



Ysgol Gynradd Cogan Primary School

'Encourage Effort: Celebrate Success'

Newsletter November 2024



# Cogan Primary News

## Random acts of kindness and a packed diary...

The Care Campaigners, Learning Squad and Diversity Delegates are leading the way this month as we launch our 'School of Kindness' campaign. Please see over for an invitation to children, parents and anyone in our community to join us in a day of kindness. We are planning that everyone gets involved to carry our acts of random kindness on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Acts of kindness can be small or large, for example, paying someone a compliment, holding a door open or making someone a cup of tea. There are numerous ways we can spread the kindness and make someone's day lighter and better. So the children are asking- let's bring back some community spirit and work together to appreciate what we have and make lives more positive. Our values of the month are 'Friendship and love', so our kindness aims promote our values too.

Good news- one of our parents, Keiron Jones (Shane's dad) was nominated and was a finalist for the national Adult Learners Inspire Award. He kept that quiet! Congratulations to Keiron, so good to hear our growing opportunities for family engagement and learning are making a difference.

Congratulations also go to Rhys Strafford, who is our new parent governor. Rhys has a little boy, Ioan in Year 1. We look forward to you joining our Governing body. Many thanks to all our candidates, we were delighted to see so much interest in our school.

Please can I alert parents regarding the use of games such as 'Fortnite' –please read the guidance on the link below and ensure you supervise, perhaps having the gaming console where you can see and hear what is going on. We have had some reports of bad language and prolonged use, some of which is late at night or early in the morning. It is so important to keep our children safe. The age recommendation for this game is 12 or 13 and upwards. <https://www.childnet.com/blog/what-do-i-need-to-know-about-fortnite-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

Poppy merchandise will be on sale this week after school, on the main yard on Wednesday and Thursday-prices vary.

Friendship and Love are our values for this month. Everyone is trying hard to appreciate each other and showing friendship and love inside and outside school.

Best wishes,

Mrs S. M. Sibert

PS Christmas Concert Tickets on sale next week-see over for the details of how to buy them and some little requests...



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13<sup>th</sup> November 2024 is our

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Kindness day



Random Acts of Kindness Day

Let's get a better place to be kind to  
Kindness help. let's get a better place to be kind to  
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A random act of kindness can change someone's day

No act of kindness however small is ever wasted

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kindness  
help  
trust  
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happy  
together  
positive  
helping

be Kind

compassion

kindness costs nothing

charity





## Superstar Corner

Congratulations to:

### **Proud to Present winners for October –Mathematics and Numeracy**

Infant class— Year 1

Y3— Emmanuel

Y4— Thomas C

Y5— Anna S

Y6— Oli F

Handwriting— Giorgie B, Layla H, Jake S and Sophie M

Criw Cymraeg—

Y1— David O Y4— Imran E

Y2- Seren J Y5— Jack J

Y3— Edwyn Y6— Oliver H

Llongyfarchiadau to Evie D playing for Cardiff and Vale under 8 girls football team- winners of the tournament and Grace R for achieving her Stage 8 level 1 Gymnastics medal

Positive Relationships/being a good friend –

Rec- Rosie H Y3- Grace R Y6- Madeleine

Y1- Callie G Y4- Max A

Y2- Ella-J Y5- Chester F

**Introducing our Children's Rights Champions who will be attending the Super Ambassador event in January:**

**Eliza P and Zac S Year 6**



Instant Updates on (Twitter) X  
CoganPrimary @CoganPrimary



**Children In Need**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Please make a donation using the ParentPay link below and wear light coloured clothes to 'make life lighter'.**



**Attendance winners this month:**

1<sup>st</sup>- 97.5% -Year 3

2<sup>nd</sup> -96.9%- Year 2

3<sup>rd</sup> – 96.7% - Year 3

**Our Target is 96%**



# Diary Dates...

05/11/24- Year 6 PC Reed-Grooming and Child Sexual Exploitation

07/11/24- Welsh Water Assembly and workshops

12/11/24- Year 6 Cycling (four days)/ Concert tickets on sale after school in the Annexe Hall

13/11/24- Kindness Day- see overleaf/ Concert tickets on sale after school in the Annexe hall

14/11/24- Year 5 Class assembly

15/11/24- Children in Need day/ Drop in Community Connectors- Neuropathway- Ystafell Teulu

19/11/24- Llais Group

20/11/24- St Cyres Joint School council

22/11/24- Open Morning for New Nursery children joining in January

Wb 25/11/24- Clubs finish

26/11/24- Spare concert tickets on sale –main office

28/11/24- Proud to Present

02/12/24- Costumes in by today

06/12/24- Technical Rehearsal/ Rock Steady Concert 2pm for parents

09/12/24- Dress rehearsal

11 and 12/12/24- Christmas concerts

16/12/24- FC for EY/LP

17/12/24- Carol Service at Holy Nativity

18/12/24- Christmas lunch and Parties

19/12/24- Christmas Jumper day and trip to the Sherman. **End of Term**

20/12/24- Inset day-Twilight worked

**New term starts on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**



**Cogan Cuppa with the Headteacher -**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

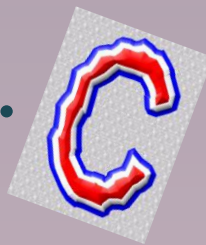
**In the Ystafell Teulu- Family Room at 9:10am-10:00am**

**Any parent wishing to join Mrs Sibert and Ms Gillingham for an informal chat and a cup of tea, please feel free to attend.**

**Reminder: Inset day- 20/12/24**



# Christmas planning...



## A polite plea....

Please make sure that you intend to stay for the whole performance if you purchase a ticket. Walking out part way through causes problems for the children coming on and off stage, blocking the limited central aisle and is also unfair on those performing later on!

We kindly request your cooperation in limiting baby noise during the concerts by leaving little ones at home if possible. This is to ensure that the children can fully enjoy the performance without any distractions. Nursery children will see the concert during school time.

Thank you for your understanding and support in creating a conducive environment for all the children to have a wonderful experience at the concerts.



## Christmas Concerts-'Countdown to Christmas'

We will be putting on four concerts (Rec-Year 6) in the main hall:

**Wednesday 11th December—1:15pm and 5:30pm**

**Thursday 12th December—9:30am and 1:15pm**



**Tickets will be on sale in the Annexe hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 3:20pm.**

The tickets will be sold on a first come first basis, two tickets per family to keep it fair. Any unsold tickets will then be firstly offered to families who haven't bought any, then the remaining tickets will be sold on **Tuesday 26th November at 3pm from the school office**, again on a first come first basis.

More details about concerts/costume arrangements to follow from class teachers soon.

Details of the Nursery concert will be sent out separately, it will be at **9:30am on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.**

