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Parent/Carer information – 14/02/2025

Value of the month  
Trust



Welsh Phrase of Week

Beth wyt ti'n hoffi  
gwneud?

What do you like to do?

Right of the month  
Article 17  
Right to information  
from the media

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



Eisteddfod Day – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

Our School Eisteddfod will take place early this year due to the residential trip for Year 5 and Year 6 children taking place in early March. Our Eisteddfod will be held in school next Friday and we will be celebrating all things Welsh. Children have been busy working on creative writing, art work, singing and their performance skills and these will all be showcased next week. Children will also be making food items to sample on the day.

We ask that children are dressed in any of the following:

Traditional Welsh clothing, Welsh themed clothing or house colours.

Unfortunately, due to the size of our hall, we are unable to accommodate parents/carers into school for our Eisteddfod.

Cwmffrwdroer enters the London Marathon!

Sponsored Event



We are thrilled that Mrs Maguire has secured a place in the London Marathon in April following a nomination from 'RunWales'. Cath Bingham from 'RunWales' was very impressed with how Mrs Maguire has inspired children with her love for running.

"Run Wales are delighted to hear of the inspirational work going on at Cwmffrwdroer Primary school this Spring term! Having joined in previously with their Daily Mile, we are well aware that they are a health and wellbeing focused school where learners are given ample opportunity to become healthy, confident individuals!

Anna Maguire is an incredible advocate for creating physical activity habits for life! Her ongoing commitment to The Daily Mile, Mini London Marathon in schools and other physical activity





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initiatives is admirable; the young people and staff of Cwmffrwdor Primary are fortunate to have such an inspirational role model within their community.

We are excited to follow their journey in the lead up to the London Marathon this year!"

Mrs Maguire will be sponsored and all monies raised will go towards providing better outdoor areas for our children to enjoy in our playgrounds and grounds.

We have also registered for the 2025 Mini London Marathon in schools in support of Mrs Maguire. Children will be sponsored to complete two miles in our school grounds between 28<sup>th</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

## Governing Body Parent/Carer Representative Vacancy

If you would like to be more involved in your child's education, why not consider becoming a school governor? We currently have a vacancy on Cwmffrwdor Primary's Governing Body. Governors make decisions about many aspects of the school including the curriculum, staffing and the school's finances. In case you feel a little apprehensive about the responsibilities of the role the Education Achievement Service for SE Wales (EAS) offer training to assist you.

Please click on the following link for further information.

<https://sites.google.com/nwbcymru.net/schoolgovernors/could-you-be-a-school-governor>

If you are interested, please look out for information regarding the election of parent governors and nomination forms which are under the News/Letters Home section on the school website. These will need to be returned by email to [clerk.cwmffrwdorprimary@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.cwmffrwdorprimary@torfaen.gov.uk)

by the 21<sup>st</sup> February

## NSPCC Number Day



Our Cwmffrwdor challenge for Number Day was to find the heaviest potato and longest carrot! Thank you for sending so many carrots and potatoes into school last Friday. There were so many fun maths lessons going on throughout the school and prizes for 'winners' in each class. Thanks



to Mrs Howells for organising.

## Family Maths Mission

Remember, the latest Maths Challenge is at the end of the newsletter. All children who enter will have their names entered into the draw for February.





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## Valentine's Disco

Thank you to our dedicated PTA group who organised a fantastic disco event for our children this week. The discos raised £415.85. All monies raised will directly benefit school.

## Big Bocs 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

Polite reminder that the car park is for staff and school transport vehicles only. The gates are electronic and open and close at set times. School will not be held responsible if you are parked in the carpark without authorisation and are unable to exit the car park.



## 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.

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.





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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	91.7%
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Class	% Weekly Attendance	 Dosbarth Barafundle will have non-uniform day next Thursday!
Dosbarth Poppit Sands	91.9	
Dosbarth Barafundle	95	
Dosbarth Ogmored	89.6	
Dosbarth Tresaith	94.8	
Dosbarth Aberdovey	88.9	
Dosbarth Pwll Du	94.8	
Dosbarth Rhossili	94.6	
Dosbarth Abersoch	83.8	

## Food and Wellbeing Camps in half term

Torfaen Play are running play opportunities during February Half Term in George Street Primary which is also available to pupils in our school (ages 5-11 years old). Parents/carers can express interest using the link below.

The camp is running on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 10:00am-3:00pm. Children will be provided with a free healthy lunch on all 3 days.





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**Torfaen Play & Short Breaks Service**

**FREE**

**FOOD AND WELLBEING CAMPS**

Working in partnership with Torfaen Catering

Tuesday 25th February  
Wednesday 26th February  
Thursday 27th February  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Ages 6 to 11 years

**FREE LUNCH PROVIDED DAILY FREE OF CHARGE**

**Pre booking required**

Places are limited so book early!

For more information please contact:

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## 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
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)
26.03.25 9:30	ASD Coffee and Chat Hosted by Cheryl Deneen
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





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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 20<sup>th</sup> 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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