

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Monday 20th October 2025

Newsletter



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

This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

Parent Consultations – Will be taking place on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th of November. A link for booking an appointment should have now been sent to parents. If you encounter any issues with this please contact the school office.

Parent workshop – We will be holding a parent workshop on our curriculum here at Pentrepoeth on Tuesday 21st October at 9am in the school foyer. All parents/carers are welcome to attend.

Year 5 Values Assembly and PACT - Year 5 will be performing their values assembly on Determination on Wednesday 22nd October. This will be followed by a small craft activity. Parents/carers are welcome to join us in the school hall. The assembly will start at 9:15am and PACT should finish no later than 10:30am. Could parents/carers please wait outside the main office doors before the doors open.

PTA School Disco – Our PTA will be running their school disco this Wednesday. Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and 2 can come to school in their disco clothes. Reception, Year 1 and 2 disco will run from 3:15pm until 4:15pm. Pupils will need to be collected from their classroom doors. The disco for Years 3 to 6 starts at 4:30pm and ends at 5:30pm. Pupils will need to enter school through their external classroom doors (Mrs Jones' Year 5 class will need to enter through the main front office doors) All pupils in Years 3 to 6 **MUST** be collected by an adult at 5:30pm. Pupils will be dismissed through their external classroom doors (Mrs Jones' class will be dismissed through the main front office door)

Year 6 Trip – As part of our PSE and Safety curriculum, Year 6 have been invited to attend a range of workshops in collaboration with a range of charities, agencies and organisations at Raglan Barracks. This will take place during a morning session on Thursday 23rd October. Permission for this trip can be given on Parent Pay.

After School Clubs – Will be changing slightly after half term. A list of clubs after half term can be found further on in this newsletter. Bookings for new clubs will be available on Parent Pay by the end of the week.

Half Term – A reminder that the school is closed next week for October half term (Monday 27th to Friday 31 October)

INSET Day – A reminder that the school will be closed on the first day back after half term on Monday 3rd November for staff training. Pupils will return after half term on Tuesday 4th November.

Kind regards,

Dean Taylor
Executive Headteacher

Richard Cleaves
Head of School

EVERYONE IS WELCOME IN OUR SCHOOL.
No one is the same, but everyone is equal.



