

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Thursday 4th September 2026

Newsletter



‘creating a **C**aring, **R**espectful,
Open **E**nvironment
where **S**uccess and
Oppportunity flourish’

This Week's Information

Dear Families,

As we begin this new school year, I have been delighted to see how quickly our children have settled back into school life.

It has been especially wonderful to welcome our new Nursery and Reception pupils, along with children who have joined us across different year groups throughout the school. Starting somewhere new can be both exciting and daunting, but our newest members of the Pentrepoeth family have shown great confidence, enthusiasm and resilience. I would also like to thank our staff, pupils and families for helping to create such a warm and caring environment where everyone feels valued and included.

I have thoroughly enjoyed visiting classes this week and seeing the fantastic learning already taking place. I was particularly pleased to meet the children who earned a place in my 'Red Book' for their amazing work, effort and positive attitudes. They demonstrated excellent pride in their learning and set a wonderful example for others to follow. It has been a fantastic start to the term, and I am incredibly proud of how our pupils are embracing new opportunities, showing kindness to one another, and demonstrating our school values of Manners, Respect and Kindness every day. I look forward to celebrating many more successes together throughout the year ahead.

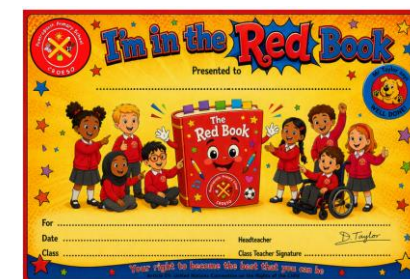
As promised, please find an initial list of calendar dates and events for the term. Keep checking back as more will be added every week!

After school clubs will begin the week commencing Monday 14th September. A full list of clubs will be sent out in next week's newsletter and clubs will be available to book on ParentPay on Friday 11th September

Year 3's school trip to Fonmon Castle, which was postponed in the Summer term due to the Red heat warning has been rearranged for Thursday 10th September. More details can be found [here](#)

Have a lovely weekend,

Dean Taylor
Headteacher



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Dates for Your Diary

• FOR FAMILIES •



More details about each event will be sent out nearer the time.

DATE	EVENT / ACTIVITY	TIME	DETAILS
TUE 1 Tuesday 1 st September	Start of Autumn Term	—	Welcome back! We look forward to seeing you all.
THU 10 Thursday 10 th September	Year 3 Fonmon Castle Trip	All Day	More details to follow.
MON 14 Monday 14 th September	Reverend Summers Assemblies	10:10am – 10:50am	Parents and carers welcome to attend.
MON 28 Monday 28 th September	PTA – AGM	7:00pm – 8:00pm	All parents and carers welcome to attend.
TUE 29 Tuesday 29 th September	Harvest Assembly	9:00am – 10:00am	Pupils to bring tinned and packed food donations for a local food bank.



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THU 1 Thursday 1st October	Cauliflower Cards to be sent home to families	3:15pm – 3:30pm	
	National Poetry Day – Activities in class	All Day	
FRI 2 Friday 2nd October	INSET DAY INSET Day 1 – School Closed for Pupils	All Day	School Closed for Pupils
MON 5 Monday 5th October	Reverend Summer – Harvest Assemblies	10:10am – 10:50am	
TUE 6 Tuesday 6th October	Flu Immunisations	All Day	
	Understanding Emotions Workshop – Year 5	9:00am – 10:00am	
FRI 9 Friday 9th October	Cauliflower Cards Returned to School by this Date	All Day	
	Down Syndrome Awareness Day – Pupils can wear odd socks on this day.	All Day	
TUE 13 Tuesday 13th October	Parent Forum & Coffee Morning	9:00am – 10:00am	
MON 19 Monday 19th October	School Photo Day	All Day	
TUE 20 Tuesday 20th October	PTA School Disco – Reception, Year 1 and 2	3:15pm – 4:15pm	
	PTA School Disco – Years 3 to 6	4:30pm – 5:30pm	
WED 21 Wednesday 21st October	Year 6 Values Assembly and PACT - Peace	9:15am – 10:30am	
THU 22 Thursday 22nd October	Parent Workshop – Helping your child in Reception	9:00am – 10:00am	
	Year 6 Visit to Crucial Crew – Raglan Barracks	9:15am – 12:00pm	
FRI 23 Friday 23rd October	End of Half Term	3:15pm – 3:30pm	
MON 26 TO FRI 30 Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October	October Half Term	All Week	



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MON 9	Reverend Summers Assemblies	10:10am – 10:50am	
TUE 10	Parent Consultations – Night 1	3:30pm – 6:30pm	
WED 11	Parent Consultations – Night 2	3:30pm – 6:30pm	
FRI 13	Children in Need	All Day	
MON 16	Parent Workshop – Understanding Additional Learning Needs Followed by ALN Coffee Morning at 10am	9:00am – 11:00am	
TUE 17	Year 5 Values Assembly and PACT – Equality – Families are welcome to attend.	9:15am – 10:30am	
WED 25	Reverend Summers – Christingles workshops – Nursery to Year 2	9:00am – 1:30pm	
MON 30	Parent Workshop – How we teach, how children learn	9:00am – 10:00am	



