

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025

# Newsletter



'creating a **C**aring, **R**espectful,  
**O**pen **E**nvironment  
where **S**uccess and  
**O**ppportunity flourish'

# This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

**Christmas Concert Tickets** – The sale of tickets has now closed so we can assess ticket numbers purchased in accordance with our designated allowances per pupil, as communicated in our last newsletter. If any extra tickets are available we will text out to all parents for the relevant year groups to inform. Tickets will be sent home with children on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets will be needed to enter the school for each performance.

**Children in Need** – Thank you for your support this year. We raised a fantastic £526 for Children in Need.

**Blackwood Cinema Trip** – We will be taking our pupils to watch a film (Zootropolis 2) at Blackwood Cinema. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be visiting this Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November and Years 3 to 6 will be visiting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December. This has again been offered to the school for completely free by one of our extremely generous family members. The cost for the trip will be £5.50 per child. This is to cover the cost of the bus. Payments and consent for this trip need to be given on Parent Pay by Wednesday. Pupils will not be able to buy confectionary at the cinema but can bring a small selection themselves. Please can we remind you that some of our pupils have severe allergies and that we are a nut free school. Pupils will return to school in time for lunch so this can be ordered as normal on Parent Pay.

**Headlice**– We have recently had several cases of head lice reported in school. Please could all parents and carers check their child's hair regularly and treat if necessary. Early detection and treatment help prevent head lice from spreading further. Thank you for your support in keeping our school community healthy. Please find information and advice from the NHS [here](#)

**PTA Rainbow Raffle**– Donations for our PTA Rainbow Raffle can be brought in all of this week. Pupils who have donated to the Rainbow raffle can wear non-uniform to school this Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please see the PTA pages of the newsletter for more information on what colour donations each year group need to bring in.

**iRock Concert** – Parents of pupils who take part in iRock music lessons are invited to watch their end of term performance to see the progress they have made this term. The concert will take place on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December in our school hall. Parents will need to enter through the main school gates at 2pm for the concert to start at 2:15pm

**Christmas Jumper Day** – Pupils can wear Christmas jumpers on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December for our annual Christmas Jumper Day. No donations need to be made for this.

Kind regards,

Dean Taylor  
Headteacher

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





# Christmas Concerts 2025



Date	Time	Event/Activity
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am – 10.30am	Reception Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Concert
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.15pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am – 10.30am	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert





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# PTA NEWSLETTER

## LATEST NEWS

**NON -UNIFORM DAY**  
**THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOV**

NON UNIFORM DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR A DONATION OF AN ITEM TO BE USED IN OUR RAINBOW RAFFLE FUNDRAISER IN DECEMBER.

EACH YEAR HAS BEEN ALLOCATED A COLOUR ALONG WITH SOME IDEAS TO GET YOU STARTED

**NURSERY & RECEPTION - RED OR ORANGE**  
 Wine, Maltesers, Celebrations, Skittles, Bournville, Munchies, candle, Coca Cola, Chocolate Orange, Bucks Fizz, Tangfastics

**YEAR 1 & 2 - GREEN OR BLACK**  
 Mint Chocolate, Aero, After Eight, Shower gel, Apple Juice, Basset, Pepsi max, Linux, Mars bars, Socks, Baileys, Candles

**YEAR 3 & 4 - BLUE OR PURPLE**  
 Bombay Sapphire, Oreo, Haribo, Roses, Pretzels, Quality Street, Cadburys, Ribera, Doritos, Bubble bath

**YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 - WHITE OR YELLOW**  
 White Chocolate, soap, mint, candles, wine, prosecco, Lindt flakes, jelly babies, tablarone

Other items to consider - scarves, clothes, games, toys, stationary.  
 Any alcohol must be handed to teachers

Donations can be brought in during the week commencing  
**Monday 24 November**



# PTA NEWSLETTER

## Easy Fundraising

**easyfundraising**

Turn your online shopping into everyday magic for

Pentrepoeth PTA

**with easyfundraising**

You shop, brands donate to us.  
 It won't cost you any extra!

**How to sign up**

- 1 Visit the link below or scan the QR code  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause)
- 2 Search for us
- 3 Your favourite brands donate whenever you spend with them

Download the easyfundraising App

GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

Excellent 3,915 reviews on Trustpilot

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





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## Coming Soon



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## Future events



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# Chartwells

## Wednesday 17th December



### Christmas Lunch

#### MAINS

Roast Turkey (H)  
or  
Roasted Vegetable and  
Cranberry Slice (V)

#### SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Sausage  
Bite, Stuffing, Carrots, Peas  
and Gravy

#### DESSERTS

Vanilla Christmas  
Shortbread

\*Menus may be subject to change

Chartwells





# Chartwells School Lunch Menu Changes

*Please find below a message from Chartwells regarding their new menu*

*The changes to the school meals menu, is part of our effort to align with the consultation of the Healthy Eating in Schools Regulations 2013, which is aimed at improving the nutritional quality of food served in Welsh schools. These guidelines encourage more fruit and vegetables, less sugars and salts and a reduction in processed foods, particularly processed meats and cheeses when used as the primary source of protein. It is expected that processed food should not be used in school meals more than twice a week.*

*Our priority remains the wellbeing of our pupils, and we are working hard to ensure that the new menu continues to offer a variety of tasty, balanced, and nutritious options. We're also committed to listening to feedback and reviewing the menus where possible but continuing to be compliant with the Healthy Eating in Schools Regulations 2013.*

*If your child has an Additional Learning Need (ALN), reasonable adjustments can be made to support their access to school meals. Further information on how to arrange this support is available by contacting your school directly*



# Extra Curricular Clubs

## Reception, Years 1 and 2

### Second half term

After school clubs will be split into a half term for each class.

