

Cogan Primary News

School Council-Playground Initiative



The Spring term has got off to a great start. We are continuing with our school rules and I am pleased to say, all but a few are using them to uphold our fantastic school environment. One of the significant initiative this month has been led by the School Council. It is great to see them exercising their rights and surveying all children to gather ideas of how to improve the playground and ensure there is purposeful play and no negative behaviour. They conducted a Focus, Analysis, Development and Evaluation (FADE form) process to gather information and ideas. These ideas were then brought together into an overall list of actions for short, medium, long term and wish lists. Sam and Kaelan, two members of the School Council, presented proposals to the PTA and it was agreed that they would help with funds to buy storage and equipment for the playground. I would like to congratulate the School Council for all their hard work. They will be continuing to work with teachers to develop yard rotas and to prepare cards of playground games for the Peer Supporters to use to develop engaging activities. Other important documents to look out for on our website, The Governors' Annual report to Parents 2022-2023 is now available.

Year 5 will be working collaboratively in the summer with two Expressive artists- Catherine and Anushiye. This will be funded by the Welsh Government Cynefin Grant, promoting a better culturally and ethnically diverse Wales. This project is in the earliest planning stages but is going to be a hugely exciting learning journey.

Our St David's day celebrations will be taking place soon, we are looking forward to our usual celebrations, promoting the rich heritage of Wales, which will be the theme for some of our home competition tasks. See over.

Please can I remind parents and carers to stick to the one way system for dropping off and collecting children. It is very important to keep the flow and make these times safe. Also, please take care around the main gate when crossing the road and waiting for the gate to open.

Clubs have resumed. Thank you to all the staff that willingly give up their time to run free clubs. We are very lucky to have a wide selection of clubs. Please support the staff by making sure you are on time at 4:15pm to collect your child and if for any reason they are absent, please let the office know.

All the children have completed our termly Fire drill- they were very sensible and all left the building in an orderly manner within two minutes- the children experienced leaving the hall through different exits in the main hall-great job children!



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Our Forest Schools continues to be a great success. Thanks to Ms Reeves for all your hard work, preparation and lovely activities.

Our Value of the month is 'courage'. We supported the 'Wear Red for Velindre Day' on Friday 2nd February 2024. Thank you to all those who donated for this great cause.

Can I lastly, remind parents of the agreed school uniform, full details can be seen on our website. If you are buying foot wear, please can your purchase black shoes, boots or trainers-many thanks.

Have a lovely break over half term and enjoy your family time.

Best wishes,
Mrs S. M. Sibert



Our Forest Schools work continues to be a great success in Years 3 and 4...

Collection of children at the office/Data Collection:

Please notify the office prior to picking children up for appointments, you will be asked for evidence of the appointment. Please try to avoid collecting children ad hoc towards the end of the day, as they miss out on their learning and they should be in school for the full day.

Please can you let the office know if any of your details have changed -thank you.

Year 6 -Adventure week

Dolygaer Centre

We are very much looking forward to our visit on 11th-15th March 2024

This is a fantastic centre with really exciting activities. If you are interested in having a look, please use the link below:

<https://www.parkwoodoutdoors.co.uk/centre/dolygaer>



Diary Dates...

01:02:24- Proud to Present-January

02:02:24- Wear Red for Velindre –donations

06:02:24- Neon disco-PTA

07:02:24- Governors Leadership and Management and Full Governing Body Meeting/AGM

08:02:24- Year 3 Class assembly for parents

Inset Day 09/02/24-Joint Penarth Schools Cluster Day- curriculum

Half term-12th- 16th February

20:02:24- Visiting Headteacher and teacher from Penywaun Primary School

21:02:24- Criw Cymraeg –Urdd Games

22:02:24- Steve Lock assembly for Juniors

23:02:24- Deadline for St David's Day tasks

28:02:24- Year 6 to see High School Musical at St Cyres-transition

29:02:24- Proud to Present assembly

01:03:24- St David's Day celebrations

04-06:03:24- Parents' Evenings

11-15:03:24- Book Fair week/ Year 6 to Dolygaer Adventure week

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Keep up the excellent attendance

Attendance winners this month:

1st- 97.7% - Year 1

Superstar Corner

Congratulations to:

Proud to Present winners for January-

Science and Technology focus

Infant class— Year 2

Y3— Evie D

Y4— Theo L

Y5— Oliver H

Y6— Isaac D

Handwriting— Imran, Jack J, Sophie M and Albie HL

Criw Cymraeg—

Y1— Quinn

Y4— Luca

Y2- Eris

Y5— Dylan W

Y3— Isla O

Y6— Jacob P



St David's Day home task: The theme this year is 'Beth yw'r ots gennyf fi am Gymru?' or 'What does being Welsh mean to me?' To create a 3D model or 2D piece of artwork which shows the best things about being Welsh and living in Wales. Entries should seek to celebrate our 'Cynefin' which means our locality in a social and geographical context.



Please ensure that your child's name and year are clearly written on the back of their entry. Please ensure that all entries are in school by Friday 23rd February 2024 for them to be considered for judging throughout the week.

Diolch yn fawr a phob lwc!