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DECEMBER



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DATE	EVENT / ACTIVITY	TIME	DETAILS
THU 3 Thursday December	St Basil's Church - Christmas Tree Festival - Choir Blackwood Cinema Trip - Reception to Year 2	6:00pm - 7:30pm 9:00am - 12:30pm	
FRI 4 Friday December	Blackwood Cinema Trip - Year 3 to Year 6	9:00am - 12:30pm	
MON 7 Monday December	Nursery am and pm Christmas Concert Reception Christmas Concert	9:15am - 9:45am 2:00pm - 3:00pm	
TUE 8 Tuesday December	Reception Christmas Concert Year 5 & 6 Christmas Concert	9:30am - 10:30am 2:00pm - 3:30pm	
WED 9 Wednesday December	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Concert Year 1 & 2 Christmas Concert	9:30am - 11:00am 2:00pm - 3:00pm	
THU 10 Thursday December	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Concert Year 3 & 4 Christmas Concert	9:30am - 10:30am 2:00pm - 3:15pm	
FRI 11 Friday December	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Concert	9:30am - 10:45am	



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MON 14 Monday December	🎵 Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert Rehearsal at St Basils	10:00am - 11:30am	
TUE 15 Tuesday December	Stories with Santa - Nursery to Year 2 Stories with Santa - Nursery pm Christmas Parties - Reception to Year 2 Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert - St Basils	9:00am - 12:00pm 1:00pm - 1:30pm 1:30pm - 3:00pm 6:00pm - 7:00pm	
WED 16 Wednesday December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Parties	1:30pm - 3:00pm	
THU 17 Thursday December	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Parties	1:30pm - 3:00pm	
FRI 18 Friday December	Carols by Candlelight - Reception to Year 2 (In School - Pupils Only) Carols by Candlelight - Years 3 to 6 (In School - Pupils Only) End of Autumn Term	10:00am - 10:45am 11:00am - 12:00pm 3:15pm - 3:30pm	



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PE AND FOREST SCHOOL

INFORMATION



School Uniform and PE Kit



Jewellery – must not be worn to school for PE.



Labels – Please could all parents ensure all pupils' clothes, PE kits, bags etc. are all clearly labelled with names.



Pupils can wear their PE kits to school on their PE and forest school days. These are listed below.

Year Group	Day	Activity
Reception	Monday	Forest School + PE (Indoor)
Year 1	Monday	Forest School + PE (Indoor)
Year 2	Tuesday	PE (Indoor)
	Friday	Forest School + PE (Outdoor)
Year 3	Tuesday	Forest School + PE (Outdoor)
	Friday	PE (Indoor)
Year 4	Tuesday	Forest School + PE (Outdoor)
	Wednesday	PE (Indoor)
Year 5	Tuesday	PE (Indoor)
	Wednesday	Forest School + PE (Outdoor)
Year 6	Wednesday	Forest School + PE (Outdoor)
	Thursday	PE (Indoor)



THANK YOU

for helping us make sure our pupils are ready to learn!



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WHAT TO WEAR AT FOREST SCHOOL?



WINTER



Children will not be wearing their school coat for these sessions. In very cold weather, please supply extra layers or an old jacket in your kit, which keeps in the heat and can be removed if needed.



- Thermal underwear Vest



- Long sleeved t-shirt/shirt



- Long trousers or jeans



- Jumper/fleece



- Warm hat



- Gloves - not mittens



- Wellies (preferred) with warm socks or hard shoes



- Socks - a change of socks, especially if you are wearing tights



- Old coat or jacket



SUMMER

Children require the following clothing, as this helps protect them from scratches, nettle stings, bites, the weather and sunburn:



- Long sleeved t-shirt/shirt (no crop tops)



- Long trousers or jeans



- Jumper/fleece



- Sun hat



- Wellies (preferred) with socks, hard shoes or old trainers



- Extra Socks (spare or for if wearing tights)



- Coat/jacket or rain mac (not their school one)



Hair over shoulder length will need to be tied back for safety.



Let your child know that at Forest School they CAN GET DIRTY, and you don't mind.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM DATES & INSET DAYS

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2026-27 TERM DATES



AUTUMN TERM

Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026
Half term: Monday 26 October 2026
to Friday 30 October 2026
Ends: Friday 18 December 2026



SPRING TERM

Starts: Monday 4 January 2027
Half term: Monday 8 February 2027
to Friday 12 February 2027
Ends: Friday 19 March 2027



SUMMER TERM

Starts: Monday 5 April 2027
Half term: Monday 31 May 2027
to Friday 4 June 2027
Ends: Tuesday 20 July 2027



2027-28 TERM DATES



AUTUMN TERM

Starts: Thursday 2 September 2027
Half term: Monday 25 October 2027
to Friday 29 October 2027
Ends: Friday 17 December 2027



SPRING TERM

Starts: Tuesday 4 January 2028
Half term: Monday 21 February 2028
to Friday 25 February 2028
Ends: Friday 7 April 2028



SUMMER TERM

Starts: Monday 24 April 2028
Half term: Monday 29 May 2028
to Friday 2 June 2028
Ends: Friday 21 July 2028



INSET DAYS SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS



Friday 2nd October 2026



Monday 18th January 2027



Friday 5th February 2027



Monday 21st June 2027



Monday 19th July 2027



Tuesday 20th July 2027



Please note: INSET days are subject to change. We will inform parents of any updates.



