

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Monday 10th February 2025

Newsletter



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

This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

Please see information for the week commencing Monday 10th February 2025

After School Clubs – A reminder to please contact the school either by phone or email if your child is not attending a club, but is booked on Parent Pay. Pupils in years 4, 5 and 6 will not be allowed to leave at the end of the day if they are booked onto a club and we have not received notification that they aren't attending. This is for safeguarding reasons.

INSET Days – A reminder that the school will be closed on **Thursday 20th February and Friday 21st February** for staff training. The last day of this half term for pupils will be **Wednesday 19th February**

Pupil Hygiene - From time to time children can catch infestations such as headlice and threadworms. Please see a link [here](#) to information regarding these and how to treat them on the school nursing page of the NHS website.

Down Syndrome Awareness Day – Due to this clashing with Red Nose Day, we have moved our Down Syndrome Awareness Day to **Tuesday 18th February**. Voluntary cash contributions can be made on the day with all proceeds going to 21 Plus.

School Eisteddfod – Our school Eisteddfod will take place on **Wednesday 5th March**. Pupils can wear Welsh colours and outfits on this day. Further information regarding our Eisteddfod will follow.

World Book Day – This will take place on **Thursday March 6th**. We will be asking children to bring their favourite book to school on that day. Children can dress up as book characters if they wish – however this is optional.

Parent Consultations – Booking links for parents consultations will be sent out during the first week back after half term (Week commencing 3rd March 2025) A reminder that the consultations will take place on **Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th March 2025**

Year 3 Values Assembly and PACT – Year 3 will be performing their assembly on Responsibility on **Wednesday 26th March** at 9.15am in the hall. This will be followed by a short craft activity. Parents are welcome to attend.

Year 2 Values Assembly and PACT – Year 2 will be performing their assembly on Positivity on **Wednesday 9th April** at 9.15am in the hall. This will be followed by a short craft activity. Parents are welcome to attend.

Kind regards,

Dean Taylor

Headteacher

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



Down's Syndrome Awareness Day

Tuesday 18th February 2025

We will be holding our Down's Syndrome awareness day on Tuesday 18th February. Children can wear odd socks and dress in yellow and blue on this day. Cash donations can be made on the day with all proceeds going to the charity

21 Plus More information on this incredible charity can be found on their website

<https://21plus.org.uk/>



We are 21 Plus

21 Plus is here to provide support for family members, carers, friends, and professionals, supporting children and young people with Down's syndrome.

Our mission statement:

21 Plus educates, empowers and supports children and young people with Down's syndrome and their families.

Our core purposes are:

- To enable people with Down's syndrome to reach their full potential and live fulfilled and active lives, through the provision of training, support, education and practical advice.
- To promote the education of the public, parents and carers of people with Down's syndrome, and professionals involved in their care and education, in the specific needs and abilities of people with Down's syndrome.

We aim to provide a full support network for the families within the Down's syndrome community across South-East Wales, southern Powys, western Herefordshire and Gloucestershire .

