# GWENFO NEWS



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Meet the teachers Wednesday 2nd October 3.40-4.15 or 4.15-4.45

ALN parent coffee and chat Friday 4th October 9am

Estyn Inspection 7-9th October

7th October School Hall 3.45pm

World Mental Health Day
Thursday 10th October (Wear Yellow)

Tempest School Photos (Individuals) Wednesday 23rd October

Year 3 Class Worship - 9am (please note change of class) Friday 25th October

Half Term October 28th - November 1st

#### **SCHOOL DINNERS**



When we return the dinner options will be from 'WEEK 2' on the Big Fresh menu

# THIS WEEK IN GWENFO

Generosity
'GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL
GIVER'
2 Corinthians 9:7

This week We have been thinking about giving generously...children from Y2 to Y6 have been given the choice to give of their time in school and to join a pupil voice action group.

Action groups range from values, rights, digital leaders, playground buddies, health and safety and eco committees. Watch out for news of projects and plans over coming weeks!

The school council elections have also taken place and we we thrilled that so many children stood for election!

The successful candidates are pictured overleaf and will form part of our pupil Senedd with representatives from the other groups to ensure all children in our school have a voice!

Could you give a little of your time? Due to three parent Governors coming to the end of their 4 year term we have some spaces within our Governing Body. Please consider offering a little of your time to support and challenge with other members of our community. Please see emails that we sent on Tuesday this week.

# SCHOOL COUNCIL















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# WELSH PHRASE OF THE WEEK YMADRODD YR WYTHNOS

This week our phrase is

Dewch i mewn! Esgusodwch fi ...

Come in! Excuse me...

Day of languages on
Thursday. Children across
the school loved learning
new words and phrases in
many languages. thank you
to Luke in Y5 who shared
some delicious Polish food
with his class. They loved it!

Next week (wb 30.09.24) - We are having a big challenge to use several phrases we already know both in and out of the classroom ...

Bore da
Prynhawn da
Croeso i Gwenfo
Diolch
Pwy wyt ti?
Sut wyt ti?
Ga i ... os gwelwch yn dda?





### CHILDREN'S BANK

**BRILLIANT SCHEME FOR YOUNG SAVERS!** 

**NEXT DATE: 30.09.2024** 

We run a weekly children's bank in school where children can save as little as 1p each week.

Educating our children about how to manage their pennies is so important.

If you would like your child to become a Young Saver please pick up a form from the office.

#### Reminder for Year 1 Parents ...

We are excited to tell you that we will be having a special Superhero day on Monday 30th September as part of our new topic.

Your children are invited to dress up on this day as a 'superhero'.

This could either be -

·A fictitious superhero e.g. Spiderman
·A real life superhero such as someone who works for the emergency services

e.g. a firefighter or doctor
Or even a personal superhero e.g. a member of your family.

The primary intention is for us to have a fun day of activities together, so please do not feel that you need to purchase anything for this day. If you are struggling with sorting a costume, do come and see us as we have a few in school.

Looking forward to a fun day together!

The Year 1 team



If anyone is having a clear-out we would also be very grateful for any superhero figures! Thank you.

Parent support group run by Gemma and Kellie.

Come along for a chat and a coffee next Friday (4th October) at 9am. This is a parent run group for and all are welcome.



You are welcome to bring younger children too. It is a relaxed and friendly group who all offer each other support, share ideas and knowledge about supporting children with additional needs

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Week ending: 20.09.2024

Reception	91.7%
Year 1	96.6%
Year 2	94.5%
Year 3	88%
Year 4	92.7%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	100%

A big well done to year 6 who had the highest school attendance last week with a full week of 100%!!

School starts at 8.50am and we are noticing a number of families who are regularly coming late, this delays the start to the day not only for your child but impacts the rest of the class too.

All classes have morning tasks and get their day started as soon as they come into school.

Please do come and chat with us if there is anything we can help you with.

If you are late you MUST sign your child in at the office.