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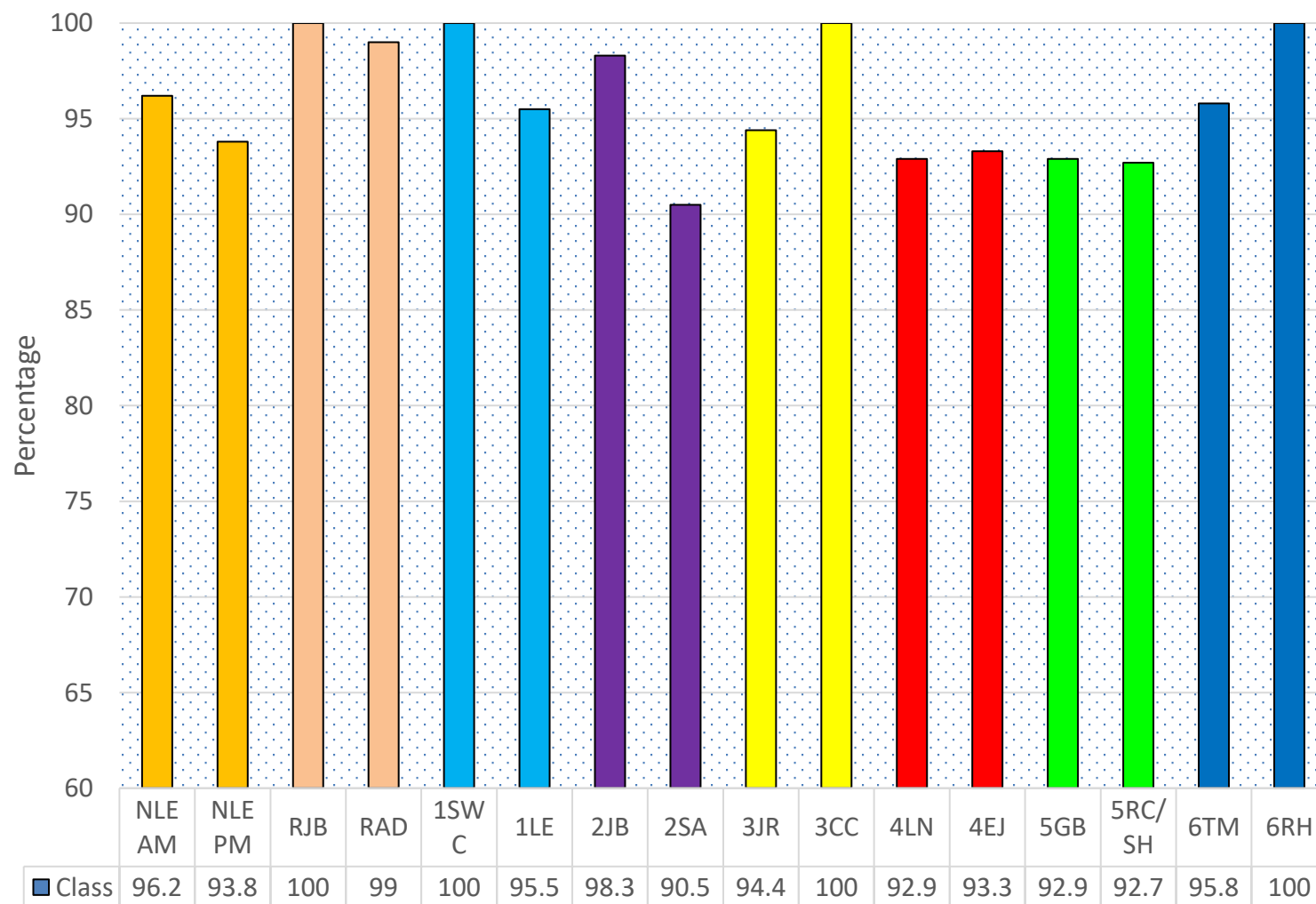
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Attendance



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS



100%

• not missing any lessons during term time.
Present for all lessons activities and social time



95%

• missing in excess of two weeks of education.
Absent from the classroom for up to three weeks and the loss of a significant amount of education



Under 92%

• missing more than 3 weeks of education.
A serious loss of learning which is likely to have a detrimental effect on your child's achievement and life chances

"Punctual and regular school attendance is an essential requirement for successful learning from the time a child starts school".



Well done to four of our classes this week, for getting 100% attendance.

Fantastic effort!

