

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026

# Newsletter



‘creating a **C**aring, **R**espectful,  
**O**pen **E**nvironment  
where **S**uccess and  
**O**pportunity flourish’

# This Week's Information

Dear families,

Please find information for this week and this half term

**World Book Day** – This will take place tomorrow **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. 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**. Classes will be doing a range of World Book Day related activities.

**Nut Free School** – A reminder that we are a 'Nut Free School' as we have a number of pupils with severe nut allergies. Please can all families ensure no products containing or possibly containing nuts are brought into school.

**Year 6 Fundraising** – We are asking Year 6 pupils to bring in donations to create Easter hampers. Year 6 pupils can bring in chocolate eggs. Easter toys or books etc. Once we have created some Easter hampers Year 6 pupils will then be selling raffle tickets to the whole school. All money raised will go towards the Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies and their Leavers' Party. Could all Year 6 donations please be brought in by **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

**Reception Pupils – School Entry Review** – The School Nursing Team will be visiting the school several times in March to test the vision and measure the growth of reception aged children. This forms part of the School Entry Review. More information on this programme can be found [here](#) If you do not wish for your child to take part in this programme you can **opt out** [here](#) Pupils who have not been opted out of the programme will automatically take part.

**Year 6 Residential Trip** – A reminder that Year 6 will be attending their residential trip to Urdd Llangrannog from **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March**. Please ensure any medication is signed in to school staff before this date. Please speak to the office for more information.

# This Week's Information

**Year 2 Trip** – Year 2 will be visiting Plantastia Tropical Zoo in Swansea on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**. More information, payment information and consent will be available on ParentPay by the end of the week.

**Red Nose Day 2026** – Comic Relief will be celebrated in school on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. Our theme this year is **'Wear something funny to raise money'** Children are invited to come to school in anything that makes us smile – funny outfits, silly accessories, crazy hairstyles, or anything playful and fun. We can't wait to see their creativity! Donations will be online only through a ParentPay Link. We will let families know when this link is available.

**Year 4 Values Assembly and PACT** – Year 4 families are welcome to join us on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** at 9:15am for their values assembly on Responsibility. This will be followed by a short PACT activity.

**Down Syndrome Awareness Day** - We will be holding our Down Syndrome Awareness Day on **Monday 23rd March**. Pupils are invited to wear yellow and blue to school, and we will be raising awareness through special assemblies and class-based activities.

**Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day** - We will be marking our Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day on **Wednesday 25th March**. Pupils are welcome to wear green to school, and again we will be raising awareness through special assemblies and class-based activities.

