

Newsletter/ Cylchlythyr

8th March 2019



Together We Soar to Success

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the pupils, parents and staff for making us feel very welcome in our first week at Ogmores Vale. We will be holding an informal meet the headteacher and deputy headteacher session on **Monday 18th March** at 9 o'clock in the school hall, this will be an opportunity for us to meet you and talk about how we can work together in the future.

Mrs Joe Colsey, Interim Headteacher & Miss Anna Price, Deputy Headteacher.

Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance is 94.5% (our target is 96%).

Congratulations to WOODPECKER Class with 98.8% and HERON Class with 99.5% for coming top of your departments!

Changes to after school arrangements

Just a gentle reminder that we cannot accept phone calls regarding changes to any after school arrangements for your child, i.e. going home with friends, pupils being picked up from the bus queue instead of going on the bus, and after school club arrangements, unless it is an **absolute** emergency.

Any changes need to be written in a letter and sent into your child's class teacher, or sent to the school office via email.

Communication via Dojo....

From Monday 11th March teachers will be using the Dojo system to inform you of positive behaviour and attitudes to learning and key information regarding trips, homework or information about school life. We will not be responding to any texts or messages received from parents via Dojo. If you have any queries or would like to speak to your child's class teacher please can you ring the school and leave a message and a member of staff will contact you at a convenient time within the school day.

Comic Relief

We will be supporting Comic Relief this year on **Friday 15th March** and would encourage your child to dress in something red. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please can you send this with your child on Friday, many thanks in advance.

The Big Pedal....

Once again we are involved in The Big Pedal, Cycling & Scooting to school. Please can your children try their best to scoot or bike to school from **Monday 25th March 2019 – Friday 5th April 2019.**

We will be collating the data every day. Thank you.

The Big Pedal is the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge that inspires pupils, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school.

On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of pupils, staff and parents cycling or scooting to school.

Bridgend Food Bank Vouchers

Mrs. Roderick is now an agent for the Bridgend Food Bank. If you are a parent of a child in Ogmores Vale Primary School and are in need of a foodbank voucher, please make arrangements to see Mrs. Roderick. This is a confidential service for families experiencing financial difficulty only and sometimes further information may be required before vouchers can be issued.

This week we are proud of....

Our Year 2 pupils for completing Kerbcraft and receiving their certificates today, and also the following pupils for receiving an INSPIRE Award in this week's Friday Assembly –

Jacob N	Misha T
Deacon F	Ellie-May S
Olly R	Osian J
Layla B	Carl E
Ella S	Iona O
Evan D	Mia B
Alithia M	Mason B

Dates for the diary

15th March 2019 – Comic Relief - Red Nose Day.

Week beginning 25th March 2019 – Parental Consultations

25th March 2019 – 5th April 2019 – The Big Pedal.

12th April 2019 – Dress down day raising money to help local dance troop get to the world championships.

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.