



Ysgol Gynradd Cogan Primary School

'Encourage Effort: Celebrate Success'

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Cogan Primary News

So great to see everyone back-a new era for CPS ...

September brings about a new era for Cogan Primary School. We are now one, with ages ranging from 3-11 years. It is great to be together as one. I have taken great delight in meeting all our new starters. The children are looking well rested and ready to learn. The new Curriculum for Wales starts officially from September 2022, although, as you know, we have been preparing for it for the last four years. We are confident that our planning and preparation will provide our children with the best possible education. More details about our curriculum can be found on our new website: www.coganprimaryschool.co.uk

The children are looking incredibly smart in their new uniforms and black shoes/trainers. Please can I make a plea for no logos or brand marks on leggings or shorts/joggers for PE days. Also, black footwear. This promotes school identity and togetherness. PE kit should only be worn on PE days. Please see the days your child has PE, all other days your child should be in grey trousers/skirts/dresses/tailored shorts.

Please can I request that all bring a named water bottle, each teacher will have a designated area for water bottles and the children will be encouraged to wash and refill them regularly. Hand washing will continue, but not as often as before, so hopefully we can continue to keep everyone healthy. We are maintaining good ventilation and being vigilant about illness.

We will be holding parents' evenings in early October to give you an opportunity to meet new teachers and find out about where your child is in their learning, more information next month.

Look out for an invitation to join your child's Goggle classroom. It is really important you can access this for homework and relevant class information. If you are having trouble, contact your child's class teacher.

Please note- we have changed one of our planned Inset day to Friday 23rd December (not Friday 28th October)-see over.

Our Value this month is 'Caring'. We will promoting a caring environment, full of kindness. I'm sure we will have a very successful term, with lots of learning and fun with our friends.

Best wishes,

S M Sibert *PS Don't forget there is provision for all Reception/Year 1/Year 2 to have a free school meal at lunchtime.*



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The new school year...

Inset Days...

05/09/22 06/09/22
23/12/22 **
17/02/23
26/05/23
24/07/23

**Please note this one
has changed from
28/10/22

Data Collection:

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

Updates:

We will still operate:

- The one way system for dropping off at the main site 8:55-9:05am and collecting 3:10-3:20pm
- For the Nursery drop off is 09:05am and 12:45pm; collect 11:45am and 3:15pm via a one way system too.
- Please ensure you stick to the designated area, coming in at the Cawnpore entrance and out through Pill Street main gate on the main site.



Attendance and lateness:

If your child has an appointment during the school day or is going to be late, please produce an appointment card/letter/email. It would be helpful if you could book dentist or doctors appointments outside of learning time if possible.
Let's maximise learning!



Wellies for all weathers – Nursery and Reception



Please can you bring in a pair of wellies with your child's name on to be kept in school. The Early Years will be out in all weathers!

Dinner Money is now £2.45 a meal-please pay in advance using ParentPay. New starters will be set up on ParentPay asap-we use this for trips too.

Diary Dates...

05:06:09:22- Inset Day –Safeguarding/First Aid/Fire Safety/Wellbeing/School Vision

12:09:22- All Reception start after initial days

Wb:12/09/22- Nursery new starters on given days

21:09:22- am 1000 voices choir rehearsal-Cardiff

22:09:22- CAVMS music sessions for years 3-6

26:09:22- This week after school clubs start – see timetable to follow. Pick up will be 4:15pm prompt at Cawnpore Street gate. /Llais groups pm.

27:09:22-Year 2 Trip to St Fagans

28:09:22- Standards and Provision Governors committee meeting

29:09:22- Proud to present whole school assembly

30:09:22- Individual Photographs- Colorfoto

30:09:22- End of Month ‘Uniform swap and grab’ in the playground

07:10:22- Parent Forum Meeting in the community room at **9:20am-10:15am**

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

TERM	BEGIN	HALF TERM		END	NO. OF SCHOOL
		Begin	End		
Autumn 2022	Monday 5th Sept 2022	Monday 31st Oct 2022	Friday 4th Nov 2022	Friday 23rd Dec 2022	75
Spring 2023	Monday 9th Jan 2023	Monday 20th Feb 2023	Friday 24th Feb 2023	Friday 31st March 2023	55
Summer 2023	Monday 17th April 2023	Monday 29th May 2023	Friday 2nd June 2023	Monday 24th July 2023	64
				TOTAL	194

Significant dates:	Christmas	Sunday 25 December 2022
	Easter	Good Friday 7 April 2023 Easter Monday 10 April 2023
	May Bank Holiday	Monday 1 May 2023

After School Clubs

A list of after school and lunchtime clubs will be sent home soon with a view to start them the week commencing Monday 26th September. There will be a homework club for Reception, year 1 and year 2 on Wednesday and years 3-6 on Mondays. Parents will need to request a place on the clubs letter slip on a first come, first served basis. Please remember though that if your child has a place in any club it is expected that they will attend, if for any reason they are unable to attend, you must let the office know—this helps us to keep them safe! Non attendance will result in someone else having the place.

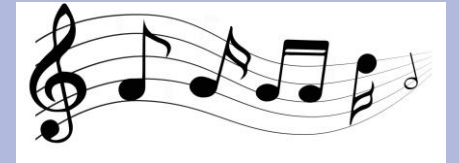
All clubs will run from 3:20-4:15pm. The children will be dismissed through the main gate on Cawnpore Street. Please ensure you are not late to pick up.



Music service lessons and school music

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 If your child would like to learn an instrument, please use the links/document sent to you by Mrs Psarelis in the coming weeks. The children will be having demonstrations on the 22nd September from Cardiff and Vale Music Service. Hopefully, we have some budding musicians who will be able to play at assemblies and our carol service in the future.

Also, Years 3, 4 and 5 will be partaking in a term of bespoke music throughout the year learning either percussion, drumming or the ukulele.



Uniform and PE days information

Uniform 'Swap and Grab'

At the end of each month, we plan to have a table of uniform available for parents and carers to take if they need it. If you have any items that your child has grown out of and is suitable to donate, please bring items in and add to the table. Thank you.

Class:	PE Days:
Nursery	Monday
Rec	Wednesday and Friday
1	Wednesday and Thursday
2	Wednesday and Friday
3	Monday and Thursday
4	Tuesday and Thursday
5	Tuesday and Thursday
6	Wednesday and Friday

**PE-Nursery/All
Please ensure
your child wears
joggers or
leggings (black)
with no buttons
or zips and hair
tied back for
Monday
Movers/PE days.**