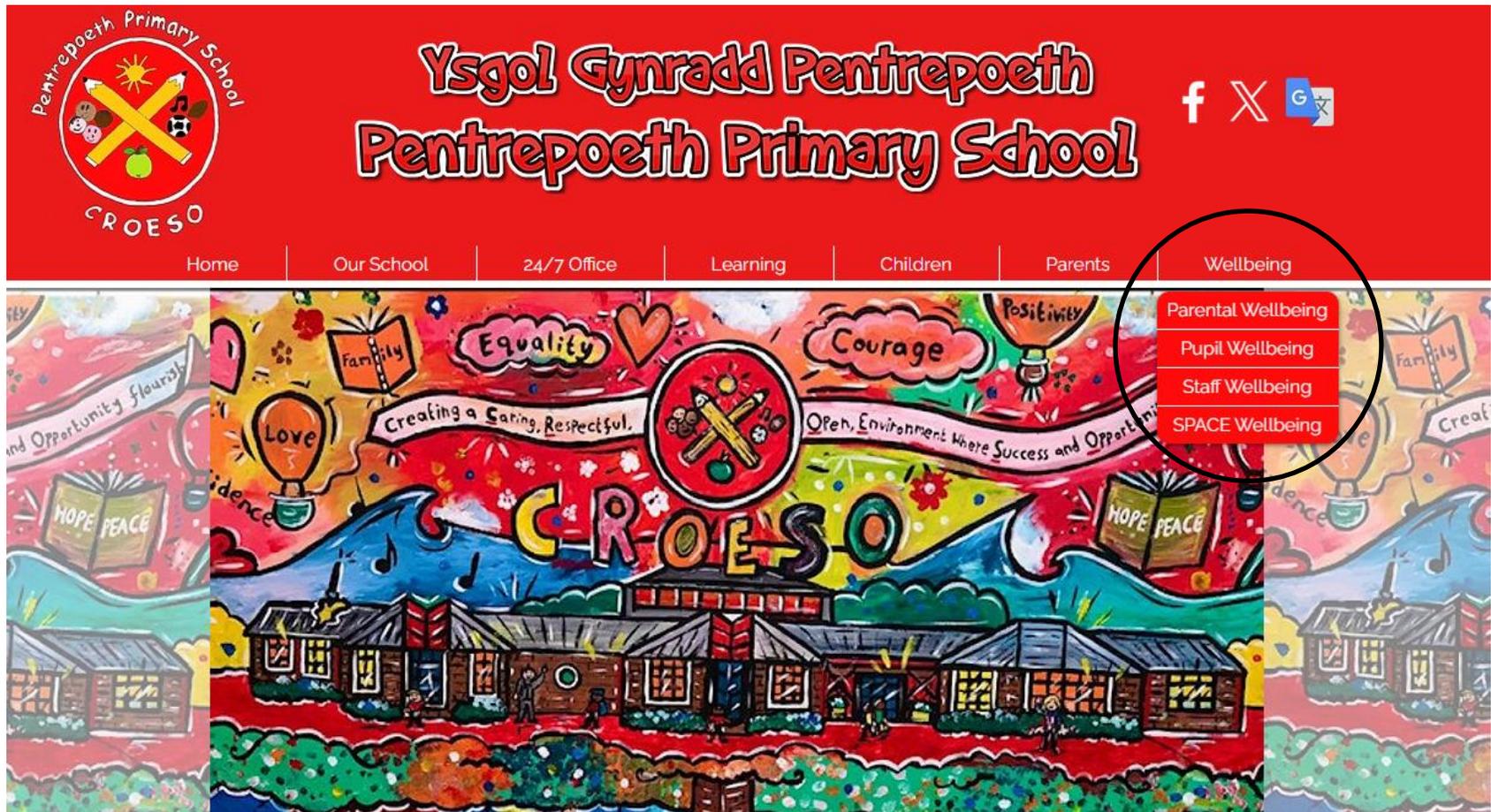
**PTA Break the Rules Day** – Our PTA will be running their 'Break the Rules' day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Further details about this event can be found on the PTA pages of the newsletter.

**After School Clubs** – A reminder that there will be no after school clubs the last week of this half term – week commencing **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. Summer term clubs will start on week 2 of Summer Term

**Easter Holidays** – Our last day of Spring Term is on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. School will then be closed for 2 weeks and will reopen on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** for our Summer Term.

Kind regards,  
Dean Taylor  
Headteacher

# Wellbeing



You will find on our website a new Wellbeing tab with links to different Padlets. These Padlets have links to lots of very useful websites, services, referrals and resources in and around Newport that support with all elements of emotional and mental wellbeing.

Parental Wellbeing Padlet can be found by clicking [here](#)

Pupil Wellbeing Padlet can be found by clicking [here](#)

Information on SPACE Wellbeing referrals can be found by clicking [here](#)



# HELPING HANDS OUTREACH VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS: APRIL 26-JULY 26

We run monthly workshops on a range of topics including: Exploring Behaviours That Can Challenge, Emotional Regulation, and Supporting with Transitions.

These group workshops are open to any parents/carers of children with additional needs, including families and professionals linked with Serennu, Nevill Hall and Caerphilly Children's Centre.

The workshops will take place online via a video-call.



**MONDAY 27TH  
APRIL  
10AM-12NOON**

### SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH TRANSITIONS AND SEPARATIONS

We will share ideas about how to support children and young people with transitions and separations.

Book by Midday on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

**MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
MAY  
10AM-12NOON**

### EMOTIONAL REGULATION

We will share information about emotional regulation skills and how to support children with developing these skills.

Book by Midday on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May

**MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>  
JULY  
10AM-12NOON**

### EXPLORING BEHAVIOURS THAT CAN CHALLENGE

We will be sharing ideas behind behaviour support and help you to understand and respond to behaviours that can often challenge.