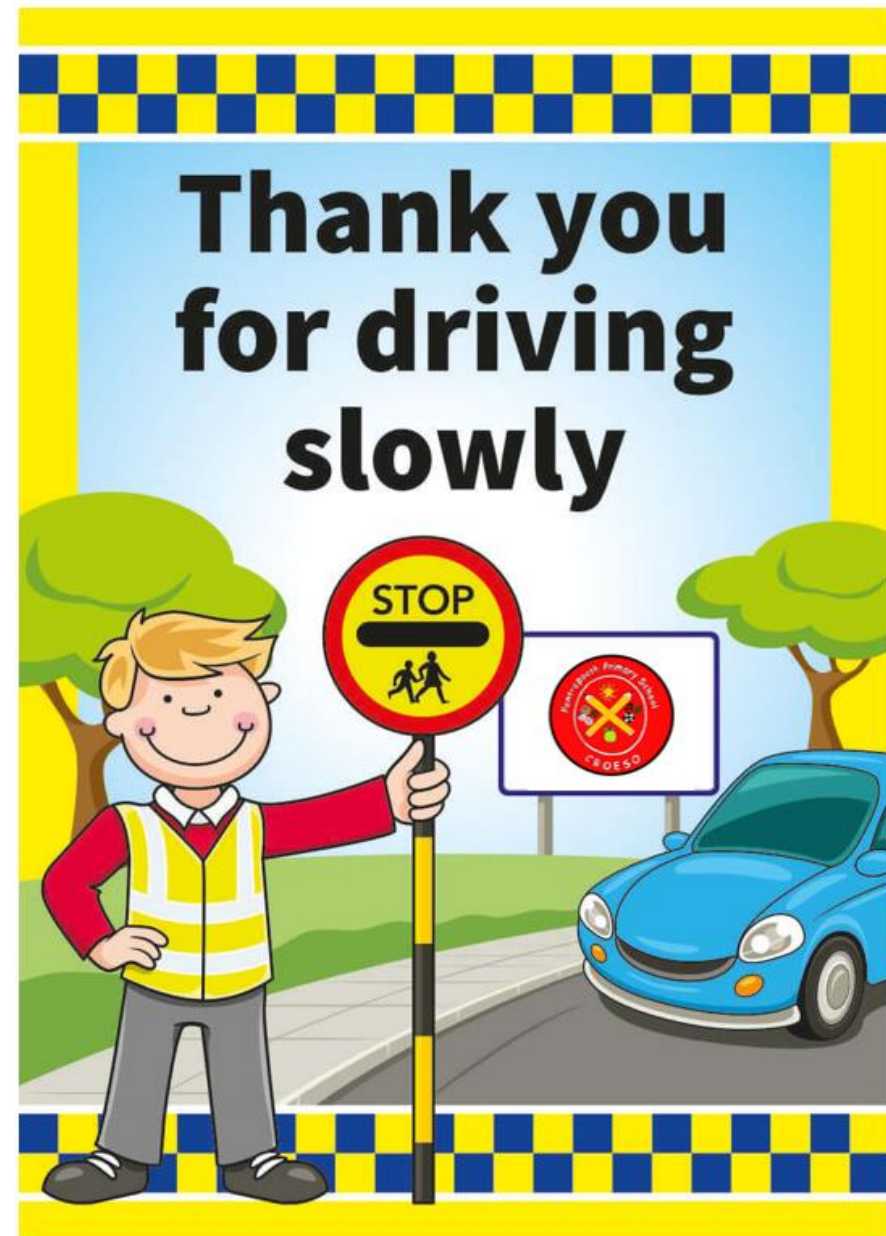
Keeping Our School Safe

We'd like to kindly remind all our parents and carers to take extra care when driving near the school, especially at drop-off and pick-up times. The roads can get very busy, and by keeping speeds low and staying alert, we can help make the area safer for everyone — especially our children.

Please also be mindful of pedestrians and other vehicles when parking or turning near the school gates.

Our local PCSOs will be carrying out extra patrols around collection times to support safe driving and parking, and we really appreciate everyone's help in keeping our school community safe and caring.

Thank you for your continued support and consideration.



Keeping Children Safe

Your child's safety is our top priority. We know that a secure, nurturing environment is essential for children to thrive both academically and emotionally. Here's a snapshot of the steps we take every day to ensure their wellbeing:

Safeguarding and Supervision

- All staff are trained in safeguarding protocols and child protection procedures.
- Designated Safeguarding Persons (DSPs) and deputies are available to respond to concerns swiftly and sensitively. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Pupils are supervised at all times during the school day, including break and lunch times.

Secure Premises

- Controlled access to the school building with visitor sign-in and ID checks.
- Perimeter fencing monitoring to ensure site security.
- Regular safety audits and risk assessments of the school grounds.

Emotional and Mental Wellbeing

- Staff trained in mental health, first aid and trauma-informed approaches.
- Safe spaces and pastoral support available for children who need a listening ear.
- Anti-bullying policies actively promoted through assemblies and classroom activities. Click [here](#) for more information.

Health and Safety

- Regular fire drills and lockdown procedures practiced with pupils.
- First aid trained staff on site at all times.
- Hygiene protocols and illness prevention measures in place.

Safe Travel and Pick-Up

- Clear drop-off and pick-up procedures to ensure children leave with trusted adults.
- Road safety education
- Bike and pedestrian safety workshops offered throughout the year.

Online Safety

- Age-appropriate digital literacy lessons to help children navigate the online world safely. Click [here](#) and [here](#) for more information.
- Internet filters and monitoring systems in place on school devices.
- Parent workshops and resources to support safe technology use at home. Look out for these in the spring term.

We believe that safety is a shared responsibility. If you ever have concerns or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out to our safeguarding team or school office. Together, we can continue to build a safe, supportive environment for every child.





October 2025

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PTA NEWSLETTER

LATEST NEWS



Following our AGM our new committee for 2025/2026:

Co-chairs: Gemma Beer and Jen Hill.

