



Nurture Achieve Celebrate

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Parent/Carer information – 31/01/2025

Value of the month
Self-Belief

Welsh Phrase of Week

 Arhoswch
Wait/Stop

Right of the month
Article 29
The right to be the
best you can be

Dear Parents/Carers, Annwyl Rhieni/Sy'n ofalwyr,

NSPCC Number Day



We will be taking part by completing lots of maths activities while raising money to support the NSPCC's vital services like Childline. All money donations will be appreciated.



Our Cwmffrwdroer challenge for Number Day is to find the heaviest potato and longest carrot! We are asking children to bring in a potato or carrot to help us!

Family Maths Mission

Thank you to those who entered our last baking challenge. We didn't have many entrants so these names will carry forward into the prize draw for February. The latest mission is at the end of the newsletter. For children who take part again, their names will go into the draw twice.



PTA News

We would like to inform you about a temporary change in our PTA leadership. Angharad Sault and Joanne Newman will be stepping in as co-chairs during this period. We appreciate their dedication and look forward to working together to make a positive impact on the pupils at Cwmffrwdroer.

Thank you to all the parents who expressed interest in joining our newly formed PTA. We are very pleased. From April, the PTA will be transferring to a PTFA (Parent, Teacher, Friends, Association).

If you are interested please contact Mr Wharton- whartonka@hwbcymru.net.

More information will be provided soon!

'Try Something New Day'

A huge congratulations to the 12 Year 5 pupils who took part in a "Try Something New Day" at Cwmbran Stadium! You all did an amazing job exploring different sports and showing great enthusiasm and determination. We hope this experience has inspired you to join a sports club outside of school. Thanks to Mrs Taylor for accompanying children to this event.





Valentine's Disco – Tuesday 11th February

PTA are busy organising the Valentine's Disco for later this term. Entry is £3. All tickets are to be purchased online using the links below.

Reception, Year 1 and year 2 – 3:15 – 4:15pm

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-xmkdppy>

Y3,4,5 and 6 – 4:30 – 5:30pm

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-yaxzrrl>

Big Boc's Bwyd

A reminder that our school's BBB is now open every Monday and Friday from 2:30 pm. Come by to purchase quality food and fresh vegetables at a pay-as-you-can price. It's a great way to support our community and enjoy some delicious, healthy options.

Parking outside school

Despite requests to parents not to park on the zig zag lines, staff have reported that parents' cars have been parked on the yellow zig zags this week in the mornings making visibility more difficult. The risk of not seeing a child walking across the road is far higher.

Parking here places our children's lives at risk!



Attendance

#NotInMissOut

Regular and punctual attendance at school or alternative provision is a legal requirement and is essential to enable children to maximise their educational attainments and opportunities available to them.

Unless pupils are unwell, they should be in school.

Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN)

Fixed Penalty Notices will be issued 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absences.

Please note that no absences will be authorised unless attendance is 95% or above.





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Class attendance is rewarded weekly with the Class Attendance Cup and a non-uniform day and squash and biscuits.

Reporting Absences and Appointments


A polite reminder that absences are to be reported through the main office number; 01495 742761 where you also have the option to leave a message. These are monitored regularly. Please be aware any absences without a provided reason will be unauthorised. Thank you. A reminder that registration is at 9.00am, please ensure children arrive before this to avoid any late marks.

If you need to take your child to an appointment in school hours, please bring an appointment card/letter to the school office or you can email the office clerk.cwmffrwdorprimary@torfaen.gov.uk. We understand this is not always accessible in some circumstances but this will be required if attendance is already a concern.

Attendance Figures - Strive for 95%

Our attendance target is 95% for whole school.

Whole School Attendance	91.2%
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Class	% Weekly Attendance	 Dosbarth Rhossili will have non-uniform day next Friday!
Dosbarth Poppit Sands	86.6	
Dosbarth BaraFundle	93.8	
Dosbarth Ogmore	89.3	
Dosbarth Tresaith	91.7	
Dosbarth Aberdovey	95.2	
Dosbarth Pwll Du	90.9	
Dosbarth Rhossili	97.5	
Dosbarth Abersoch	94.3	

Diary Dates for Spring and Summer term.

Dates for some events in summer term such as Sports Week and Summer Fete have not yet been confirmed.

February	Value of month - Trust LGBT+ History Month
11/02/25	Safer Internet Day





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03/02/25 - 09/02/25	Children's Mental Health Week
07/02/25	NSPCC Number Day
21/02/25	School Eisteddfod (early due to residential visit in March)
21/02/25	End of half term - FINISH NORMAL TIME
24/02/25 - 28/02/25	Half term
March	Value of month - Patience
3/03/25	Return to school
3/03 - 7/03/25	Y5/6 Residential Visit - 'Farms for City Children'
6/03/25	World Book Day
8/03/25	International Women's Day
07/03/25 - 16/03/25	British Science Week
14/03/25	Holi Festival (Hindu)
Week beg. 17/03/25	Parent Teacher Consultations (PTCs)
Week beg. 31/03/2025	Curriculum Celebration Events Parents/carers will be invited into school to celebrate and share pupils' learning.
April	Value of month - Happiness Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month
2/04/25	World Autism Awareness Day
11/04/25	End of Spring term - FINISH AT 1:30PM
14/04 - 25/04/25	Easter holidays
28/04/25	Return to school summer term
May	Value of Month - Honesty
5/05/25	May Day Bank holiday
6/05/25	INSET day - closed to pupils
19/5/25	walk to School week
23/5/25	End of half term - FINISH NORMAL TIME
26/5 - 30/5/25	Half term
2/06/25	INSET day - school closed to children
June	Value of Month - Diversity
3/06/25	School reopens for children
22/06/25	Windrush Day
July	Value of Month - Community
18/07/25	End of Summer Term for children - FINISH AT 1:30PM
21/07/25	INSET day for staff



Paul Klee Inspired Maths

Who was Paul Klee?

Paul Klee was one of the most famous painters of the 20th century. He made over 10,000 paintings and drawings in his lifetime and his artwork is displayed in museums all over the world.

He was influenced by movements such as cubism, surrealism and expressionism but also appreciated the simplicity of children's art (shown in the examples below).



Castle and Sun



Red Bridge

Klee liked to paint structures in their simplest form, portraying buildings, bridges and towers as a series of two dimensional shapes to create city scenes. You will spot a coloured rectangle in several of his works!

Why not create your own Paul Klee inspired Artwork

Think about how you can fit triangles, rectangles, squares and circles to make your own castle or city scene. You may choose to draw your own shapes using a pencil and ruler or perhaps you have objects at home you could draw around.

Paul Klee cleverly used colour to give depth to his city. What colours will you use?



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You could even cut out shapes from coloured paper.



Can you fill the paper without overlapping any shapes?

Further challenges

- Count the number of each shape you have used and create a bar graph.
- Work out what fraction of your art work is taken up by each shape.



Why's this maths?

You're exploring shape properties (sides, corners and vertices) as you fit them together to design your art work. You will be interpreting and recording data when you create your graph and investigating fractions in a creative way.

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