Book by Midday on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July



### BOOK A SPACE OR SUBSCRIBE TO OUR MAILING LIST

To book a space on one of these workshops, or subscribe to our workshop mailing list for updates on all our future workshops, you can:

- Scan the QR code
- Click on the QR code
- Follow this link <https://forms.office.com/e/DfqfWSd0kK>

These workshops need to be booked using separate QR codes.

**MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup>  
JUNE  
10AM-12 NOON**



### PREPARING FOR AND SUPPORTING THROUGH PUBERTY



During this workshop we will share ideas and resources related to the following topics:

- *Puberty in the context of children with additional developmental needs*
- *Body Parts & Preparing for Body Changes*
- *Privacy & Consent*
- *Puberty*
- *Masturbation*
- *What this means for you as Parents/Carers*

To book onto this workshop, please scan or click on the QR code or follow this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/kzDF8cejbb>

You can now access recordings of some of our workshops, including Exploring Behaviours That Can Challenge, Introduction to Sleep, and Supporting Anxiety in Children.

To access them, either follow the link or scan the QR codes below.



### EXPLORING BEHAVIOURS THAT CAN CHALLENGE

We share ideas behind behaviour support and help you to understand and respond to behaviours that can often challenge.

<https://youtu.be/KXfMgk-sL4k>

### SUPPORTING ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

We share ideas about how to support children and young people with anxiety and worry.

<https://youtu.be/nH-YXw4ZWYE>



### INTRODUCTION TO SLEEP

We share ideas about how to manage common sleep difficulties in children and young people.

<https://youtu.be/YoM9LKSrZ8>

Years 3 to 6

# Extra Curricular Clubs

## Second half term

After school clubs will run on the following weeks

W/C 23.02.26    W/C 02.03.26    W/C 09.03.26    W/C 16.03.26

**There are no clubs running on the W/C 23.03.26 (Last week of term)**

Day	Club	Year Groups	Time	Teacher
Monday	Choir	Years 3 to 6	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Gwent Music & Mrs Jones
Monday	Sketch	Year 4	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mrs Rose/Mrs Clissold
Monday	Football	Year 3	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Hall
Wednesday	Rugby	Years 5 & 6	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr Merriman
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 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  
09.02.26.**

# Extra Curricular Clubs

## Reception, Years 1 and 2

## Second half term

After school clubs will be split into a half term for each class and will run on the following weeks

W/C 23.02.26    W/C 02.03.26    W/C 09.03.26    W/C 16.03.26

**There are no clubs running on the W/C 23.03.26 (Last week of term)**

Day	Club	Class	Time	Teacher
Monday	Fun & Fitness	RAD	3.15pm – 4.00pm	Mr Brewer & Mrs Drummond
Monday	Dance & Fitness	1SWC	3.15pm – 4.00pm	Miss Ellis/Miss Hall

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

**Please Note – Year 2 Club is lunchtime and not after school**

Wednesday Lunchtime	Dance	2JB	12.45pm – 1.30pm	Mrs Cleaves
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09.02.26.**