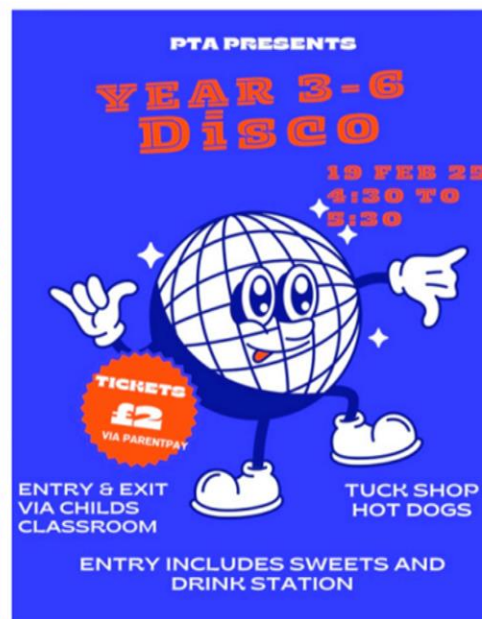
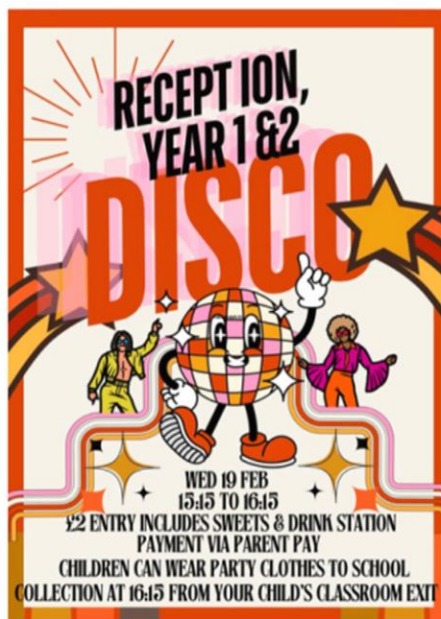
PTA Information



February 2025

PTA NEWSLETTER

COMING UP!



Parent pay is now open to purchase tickets until 18 February 2025

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



PTA NEWSLETTER

Future events

Dates for your diary:

Spring disco: Wednesday 19 February 2025

School Tea Towels: Beginning of March

Easter egg hunt: 10 April 2025

Summer Disco: Wednesday 21 May 2025

Summer Fete: TBC



Newport Live - This Half Term

Family Welly Walks

Join us on our FREE family welly walks this half term for some fun outdoor activities. Suitable for families with children up to the age of 7, siblings welcome to join in.

26 February, 10 - 11am

Tredegar House NP10 8YW

26 February, 1 - 2pm

Belle Vue Park NP20 4FP



No booking needed! For more details email:
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chwaraeoncyfwr

newportlive.co.uk
01633 656757

NEWPORT LIVE
CASNEWYDD FYW

Football For All

Join our dynamic football camp for boys and girls! Develop your skills and enjoy exciting matches and drills.

Suitable for all abilities.

Geraint Thomas Velodrome
NP19 4RB, 3G Pitch

£10
per child
Lunch included



8 - 12
years old

Boys and girls only camps:

Monday 24 February 10am - 2pm

Spaces are limited!

How to Book:

Book now via the Newport Live app or contact

For details: Ellen.phillips@newportlive.co.uk

Wear suitable footwear (no metal studs)

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NEWPORT LIVE
CASNEWYDD FYW

* 30 spaces for the girls camp & 30 spaces for the boys camp

Years 3 to 6

Extra Curricular Clubs

Second half term

After school clubs will run on the following weeks

W/C 03.03.25 W/C 10.03.25 W/C 17.03.25 W/C 24.03.25 W/C 31.03.25

There are no clubs running on the W/C 07.04.25 (Last week of term)

Day	Club	Year Groups	Time	Teacher
Tuesday	Rugby	5 & 6	3:30pm to 4:30pm	Mr Merriman
Tuesday	Football	4	3:30pm to 4:30pm	Mr Taylor
Thursday	Football	5 & 6	3:30pm to 4:30pm	Mr Woodham & Mr Hall
Thursday	Netball	5 & 6	3:30pm to 4:30pm	Mrs Ahern
Friday	Chess	3	3:30pm to 4:30pm	Mr Nocivelli

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 Parentpay

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

**Clubs will be available to book on Parentpay the week commencing
17.02.25.**

Extra Curricular Clubs

Reception, Years 1 and 2

Second half term

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

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Day	Club	Class	Time	Teacher
Monday	Fun & Fitness	RFC/SH	3:15pm to 4:00pm	Mr Brewer
Tuesday	Music & Dance	1CC/JR	3:15pm to 4:00pm	Miss Hall
Thursday	Art & Craft	2JB	3:15pm to 4:00pm	Miss Blair