Co-Treasurers: Sophie Milliar and Jodie Powell.

Secretary: Melissa O'Connor.

Members: Stephanie Dean, Becky Greedy, Hannah Lacey, Amy Mostert, Katie Parish, Nicola Owen, Hayley Poyner and Claire Rees-Edwards.

If you would like a copy of the AGM minutes, chair report or treasurer report please email us.



PTA NEWSLETTER

COMING SOON

PTA PRESENTS:

RECEPTION, YEARS 1 & 2 DISCO

DJ CLEAVES

Wed OCT 22	15:15 - 16:15 £2 entry includes sweets & drinks station Payment via Parentpay
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Children can wear their party clothes to school.
Collection at 16:15 from you child's classroom exit

If you are able to help at the disco please scan the QR code or email us

PTA PRESENTS

YEAR 3 - 6 DISCO PARTY

DJ CLEAVES

WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2025
16:30 TO 17:30

£2.00 ENTRY

ENTRY INCLUDES SWEETS/WATER/DRINKS STATION

HOTDODGS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE TUCK SHOP

CHILDREN TO ENTER AND EXIT VIA THEIR CLASSROOMS

PAYMENT VIA PARENTPAY

PTA Disco Wed 22 October
WhatsApp group

If you are interested in helping plan, prep or support PTA events in any way - please send us an email to pentrepoethpta@gmail.com and we will add you to our PTA helpers WhatsApp group.



PTA NEWSLETTER



Save the date:

If you are able to help out at our festive fun day, please contact us. We cannot run the event without enough volunteers



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PTA NEWSLETTER



Welcome to Pentrepoeth Primary school pre-loved uniform shop

Weekly collections

Reservations/purchases to be made via this page or contact me directly

Payments to be made via parent pay

Logo Items £2 Non logo items £1.00

Donations can be made via class teachers or donations box outside reception



Pentrepoeth PTA Helpers WhatsApp group



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Years 3 to 6

Extra Curricular Clubs

Second half term

After school clubs will be split into a half term blocks – These clubs will be running

Dates – W/C 03/11/25, W/C 10/11/25, W/C 17/11/25, W/C 24/11/25 W/C 01/12/25 W/C 08/12/25

There will be no clubs running on the last week of term – Week Commencing – 15.12.25

Day	Club	Year Groups	Time	Teacher
Monday	Choir	Years 3 to 6	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Gwent Music & Mrs Jones
Monday	Gardening	Year 4	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Willmore
Tuesday	Rugby	Years 5 & 6	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Merriman
Tuesday	Chess	Year 3	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Nocivelli
Thursday	Football	Year 5	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Woodham
Thursday	Netball	Years 5 & 6	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mrs Ahern

Pupils in Year 3 will need to be collected from club

Years 4, 5 and 6 will need to complete the walking home questions when booking on Parent Pay

Pupils attending football club will need to wear football boots and shin pads

Clubs will be available to book on Parent Pay by the end of the week.

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Reception, Years 1 and 2

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Monday	Fun & Fitness	RAD (Mrs Drummond)	3.15pm – 4.00pm	Mr Brewer & Mrs Drummond
Tuesday	Sketch Club	2JB (Mrs Beard)	3.15pm – 4.00pm	Miss Blair
Tuesday	Dance/Yoga Club	1SWC (Mrs Williams- Chard)	3.15pm – 4.00pm	Mrs Williams-Chard

Pupils can be collected from the main office doors for these clubs at 4.00pm

Clubs will be available to book on Parent Pay by the end of the week

Admissions


Reception (Primary)

Children can start Reception the September following their 4th birthday.

You can choose Welsh-medium, English-medium or a faith-based education. You do not need to be a Welsh speaker for your child to attend a Welsh-medium setting.

Even if your child has not previously attended a Welsh-medium school or spoken Welsh at home, we welcome enquiries from parents who want to transfer their child to Welsh-medium education.

Pupils can be given extra language support in an immersion setting to transfer. This is usually successful. To find out more visit our [changing to a Welsh-medium school webpage](#).