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# PTA NEWSLETTER

LATEST NEWS

**Massive thank you from the PTA**

**We raised a fantastic**

**£868.44**



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# PTA NEWSLETTER

## Latest News

**BREAK THE RULES DAY**  
March 27<sup>th</sup>

**BREAK RULE 1**  
Bring a treat for break time (no nuts)

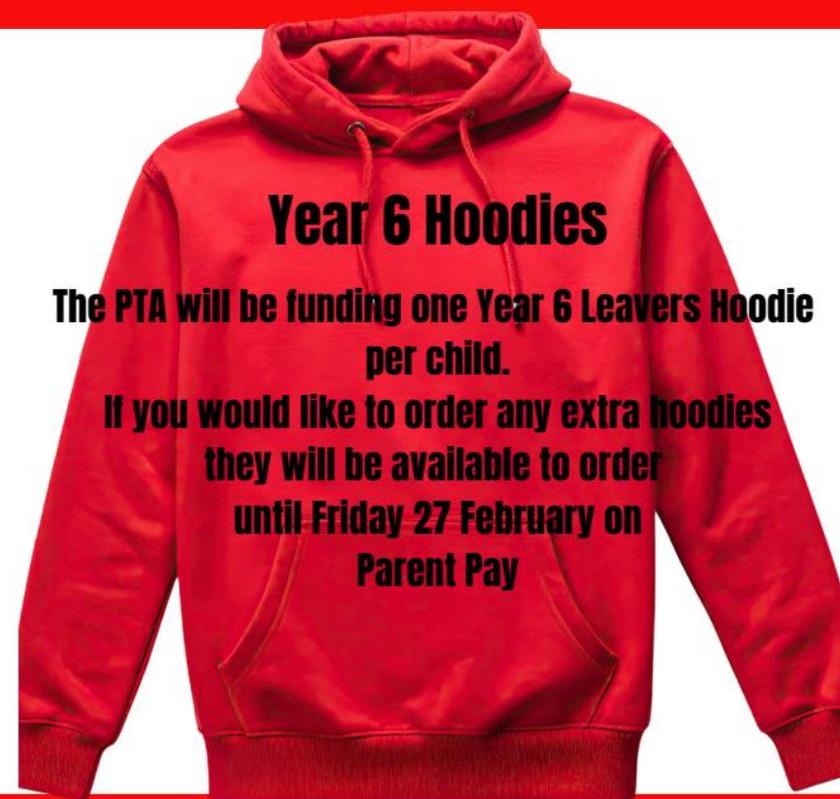
**BREAK RULE 2**  
Bring a teddy or game to school

**BREAK RULE 3**  
Squash in your water bottle

**BREAK RULE 4**  
Come to school with WACKY hair

**BREAK RULE 5**  
Wear your own clothes to school

**50P FOR EVERY RULE YOU BREAK**  
Pay on parent pay or cash on the day





# PTA NEWSLETTER

## LATEST NEWS

**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




Excellent  3,945 reviews on Trustpilot



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



If you would like to join the PTA or would like to volunteer to help at one of our events please email us at [Pentrepoethpta@gmail.com](mailto:Pentrepoethpta@gmail.com)

# 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

<b>January</b>		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	All Day	Spring Term Starts
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	8.30am – 1.00pm	Year 6 Visit to Bassaleg School – 39 Steps Show
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am – 12.00pm	Holocaust Memorial Service – Newport Cathedral – Year 6 School Council
<b>February</b>		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	5.00pm – 6.00pm	Year 6 Parents Meeting – Llangrannog Residential Trip
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day	Year 3 Trip – Noah’s Ark Zoo
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am – 10.00am	ALN Coffee Morning
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	PTA School Disco – Reception, Year 1 and 2
	4.30pm – 5.30pm	PTA School Disco – Years 3 to 6
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	8.30am – 1.00pm	Year 6 – Bassaleg School Visit – Gym & Dance Display
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	9.15am – 10.15am	Year 3 Values Assembly and PACT - Consideration
	9.00am – 12.00pm	Year 2 – Animal Interactive
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day	INSET Day 4 – School Closed
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	All Week	Half Term – School Closed
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 1/7)
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 2/7)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 3/7)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 4/7)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 5/7)