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	Class	Time	Teacher
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 are available to book on Parent Pay**



# 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

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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 are available to book on Parent Pay**

# 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](mailto: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](#)





# 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 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 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

November		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	All Day	INSET Day 2 – School Closed
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	8.30am – 2.00pm	Year 5&6 Girls Football Tournament
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	All Day	Children in Need – Wear something spotty and have 'wacky hair'
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	All Day	PTA Non-Uniform Day – For Donations for Rainbow Raffle
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am – 12.30pm	Reception, Year 1 and 2 – Blackwood Cinema Trip
December		
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	9.00am – 12.30pm	Years 3 to 6 – Blackwood Cinema Trip
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	2.15pm – 3.00pm	iRock pupils' concert – Parents Invited to attend
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
	All Day	Festive Fun Day
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Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Years 3 to 6 Christmas Parties
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am – 11.30am	Stories with Santa – Nursery to Year 2
	12.00pm – 1.30pm	Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day	INSET Day 3 – School Closed
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day	INSET Day 4 – School Closed
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	2 Weeks	Christmas Holidays – School Closed

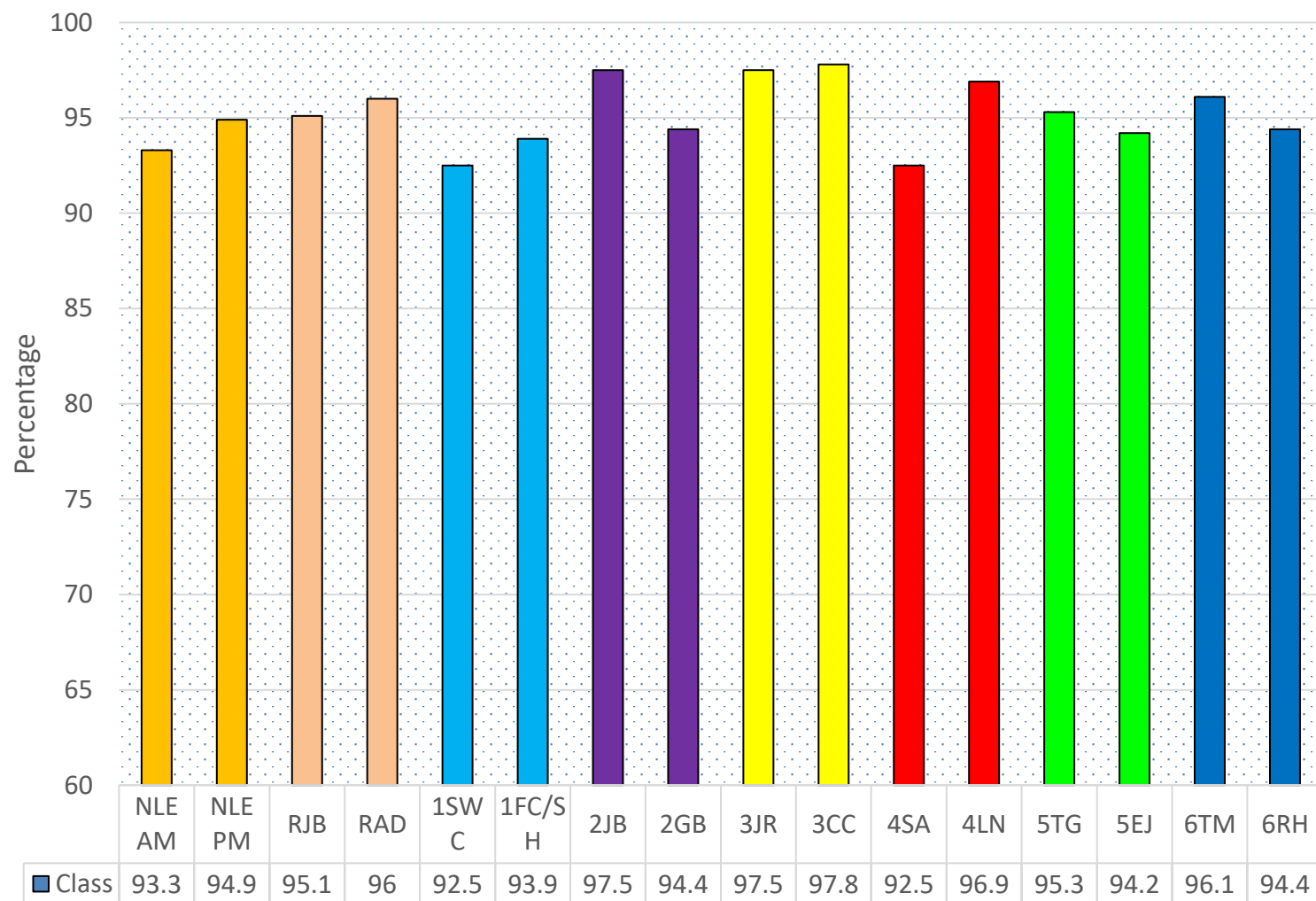
More dates  
to  
follow!





# 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

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



Well done to Mrs Clissold's class last week with 97.8% attendance! Fantastic effort!