Further information on our immersion unit can be found on our [YouTube channel](#) .

Contact us

Email: school.admissions@newport.gov.uk

Admission 2026

Eligible children's date of birth - 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022

Application	Date
Opening date	13 November 2025
Closing date	15 January 2026 (5pm)

Click [here](#)



Admissions


Year 7 (Secondary)

Children transfer to secondary school (Year 7) the September after their 11th birthday.

You can choose [Welsh-medium](#), English-medium or a faith-based education. You do not need to be a Welsh speaker for your child to attend a Welsh-medium setting.

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Admission 2026

Eligible children's date of birth - 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015

Application	Date
Opening date	19 September 2025
Closing date	31 October 2025 (5pm)

Click [here](#).



Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

2025-26

Autumn term

Starts: Monday 1 September 2025

Half term: Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025

Ends: Friday 19 December 2025

Spring term

Starts: Monday 5 January 2026

Half term: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026

Ends: Friday 27 March 2026

Summer term

Starts: Monday 13 April 2026

Half term: Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026

Ends: Monday 20 July 2026

INSET Days – School is closed for children:

- Monday 1st September 2025
- Monday 3rd November 2025
- Thursday 18th December 2025
- Friday 19th December 2025
- Friday 13th February 2026
- Monday 20th July 2026

2026-27

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

Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

September		
Monday 1 st September	All Day	INSET DAY 1 - School Closed
Monday 15 th September	All Day	Pupils to bring food donations for local food banks – for Harvest
Tuesday 23 rd September	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Helping your child in Reception
Thursday 25 th September	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Helping your child in Nursery
October		
Wednesday 1 st October	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Additional Learning Needs
	6.00pm – 7.00pm	PTA AGM – In School or Online
Thursday 2 nd October	All Day	National Poetry Day
Monday 6 th October	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 6 Values Assembly and PACT - Unity (Families are welcome to attend)
Wednesday 8 th October	All Day	Flu Immunisations
Friday 10 th October	9.00am – 9.30am	Parent Coffee Morning and Forum
Thursday 16 th October	7.00am – 5.30pm	Year 5 Trip – Harry Potter Studios
Monday 20 th October	All day	School Photo Day
Tuesday 21 st October	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop - Curriculum
Wednesday 22 nd October	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 5 Values Assembly and PACT - Determination (Families are welcome to attend)
Thursday 23 rd October	9.00am – 12.00pm	Year 6 Trip – Crucial Crew – Raglan Barracks
Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October	1 Week	Half Term – School Closed

More dates to follow!



