you move into your next learning journey and classes next year. We will truly miss you and hope you have the best summer break - enjoy the rest and come back refreshed and sparkling like the stars you are. Hwyl fawr for now, from all the staff in Dosbarth 4 & 5! 😊


Dosbarth 6 & 7 - All the staff would like to congratulate the children on a fantastic year. We have witnessed them grow into confident individuals who strive to achieve the best they can. We have shared many new experiences together and learned many interesting things along the way, but the most important thing is that we approached everything with a positive mindset and had many laughs and giggles. We have shared lots of achievements from children winning player of the match in their football and rugby along with one of our children passing their grade 1 piano exam. We would like to say have an amazing summer break and stay safe. We know that you will all continue to shine like the stars that you are when you return in September.

Dosbarth 8 & 9 - Well done to all of Year 4 for a fantastic year! We are so proud of the confident individuals you have become and how you have all climbed to sparkle. We hope you have a fabulous summer and that you all stay safe. We look forward to seeing you all start your new chapters in September. A huge well done and enjoy a well-deserved rest. See you all soon!

Dosbarth 10 & 11 - We are so proud of every one of you this year. You have all worked so hard and are so kind and caring. I hope you all have a fabulous and safe summer, we look forward to starting your new chapters with you in September. See you all soon 😊

Dosbarth 12 & 13 - We are so immensely proud of the kind, considerate pupils leaving us this week. You have sparked this year and we know you will continue to do so as you move to your next ventures! A huge well done to you all, enjoy a well-deserved rest this summer!

Community Notices



GARNDIFFAITH WELFARE MUGA
FREE AGE 9 - 16
SUMMER HOLIDAYS
TUESDAYS THURSDAYS
2:30 - 3:30
STARTING 24TH JULY
MORE INFO:
ABIGAIL.POWELL@TORFAEN.GOV.UK



BLAENAVON TENNIS COURTS
MONDAYS
17:30 - 19:00
(EVERY MONDAY EXCEPT 4/08 & 25/08)
AGES 9 - 16
FREE TO ATTEND
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: ABIGAIL.POWELL@TORFAEN.GOV.UK
DyfedolCadarnhaol PositiveFutures



BLAENAVON ACTIVE LIVING CENTRE
MULTI SPORT SESSION
12:30 - 1:30 PM
EVERY TUESDAY
STARTING 29/07
MORE INFO:
ABIGAIL.POWELL@TORFAEN.GOV.UK



BLAENAVON TOWN BAND
Brass Band Summer School
29th, 30th and 31st 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
blaenavontownband@gmail.com
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Partnership between Blaenavon Health Board, GIG NHS, and Blaenavon Health Board

FAMILY LIAISON OFFICER GUIDE TO
ALN REGULAR SESSIONS
Please email our Family Liaison Officers for further information
ABB.FamilyLiaisonOfficers@wales.nhs.uk
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CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO SEE THE ALN REGULAR SESSIONS



Studio 77 DANCE

STREET DANCE 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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MILLENNIUM HALL
@studio77_dance
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Kings Castles
Torfaen & Beyond

STAY 'N' PLAY

**AT GARNDIFFAITH
MILLENNIUM HALL
FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST
12PM – 2PM**

**BOUNCY CASTLES • SOFT PLAY
HOPPERS & GAMES & MORE!**

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& DRINKS IF WANTED
PARENTS TO
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CHILDREN

£5 PER CHILD
SIBLINGS £3.50
EACH



**BLAENAVON
RFC**

**We are recruiting
For the
25/26 season**

DBS CHECK COACHES
WRU TRAINED

SCRUM AND JOIN US

Blaenavon RFC U16's

Contact
Martin : 07411441075
Matthew : 07498777426

**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**

Talywain Minis & Juniors RFC
DBS QUALIFIED COACHES

CONTACT JAMIE WILLMOTT 07583690571

Kindest Regards

Mrs Roche & all the staff at Garnteg Primary School