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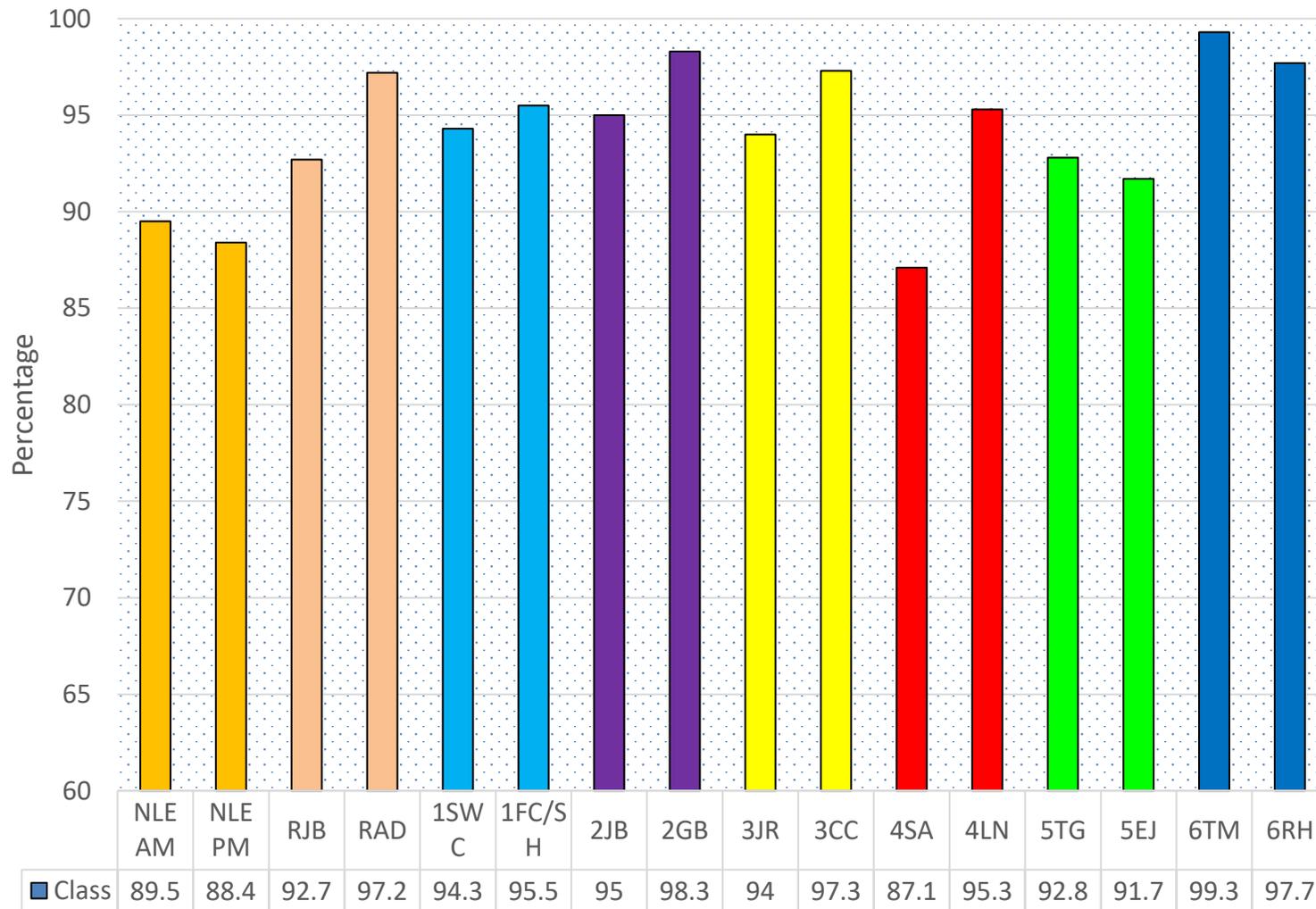
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March		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 6/7)
	9.00am – 12.00pm	Eisteddfod - Reception, Year 1 and 2
	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Eisteddfod – Years 3 to 6
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 6 Swimming - (Session 7/7) Final Session
	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Night 1
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 1/8)
	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Night 2
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	World Book Day
	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 2/8)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 3/8)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 4/8)
	All Day	Reception – School Nurses – Height, weight and vision tests
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 5/8)
	All Day	Reception – School Nurses – Height, weight and vision tests
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	3 Days	Year 6 Residential – Llangrannog
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 6/8)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 7/8)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 12.30pm	Year 5 Swimming - (Session 8/8) Final Session
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	Year 2 Trip – Plantasia
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	Red Nose Day 2026 – Wear something funny for money
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	All Day	Down Syndrome Awareness Day
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	9.15am – 10.15am	Year 4 Values Assembly and PACT – Responsibility
	2.00pm – 2.30pm	iRock Concert for Parents
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am – 1.00pm	Reception pupils – Hearing screening
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	PTA – Break the Rules Day
	3.30pm	Last Day of Term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	2 Weeks	Easter Holidays



# Attendance

Last Term...



## 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 Mr Merriman's class last week with 99.3% attendance.

Superb effort!

