



# Cogan Primary News

## 2023 Celebrating St David's Day and World Book Day...

This term continues and gets off to a busy start. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the week, lots of dressing up, fantastic activities and beautiful singing.

Our St David's day was a great success! The week has been planned with lots of Welsh themed assemblies and activities. We all had lots of fun, hearing a story, singing in Welsh and listening to and celebrating the competition winners. The children then carried out many inventive St David's day activities in their classes. At the end of the week, we had our remaining competition winners of the home tasks and our Charing of the Bard. Well done to Ella –our worthy Bard winner. The children entered many competitions and the work was as usual, of a very high standard. The theme of 'Cynefin' was the focus. It asked children to think about their locality and surroundings, celebrating our Welsh culture and heritage. Thank you to parents/grandparents for supporting this. It was great to see everyone and celebrate this special day. Our school choir also supported the community of Penarth, singing in Welsh at the town centre on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.

World Book Day saw children dressed as their favourite book characters. We had a visiting author and parent Laura Baker who led a whole school assembly followed by sessions with Reception and Year 6. The children are able to purchase Laura's books through Griffin Books, a letter has been sent out regarding this.

Our Picture Book Award has progressed. The shortlisted books, as voted for by the children has been announced. This year's award has been focused on 'Heroes'. The Short listed books are: Albert Supersize (Welsh and English versions) by Ian Brown and Eoin Clarke, Forest by Brenden Kearney, The Girl who Planted Trees by Caryl Hart and Anastasia Suvorova, Granny came here on the Empire Windrush by Patrice Lawrence and Camilla Sucre, The Can Caravan by Richard O'Neill and Cindy Kang and Little Santa by Jon Agee. Good luck to all of them for the final voting-to be announced in the summer.

Please can you contact Mrs Psarelis in the office on 02920 708497 if any of your personal details have changed, especially your email. Also, a reminder that we have a School App 'OurSchoolApp' which you can download to get regular updates of school events. The school website and Twitter feed are also a means of accessing information.



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There will be a Book Fair between 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> March. Books can be purchased after school, in the main hall. The PTA will be supporting this. It is Parents' Evenings too, so this should give everyone a chance to make a purchase, if they want to. Our value of the month is 'Happiness'- we are thinking about how 'it's good to be me' and how we can help and support others.

Best wishes,  
Mrs S. M. Sibert



## Be Cyber safe!

PC Reed has been into school to teach the Year 6 children all about being Cyber Safe.

Parents need to be informed of the latest cyber fads/trends. It is very important to know that most social media platforms state a recommended age of 13 years and above. 'WhatsApp' states you should be 16 years old and above.

Also, please can you remind your children that they should not be using offensive or racist language in messages to each other.

<https://schoolbeat.cymru/en/pupils/limitFlash/0/age/7-11/Be-Cyber-Safe/>  
<http://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>



Shh!.. We will be organising our Mother's day event this year. The children will be able to purchase a gift for their mum on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. All they need to do is bring in money (£2) and the staff will assist them to choose a gift and have it wrapped. Look out for the PTA information sheet/Twitter about this.



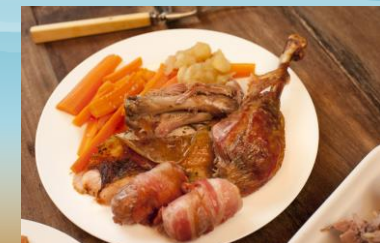
**RED  
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**Comic Relief Day-  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

The children are invited to wear Red and bring in donations on this day.

## Dinner Money increase

Dinner Money will be increasing to £2.50 a meal from 1st April 2023



## Superstar Corner

Congratulations to:

### **Proud to Present winners for February- Science & Technology focus**

Infant class— Year 1

Y3— Jake S

Y4— Zac S

Y5— Albie H-L

Y6— Shane E

Handwriting— Madison, Nyla G, Emily M and Zak K

Criw Cymraeg—

Y1— Edwyn    Y4— Hania

Y2- Nyla A-G        Y5— Kaelen M

Y3— Jaxon M    Y6— Tyler B



Attendance winners this month:

1<sup>st</sup>- 96.4% - Year 5



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## Diary Dates...

**Inset Days**

**26/05/23**

**24/07/23**



01:03:23- St David's day celebrations /Choir to sing at Penarth Town centre 11am

02:03:23- World Book Day Dads and Grandads reading session / Laura Baker Author assembly and sessions in Reception and Year 6 / Short list for Picture Book Award

03:03:23- Proud to Present / Chairing of the Bard- World Book day (Nursery)

6-9:03:23- Book Fair week- in main hall

6/7/8:03:23- Parents' Evenings

09:03:23- Rev Lock assembly

**13-17:03:23- Dolygaer Adventure week-Year 6**

16:03:23- Year 4 Penarth Library Visit for Mad Science

17:03:23- Red Nose Day/ Parents Forum-Positive Relationships Policy

17:03:23- Mother's Day purchases

21:03:23- Kiva Workshop (Soroptimists) – Penarth Cluster-annexe hall

22:03:23- School Council –joint St Cyres

23:03:23- The Vale Rights Ambassadors event

29:03:23- Year 5 –Trip to Warner Brothers' Studio/ 1:30pm Nursery New Parents visit

30:03:23- Year 2 class assembly

31:03:23- Rock Steady Concert

**3-14:04:23- Easter Break**





Happy St David's Day!  
Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus!

- Ysgol Gornad Cogan  
Dydd Gwyl Dewi  
01.03.23  
Order of Service
1. Mr Lewis-Bird Introduction.
  2. Whole School Song: Llawr or Llawr Môr
  3. Mrs Short-Resurrection (StPallus), Year 3 (Cantus), Year 3 (Choir) Singing: Announcement of services.
  4. Whole school song: Cefn Llyn
  5. Announcement of home competition for R-6 - 'A creative piece of artwork on the theme of Capan' which reveals our locality and heritage.
  6. Announcement of handwriting and poetry competition for Y3-6
  7. National Anthem: Mawr Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau (Everyone is Standing)
  8. Closing Prayer.







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