#### **ILLNESS**

If your child is unwell it would really help us to know before school starts at 8.50am.

The school answerphone is always in outside of school hours so please just leave a short message or pop over an email. Automated messages are sent at 9.30am to parents if your child is not in school as a reminder.

It really helps Mrs Hazelton and Mrs Clements if you can let us know otherwise they have to start ringing round to check attendance.

#### PLANNED ABSENCES

Holiday forms are available on the school website or popinto into the office to fill in a form.

Schools have been sent an update list of advice regarding common ailments - with many the advice is as long as your child feels well the can come to school. There are a couple of exceptions - we kindly ask that any child who has had sickness or diarrhoea to remain off school for 48 hours after the final episode.

If your child needs any medication during the school day we are happy to administer this - but please come into the office to complete a medication form.



#### **WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**

Children are invited to wear yellow on Thursday 10th for a day to celebrate being healthy in mind and body together.

#### **COOKERY CLASSES**

Thank you for the response to book onto the cookery classes. We look forward to them starting next week.

Please do make sure you have clicked on the link in the email to book in and alert Gemma the leader about any dietary requirements.



#### **OPEN EVENING - MEET YOUR TEACHERS**

Please pop in on Wednesday night (October 2nd) to have a look around your child's classroom, chat to their teaching staff and hear a little about the expectations for their year group.

We are running two sessions - you are welcome to either session just pop along. Children are welcome and we hope will enjoy showing you round their rooms!

#### **CHANGE TO PE DAY**

Please note from next week onwards there will be a permanent change to the PE day for Reception only. PE will no longer be on a Friday.

PE days for <u>RECEPTION</u> are now Wednesdays and Thursdays

Estyn will be visiting the school on 7-9th October and would like to meet with parents and carers on Monday 7th October at 3.45pm in the school hall. Please do try to come along if you can.

Staff have offered to look after school age children in order for you to attend. Please drop them off at the year 3 or 4 classroom doors from 3.40pm. Staff will be unable to collect children before then due to being in a meeting of their own. Please just wait on the playground until we open the doors.

Please collect children following the meeting from the same doors.

QR codes for questionnaires should have been received by all families this week. Please ensure you record your responses by 11pm on 29.09. Thank you!



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## Wellbeing Workshop



For parents/carers only of children aged 0-11 years on the Neurodevelopmental waiting list.

Please make alternative arrangements for childcare during the workshop. As the session is for **adults only.** 

Led by a Psychologist get tips and strategies for your child's better mental wellbeing.

#### Includes information on:

The PACE Approach Emotional Regulation Co-regulation between parent/carer and child

This is not a Neurodevelopmental assessment. It is for information and learning purposes only.

During the coffee break chat with the Neurodevelopmental Community Connectors about the waiting list, assessment process and other services available while waiting.

At: Community Room, Asda Cardiff Bay, Ferry Road Retail Park, CF11 OJR

On: Tuesday 15th October 2024

Time: 10am-12pm

The session is free of charge but please book a place via Eventbrite using the QR code or this link:



https://www.eventbrite.com/e/neurodevelopmental-service-wellbeing-workshopgweithdy-lles-tickets-943435299377

# Connection Session Vale of Glamorgan

For parents/carers only of children aged 0-11 years on the Neurodevelopmental waiting list.

Please make alternative arrangements for childcare during the session. It is for adults only who live in the Vale of Glamorgan.

#### Aims:

- Overview of the Neurodevelopmental Service and what to expect when on the waiting list
- Connecting you to services, information and support that are available in the Vale of Glamogan while on the waiting list
- A chance to ask questions, meet local services and speak to other parents and carers

At: Vale of Glamorgan Council Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU

On: Monday 25th of November 2024

Time: 9:30am-11:30am

There will be a 15-minute presentation from the Neurodevelopmental Service and then time to meet other services who will have stalls at the event.



Please access the link or QR Code to book a free space.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/neurodevelopmental-service-connection-session-vale-of-glamorgan-tickets-1007512325487