

*'Living and growing together,
Learning that lasts forever.'*



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I hope you all had a lovely half term break. We have returned to Welsh Week activities and our Eisteddfod. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Welsh Art Gallery after school on Friday.

We continue to be vigilant and responsive to advice regarding the current Coronavirus scare. I have been advised to share the following with you:

As you will be aware, a confirmed case of Coronavirus has occurred in Swansea, following Public Health Wales advice all our Schools are open as normal. The actual risk remains low and no additional measures need to be taken above the advice already provided by Public Health Wales. If you need any further information please go to <https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/>

We were very proud to be notified that we have been shortlisted in this year's Show Racism the Red Card (SRTRC) competition, as well as the Butterfly Hunter creative literacy project. Our staff continue to go 'over and above' to ensure that your child has the best possible learning experiences. May I ask that staff are respected and supported in our joint efforts to achieve excellence.

Some Important Dates This Half-Term

Mon 24 th Feb	School reopens – Spring 2 begins
25 th Feb	PC Dan Underhill with Y3 & Y6
26 th Feb	String Sisters – Welsh Violinists' Performance
27 th Feb	F.Phase Gymnastics Workshops (then every Thurs for 6 weeks)
27 th & 28 th Feb	Y6 Bike-ability Training
28 th Feb	Welsh Harpist (pm) and after school Art Gallery (Welsh Week)
28 th Feb	HSA Welsh Costume Photos
2 nd March	Eisteddfod (pm)
3 rd March	Class 5 & 10 Trip – Wickedly Welsh
6 th March	World Book Day at Cwm Glâs
9 th March	'The Reluctant Dragon' theatre performance – F.Phase
11 th March	Funky Pump sessions with KS2 classes
13 th March	BBC Sports Relief (further details to follow)
18 th March	Class 4 Trip – Plantasia
20 th March	INSET DAY (3 of 6) CLOSED TO PUPILS
30 th March	Wales Outdoor Learning Week
31 st March	Parent Evening (1) 3:00-6:30pm
1 st April	Parent Evening (2) 3:00-5:00pm
1 st April	HSA Easter Raffle and Bunny Visit
Fri 3 rd April	Last day of ½ term

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Easter break

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Mon 20th April

School reopens for Summer Term

A Few Helpful Reminders

To help us work together, here are a few things that will help:

- **PE kits** are best kept in school to offer teachers flexibility
- **Fruit tuck** is £1 per week / 20p per day. Juniors have a Welsh Fruit Tuck Shop in the Hall, manned by the Healthy Schools Pupils
- **Wear uniform every day** – make use of the £1 Rail or buy uniform from the office. You can now also buy direct with Bergoni
- Children need to wear a coat to school in inclement weather, so that we can still go out at play times for fresh air and enjoy outdoor learning
- **Good attendance (90%+)** is essential for good progress at school
- **Good punctuality** helps children settle into their school day
- If your child has packed lunch, please support their healthy-eating by providing a healthy packed lunch box. Fizzy drinks and chocolate bars provide too much sugar (and calories) at lunchtime
- **Breakfast Club is a FREE provision** for all pupils. The door opens at 8:15 when we are ready to serve breakfast. PLEASE refrain from driving your car up the drive to drop off at this time. Pupils attending Breakfast Club will be served Breakfast. The door closes at 8:30. Supervision is offered on the Junior yard from 8:40. We advise F.Phase parents to remain with their child / children until the 8:45 buzzer
- If you ever experience difficulty with school trip payments, especially if you have a number of children at our school, please speak with the Headteacher



As you can see above, there is so much to look forward to as we creep closer to Easter. We have started to prepare our beautiful grounds for more outdoor learning opportunities. We hope that the weather will continue to improve as we approach the summer term.

Our F.Phase pupils are making very good progress against the Read Write Inc (RWInc) phonics scheme. We're really pleased that the investment and consistency is paying off. We were awarded a small grant to buy in ECO themed workshops, which start later this month. Likewise, we have received some extra funding for Health & Wellbeing activities, which we are using for workshops across the school. The money raised through our 'Sports for Schools' fundraiser will be used to buy new games / toys / equipment for playtimes on the yard.

Mrs K Davies remains on maternity leave, so Mrs R Batcup continues to be our Nursery teacher. Unfortunately, Mrs Ives is still ill, so Class 9 continues to be covered by Mrs James – we send Mrs Ives our best wishes.

Remember to use the Reading Buddy online platform to read often at home, making productive use of screen time for learning.

Our School Council have met with a playground structure designer, as they wish to design and install some play equipment on the KS2 Yard.

On Monday 29th June 2020, Cwm Glâs Primary School celebrates its 60th Birthday. There will be lots of fun, learning and community activities planned for the whole week. For now, put the date on your calendar.

For safety reasons, please **do not park** on our **double yellow lines** or drive your car up to the car park. Our aim is to minimise moving traffic as much as possible. Police will be patrolling the area in the near future. Likewise, we are a **NO SMOKING** site. Thanks for working in partnership with us.

Mr N Craven-Lashley - Headteacher



School success starts with attendance

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

During January and February, our attendance was excellent. Thank you for your support on this. Last half-term, Class 5 had the best attendance and enjoyed their movie treat with me as a reward. Obviously, if children are ill, the best place is at home until they are well. Other than that, I'd like to see pupils in school every day, learning and having fun.



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