



UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday 15th October

Seren a Sbarc Day
(Wear welsh colours
or welsh costumes)

Friday 18th October

Show Racism the Red Card 2024
(Wear red)

Tuesday 22nd October

Reception Once Upon a Time
Celebration - Dress up as a Fairy
Tale Character

Wednesday 23rd October

Tempest School Photos (Individuals)

Friday 25th October

Year 3 Class Worship - 9am
(please note change of class)

Half Term

October 28th - November 1st

THIS WEEK IN GWENFO

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

Thank you to everyone for your support of hello yellow day. Well-being is at the heart of what we do at Gwenfo and we know that your children had a lovely day together playing games, sharing happy times with friends and learning about how to be happy and healthy.

This week we have welcomed more families to cooking sessions with Gemma from cook stars. It has been wonderful to have families cooking together in school.

Thank you to Gemma and Kellie for hosting the parent and carer coffee morning last week. It is wonderful to connect families to support each other. Watch out for further ALN coffee morning dates.

SCHOOL DINNERS



When we return the dinner options will be from 'WEEK 1' on the Big Fresh menu

PTFA

If there is anyone interested in joining the PTFA please come along on Tuesday after school to meet and discuss plans for the year.

Meet in Y6 - just come to the doors near Y5 at 3.30pm. Children welcome too! If you can't make it along please pop over an email and we'll add you to the PTFA email list.

LUNCHBOXES

A number of unhealthy items are being added to lunchboxes - please be reminded we are a nut free school and lunchbox choices should be healthy options. All children are welcome to choose a free school meal daily with a choice of options and all dietary requirements are catered for. Please do pop in if you want to chat with Ceri our cook.

FARMERS MARKET

Please come along to support this new venture on Sunday. All stallholders will be donating to our PTFA so the more people that come the more stallholders will want to take part!

9.30-12.30 in the school carpark.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES

LOWER SCHOOL (NURSERY AND RECEPTION)

2nd December & 3rd December - 2pm

MIDDLE SCHOOL (YEAR 1, 2 & 3)

4th December (2pm matinee)

& 5th December (2pm Matinee & 6pm evening)

UPPER SCHOOL (YEAR 4, 5 & 6)

9th December (2pm matinee)

& 10th December (2pm Matinee & 6pm evening)

ESTYN

Thank you to our community for welcoming Estyn inspectors into our school family over the last few days. Your children shone like the stars they are! The report will be published in December and shared with all of our families.

Special thanks to all of our school staff and their own families for giving generously of their time during this period.

Whilst the report remains confidential until published I would like to extend a huge thanks for the support the school has received from our families via questionnaire responses, attendance at the parent meeting, kind words and everyone being on time. During the inspection only one family were late for school - fantastic - please keep this up! Thank You!

ATTENDANCE

Week ending: 04.10.2024

Reception	92.8%
Year 1	91.7%
Year 2	89.7%
Year 3	87.3%
Year 4	86.3%
Year 5	90.7%
Year 6	90%

A big well done to Reception who had the highest school attendance last week of 92.8%



SHW'MAE, WE ARE THE GWENFÔ CRIW CYMRAEG!

SEREN AND SBARC DAY 2024
15.10.2024

Please could all children wear welsh colours or welsh costumes on Tuesday. We will also be enjoying welsh games and singing welsh songs through out the day.

WELSH PHRASE OF THE WEEK
YMADRODD YR WYTHNOS

This week our phrase is

Dewch i mewn!
Esgusodwch fi ...

Come in!
Excuse me...

RECEPTION 
22nd October 2024

**ONCE UPON A TIME
CELEBRATION DAY**

Dress up as a Fairy
Tale Character

YEAR 5

Will be making rides out of recycled objects at the end of next week - please could you send in any recycling - tubes etc.

YEAR 6

Llangrannog Residential -
Payment plans are now open on
parentpay.

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER





PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS



Please check your email for the link/QR code to vote for the Parent Governors. We are thrilled that so many parents have been nominated - thank you to the parents below for offering to be part of our Governing Body. Please vote and use your school registered email address on the form to ensure your vote is counted.

Jody Skene, Psychotherapist - I have a mental health background including training with CYP. Volunteer Chair of Wenvoe Playgroup for 3 years (including closing and reopening the charity as a CIO) Treasurer of the PTFA of Gwenfo.

Katie Wilcox - I am excited to nominate myself as a parent governor, dedicated to enhancing our school's community. With a commitment to supporting student success and fostering collaboration between parents and staff, I aim to contribute meaningful insights and perspectives. Together, we can create a nurturing environment for our children to thrive.

Rhiannon Davies-Tuck - I am a HR Advisor and have been associated with the school since my son started in nursery last year.

Emmanuel Ebubedike - I work as an Energy Manager in the facilities management (FM) sector. I've been previously elected to work as a parent governor on the board of Gwenfo School in Wales Primary School, and I also was a member of the finance community.

Rhiannon Dale - My daughter has been part of the Gwenfo family since 2021. I am a Partner at a leading Welsh law firm. I can add value to the governing body on HR, legal and governance issues to help Gwenfo fulfil its full potential for all our children, staff and wider community.

Marian Pickett - I have recently completed 4 years as a parent governor at Gwenfo and would welcome the opportunity to continue in this role. I also serve on the accessibility committee at work, where I continue in my role of Solicitor.

David Jones - A father to three children, two of which have already completed their education at Gwenfo, I am passionate about creating an inclusive environment where every child can thrive. I would like to support communication between parents and school, ensuring the voices of all families are heard and valued.

DONATION OF OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT

We were thrilled to be selected to receive a range of outdoor equipment from landscapes for learning. Items placed around the school for your children to enjoy including 2 mud kitchens, a bug hotel, climbing ramp, tool bench and the most beautiful bench amongst other items.

We were absolutely wowed by the generosity of landscapes for learning the company that installed our outdoor classroom and cycle shed. These items were donated by Craig the owner of the company - thank you!





OPTIMISTIC OCTOBER

Optimistic October 2024

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month

2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)

3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you

4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list

5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good

6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better

7 Look for the good in people around you today

8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding

9 Share an important goal with someone you trust

10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently

11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward

12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today

13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing

14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation

15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted

16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting

17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society

18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead

19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future

20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time

21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you

22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague

23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise

24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently

25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?

26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face

27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time

28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?

29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to

30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future

31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

Small actions add up to big changes

It can be hard to stay hopeful with all the challenges in our lives. We have a built-in 'negativity bias', but we can also train our brains to look for what's good. This challenge will help you develop realistic optimism by creating a habit of taking small positive actions every day.

WENVOE COMMUNITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLANNING EXERCISE



**HAVE YOUR SAY
ON THE FUTURE OF YOUR COMMUNITY
IMPACT HOW YOUR COMMUNITY AND
VILLAGE EVOLVE
YOUR VIEW IS IMPORTANT
TAKE PART AT
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