



Newsletter/ Cylchlythyr

14th December 2018



Together We Soar to Success

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance is 93.9% (our target is 96%).

Congratulations to GOLDFINCH Class with 98.3% and KINGFISHER Class with 95.1% for coming top of your departments!

Christmas Concerts...

Well done to all of the children for their fantastic performances in the Christmas Concerts, and a **BIG** thank you to all Parents, PTA and Staff for your continued support at this busy time of year. ☺

Christmas Jumper Day ...

Pupils can wear Christmas Jumpers on the last day of school (Friday 21st December 2018). Please note that no money contributions are necessary. This is not a fundraising event IT'S JUST FOR FUN ☺

Social Media

May we remind you again that there is a structured way of communicating your queries and concerns with us:

Firstly, speak to your child's class Teacher, either through Dojo or through face to face appointment, most concerns are addressed at this point. If matters are not resolved, make an appointment with the Phase Leader, Mrs Hobbs for Foundation Phase and Mrs Roderick for Key Stage 2. Usually matters are resolved by this stage, however, if not, then make an appointment with the Acting Deputy Head Teacher, Mr Winter. If you are not satisfied then make an appointment with the Head Teacher, Mrs Thomas. On the rare occasion that issues are not addressed by this point then you can write to the Governing body expressing your concerns.

It is important that you give us an opportunity to help your child through the right channels, social media does not help anyone and can cause unnecessary distress to all those involved. Please speak before you post!

Parent Sign Language Course

Please contact the school office next week, if parents would be interested in completing a 6 week sign language course which would be starting after Christmas.

Icy Weather

As the cold weather is on its way, we will be starting to put rock salt down on the school paths.

Please can pupils and parents stick to gritted pathways around the school as it may become slippery due to the Ice.

Appropriate Clothing

Due to recent cold weather can we please request that you send your child to school in appropriate clothing e.g. warm Jumpers/Cardigans and waterproof coats. Thank you.

PTA Christmas Disco

The PTA will be holding a Christmas Disco on **Thursday 20th December**, the times will be—

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 - 3.30pm– 4.30pm

(Parents must remain with their children, thanks)

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 4.45pm– 5.45pm. **£2 entry.**

IMPORTANT REMINDER - In order to safeguard our children are a few changes to the procedures for school events held outside of the school day (e.g. PTA discos, leavers' parties etc.) **ALL children must be brought and collected from events by a responsible adult. Children will not be permitted to leave the premises without an adult to adult handover. Foundation Phase children must be accompanied throughout the event and junior children can be dropped off and collected from the main reception area.**

If there is an incident during the event (behavioural, accident etc.) then a member of staff will contact you. If your child is left at the end of an event a staff member will try to contact you, if unsuccessful, the child will remain in the school building with staff members for 30 minutes or as long as it takes for them to clear away. If a parent cannot be contacted then the protocol for a child left at school is initiated. Children's services will be contacted and we shall take your child to the nearest manned police station, this would be in Bridgend Police Station.

We want to ensure all children have fun and are safe at school and at after school events, thank you for your cooperation with this matter ☺

Emergency contact Number...

Just a reminder that we have an out of hour's mobile number for parents to contact us in an emergency **ONLY**.
From the hours of 8.30am to 3.30pm please contact the main school phone number on 01656 815640, if you need to contact us in an emergency the out of hours phone number is 07596232043.

Dates for the diary

18th December 2018 – Year 1/2 Trip to Rumble in the Jungle.
19th December 2018 – Year 1/2 Trip to Rumble in the Jungle.
20th December 2018 – PTA Christmas Disco.
21st December 2018 – Christmas Jumper Day.
24th December 2018 – 4th January 2019 – SCHOOL HOLIDAY.
1st February 2019 – GO ORANGE – Muscular Dystrophy.
22nd February 2019 – St David's Day Celebrations.
25th February 2019 – 1st March 2019 – SCHOOL HOLIDAY.
15th March 2019 – Comic Relief - Red Nose Day.
Week beginning 25th March 2019 – Parental Consultations
15th April 2019 – 26th April 2019 – SCHOOL HOLIDAY.
6th May 2019 – BANK HOLIDAY.
7th May 2019 – 14th May 2019 – Welsh Government National Tests.
27th May 2019 -31st May 2019 – SCHOOL HOLIDAY.
3rd June 2019 – 14th June 2019 – Year 4 Swimming Lessons – Ynysawdre Pool.
17th June 2019 - 19th June 2019 – Year 6 Manor Adventure Trip.
24th June 2019 – 28th June 2019 – Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons – Ynysawdre Pool.
1st July 2019 – INSET DAY.
22nd July 2019 – INSET DAY.
23rd July 2019 – 1st September 2019 – SCHOOL HOLIDAY.

Ogbmore Vale Primary
Christmas Disco
Thursday 20th December

Infants only
3.30-4.30

Juniors only
4.45-5.45

£2 Entry

Infants must be accompanied by an adult
Juniors must be collected from the main hall

Unfortunately no juniors are permitted in the infant disco and vice versa