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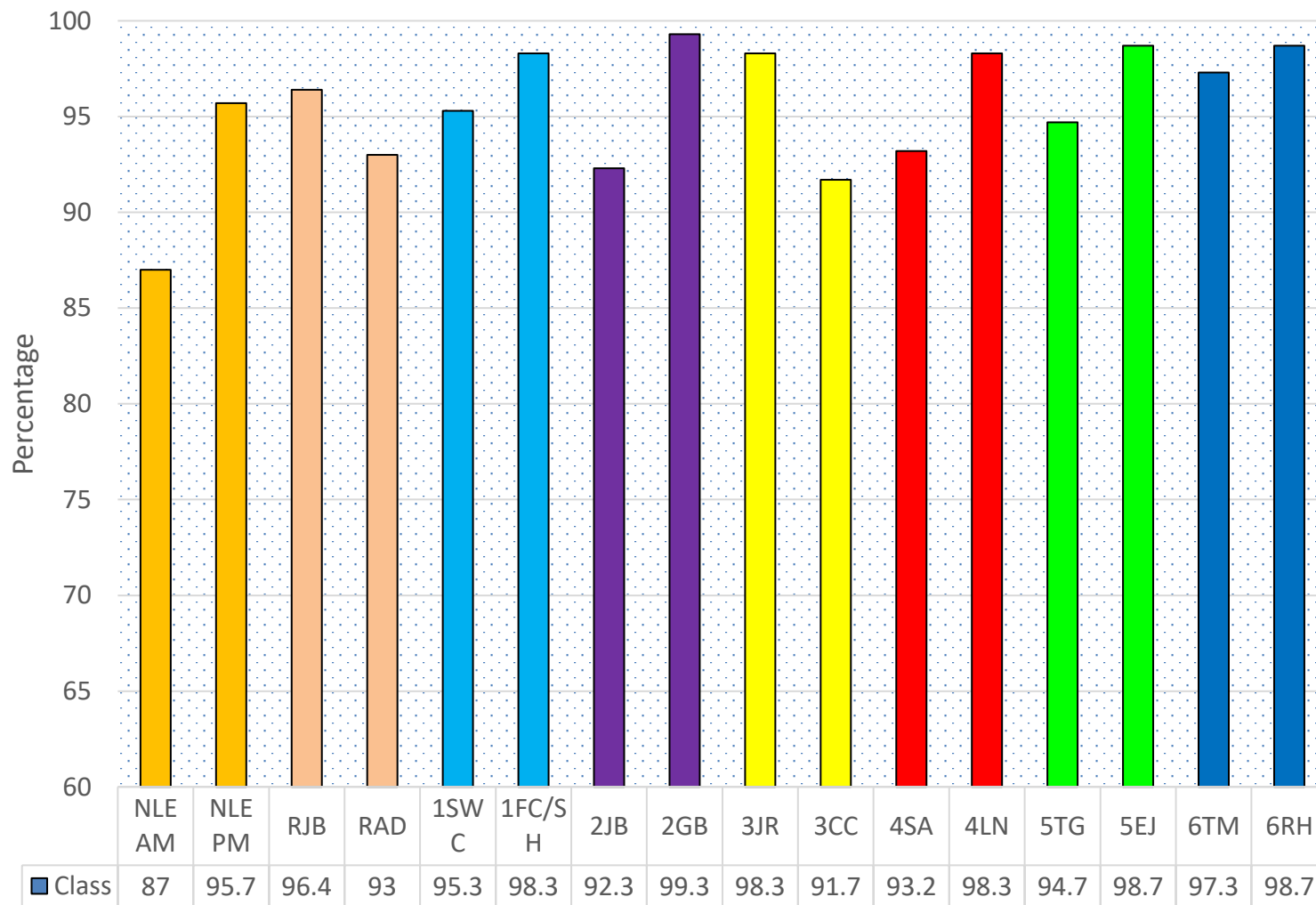
November		
Monday 3 rd November	All Day	INSET Day 2 – School Closed
Tuesday 11 th November	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 12 th November	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Friday 14 th November	All Day	Children in Need
Friday 28 th November	9.00am – 12.30pm	Reception, Year 1 and 2 – Blackwood Cinema Trip
December		
Monday 1 st December	9.00am – 12.30pm	Years 3 to 6 – Blackwood Cinema Trip
Tuesday 2 nd December	2.15pm – 3.00pm	iRock pupils' concert – Parents Invited to attend
Friday 5 th December	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
	All Day	Festive Fun Day
Monday 8 th December	9.15am – 9.45am	Nursery am Christmas Concert
	1.00pm – 1.30pm	Nursery pm Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.00pm	Reception Christmas Concert
Tuesday 9 th December	9.30am – 10.30am	Reception Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Concert
Wednesday 10 th December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
Thursday 11 th December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert
Friday 12 th December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert
Monday 15 th December	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Years 3 to 6 Christmas Parties
Tuesday 16 th December	12.00pm – 3.30pm	Year 3 Trip – Pantomime
	1.30pm – 3.00pm	Nursery to Year 2 Christmas Parties
	6.00pm – 7.30pm	Year 6 Carol Concert @ St Basils Church
Wednesday 17 th December	10.00am – 11.30am	Stories with Santa – Nursery to Year 2
	12.00pm – 1.30pm	Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 18 th December	All Day	INSET Day 3 – School Closed
Friday 19 th December	All Day	INSET Day 4 – School Closed
Monday 22 nd December to Friday 2 nd January	2 Weeks	Christmas Holidays – School Closed

More dates to follow!



Attendance

Last Week...



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.



Well done to Miss Blair's class last week with 99.3% attendance. Fantastic effort.