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

**Clubs will be available to book on Parentpay the week commencing
17.02.25.**

Dates For Your Diary

Date	Time	Event/Activity
January		
Monday 6 th January	All Day	Spring Term Starts
	All Day	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 14 th January	9.00am – 10.00am	Year 3 Maths Workshop
Tuesday 21 st January	9.00am – 10.00am	Year 3 Maths Workshop
Tuesday 28 th January	9.00am – 10.00am	Year 3 Maths Workshop
February		
Tuesday 4 th February	9.00am – 10.00am	Year 3 Maths Workshop
Wednesday 5 th February	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 4 Values Assembly and PACT – Courage – Parent welcome to attend
Tuesday 11 th February	9.00am – 10.00am	Year 3 Maths Workshop
Tuesday 18 th February	All Day	World Down Syndrome Day (Children can wear blue and yellow and odd socks)
Wednesday 19 th February	3.15pm – 4.15pm	PTA School Disco – Reception, Years 1 and 2
	4.30pm – 5.30pm	PTA School Disco – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Thursday 20 th February	All Day	INSET Day 4 – School closed for pupils
Friday 21 st February	All Day	INSET Day 5 – School closed for pupils
Monday 24 th February to Friday 28 th February	All Week	February Half Term

**More dates
to
follow!**



Dates For Your Diary

Date	Time	Event/Activity
March		
Tuesday 4 th March	1 Session per class	Year 2 - Child Pedestrian Training
Wednesday 5 th March	All Day	School Eisteddfod – St David's Day – Children can wear Red or Welsh themed clothing
Thursday 6 th March	All Day	World Book Day – Children can bring their favourite book to school.
Tuesday 11 th March	1 Session per class	Year 2 - Child Pedestrian Training
Tuesday 18 th March	1 Session per class	Year 2 - Child Pedestrian Training
	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Night 1
Wednesday 19 th March	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Night 2
Friday 21 st March	All Day	Red Nose Day – Wear something that makes you happy
	9.30am – 2.30pm	Year 5 Trip – Blackwood Cinema
Tuesday 25 th March	1 Session per class	Year 2 - Child Pedestrian Training
Wednesday 26 th March	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 3 Values Assembly and PACT – Hope – Parents welcome to attend
Friday 28 th March	All Day	Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day – More details to follow
April		
Wednesday 9 th April	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 2 Values Assembly and PACT – Positivity – Parents welcome to attend
Thursday 10 th April	All Day	PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Monday 14 th April to Friday 25 th April	2 Weeks	Easter Holidays

**More dates
to
follow!**



Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

School year 2024-2025

Term	Start	Half Term starts	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn	Mon 2 September 2024	Mon 28 October 2024	Fri 1 November 2024	Fri 20 December 2024
Spring	Mon 6 January 2025	Mon 24 February 2025	Fri 28 February 2025	Fri 11 April 2025
Summer	Mon 28 April 2025	Mon 26 May 2025	Fri 30 May 2025	Mon 21 July 2025

May Day - Monday 5 May 2025

School year 2025-2026

Term	Start	Half Term starts	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn	Mon 1 September 2025	Mon 27 October 2025	Fri 31 October 2025	Fri 19 December 2025
Spring	Mon 5 January 2026	Mon 16 February 2026	Fri 20 February 2026	Fri 27 March 2026
Summer	Mon 13 April 2026	Mon 25 May 2026	Fri 29 May 2026	Mon 20 July 2026

May Day - Monday 4 May 2026

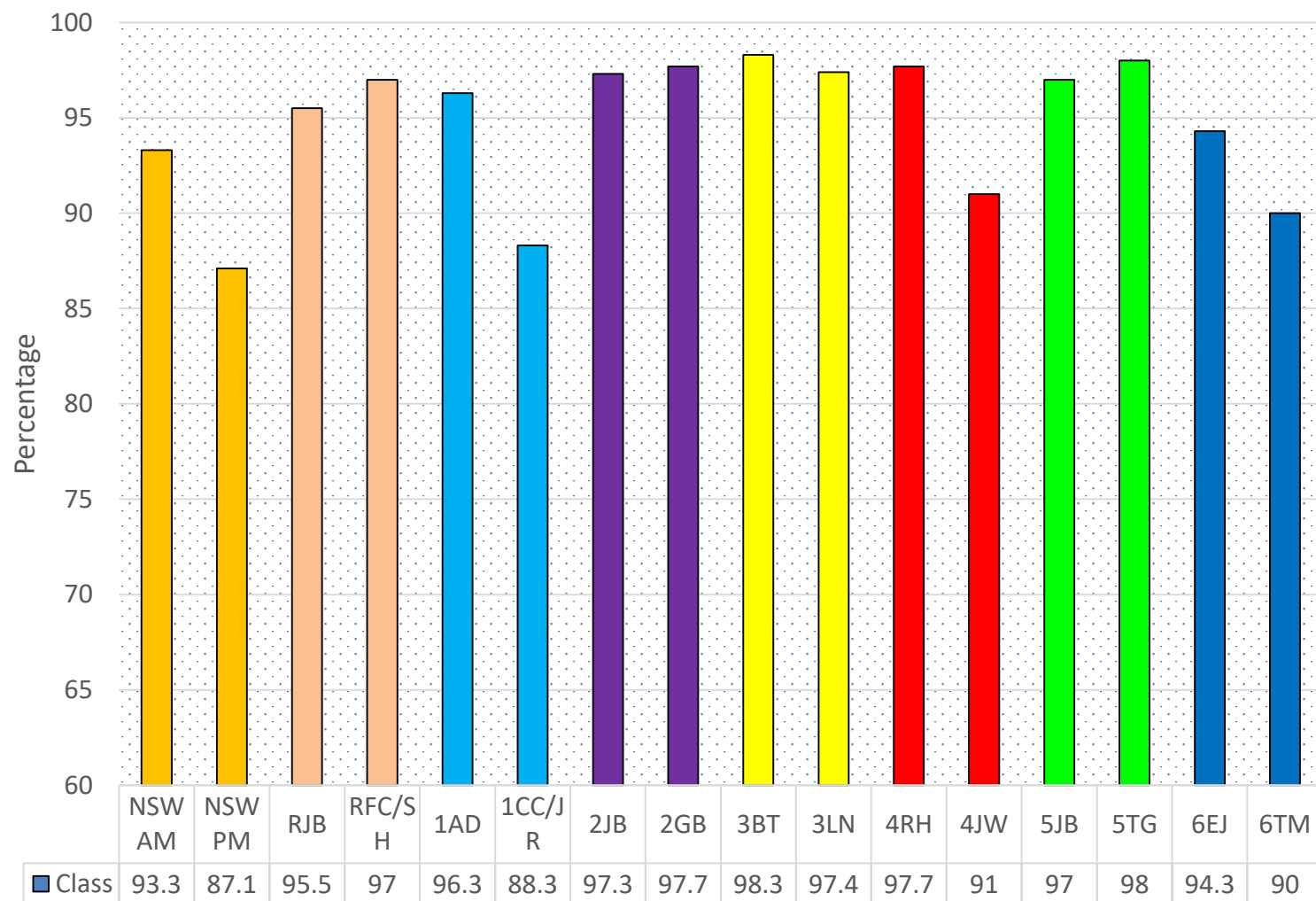
INSET Days – School is closed for children:

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Friday 20th December 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Thursday 20th February 2025
- Friday 21st February 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025



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 Mr Taylor's class for another winning week last week!

REMINDER FOR PARENTS:

Don't let your child circulate flu, Covid and Strep A in school

Children with a fever should stay at home until they feel better.

A fever is a high temperature.

Flu vaccination is still available for all children from aged 2 up to and including school year 11. This is the best protection against the virus.



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Public Health
Wales