

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Monday September 11th 2023

Newsletter



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

This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

New Nursery and Reception Pupils – It was lovely to see pupils starting full time today. All seem really happy as I have just walked around the school !

RAAC – You will have seen much media attention regarding the use of this concrete in public buildings and notably in schools. Newport City Council has provided me with this statement:

Based on current information, Newport City Council does not believe this issue affects its estate. Work has been undertaken in many schools across the city in recent years and RAAC has not been detected. However, the local authority will be fully cooperating with the Welsh Government's decision to survey all schools and colleges. We want to reassure parents, staff and service users that we have no immediate concerns but if the further surveys do raise any potential issues, action will be taken as a priority.

Breakfast Club – A reminder that children MUST be pre booked to be able to attend. Please do this via ParentPay for either paid Early Bird session (8.00am – 9.00am) or free Late Bird (8.20am – 9.00am). A reminder also that children should not arrive to school site early as they are not supervised until either 8.00am for Early bird or 8.20am for Late bird.

After School Clubs – After school clubs will commence next week. Mr Cleaves will send a link for you to book on before the end of the week.

Gwent Music – Peripatetic music lessons are now fully up and running. If you are interested please look and book via the website. Click [here](#).

Attendance – I will be looking at attendance figures for children for last year and will be issuing letters to parents on a termly basis so that you can monitor progress. A link to our leaflet for parents is available [here](#). Holidays during school term are not authorised except in exceptional circumstances. If your child is going to be absent from school then you must complete the form here 2 weeks prior to the planned absence. Information and application available [here](#).

Parent Governor Vacancy – A parent governor position will become available at the end of the month. If you are interested in becoming a governor please click [here](#).

Kind regards,
Dean Taylor
Headteacher

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



PTA Information



PTA fundraising

2022-2023



Our fundraising efforts last year allowed our children to have so many extra treats and experiences.

We need parents join the PTA committee this year to stay operating and help with funding.



We have all committee positions available and so far no volunteers, please get in touch for more information or to discuss what it involves. Roles can be shared between people It is so rewarding seeing what a difference the funds make and the more members we have the more the work is shared.

PTA COMMITTEE

We need you to stay running in 2023-2024

What does it involve?

<p>Chairperson/ Co-chairpersons Ensure charity is running as it should Ensure all committee members views are heard Write annual report Help with Newsletters Communicate with school Casting vote if split decision</p>	<p>Treasurer Accurate financial records Manage PTA bank account Issue Cheques Collate online payments Prepare annual records Bank cash</p>	<p>Secretary Issue agendas for meetings Take minutes at meetings Assist with GDPR Handle correspondence</p>	<p>Committee members Keep the charity running as it should Vote on funding Assist with delegated jobs such as Social media Raffle officer Vice chair Assistant treasurer</p>
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AGM - 18:30 26th September 2023
Venue TBC (Microsoft Teams option also available)

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Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

School year 2023-2024

Term	Start	Half Term starts	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn	Fri 1 September 2023	Mon 30 October 2023	Fri 3 November 2023	Fri 22 December 2023
Spring	Mon 8 January 2024	Mon 12 February 2024	Fri 16 February 2024	Fri 22 March 2024
Summer	Mon 8 April 2024	Mon 27 May 2024	Fri 31 May 2024	Fri 19 July 2024

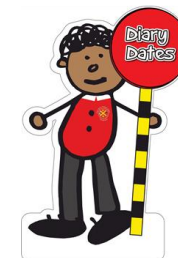
May day - Monday 6 May 2024

INSET Days – School is closed for children:
 Friday 1st September
 Friday 27th October
 Monday 6th November
 Friday 22nd December
 Friday 9th February.
 Friday 22nd March

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



Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

September		
Date	Time	Event/Activity
Wednesday 20 th September	All Day	National Fitness Day – All children to wear PE kit to school
	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Additional Learning Needs
Thursday 21 st September	All Day	International Day of Peace
Wednesday 27 th September	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Our Challenge Curriculum
October		
Tuesday 3 rd October	All Day	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 4 th October to Friday 6 th October	3 Days	Year 6 Gilwern Residential trip
Thursday 5 th October	All Day	National Poetry Day
Wednesday 11 th October	All Day	Harvest – Children may bring in tinned food to be disturbed to local foodbanks
	All Day	Year 5 Trip – Harry Potter Studios
	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop - Reading
Friday 13 th October	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Forum
Wednesday 18 th October	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Spelling & Handwriting
Friday 20 th October	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 5 Values Assembly and PACT (Unity) Parents invited to attend
Wednesday 25 th October	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – Relationships, Sexuality Education
Friday 27 th October	All Day	INSET DAY – School Closed for Pupils
Monday 30 th October – Friday 3 rd November	1 Week	Half Term



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November		
Date	Time	Event/Activity
Monday 6 th November	All Day	INSET DAY – School Closed for Pupils
Tuesday 7 th November	5.00pm – 6.30pm	Helping your Child in Reception Workshop
Wednesday 8 th November	5.00pm – 6.30pm	Helping your Child in Nursery Workshop
Tuesday 14 th November	3.40pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Evening 1
Wednesday 15 th November	9.00am – 10.00am	Parent Workshop – The Importance of Play
	3.40pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultations – Evening 2
Friday 17 th November	All Day	Children in Need – SPOTacular – children may be creative, wearing spots etc to school
	9.15am – 10.30am	Year 5 Values Assembly and PACT (Determination) Parents are invited to attend
Monday 20 th November to Friday 8 th December	10.15am – 12.45pm Daily for 3 Weeks	Year 6 Swimming – 3 week block



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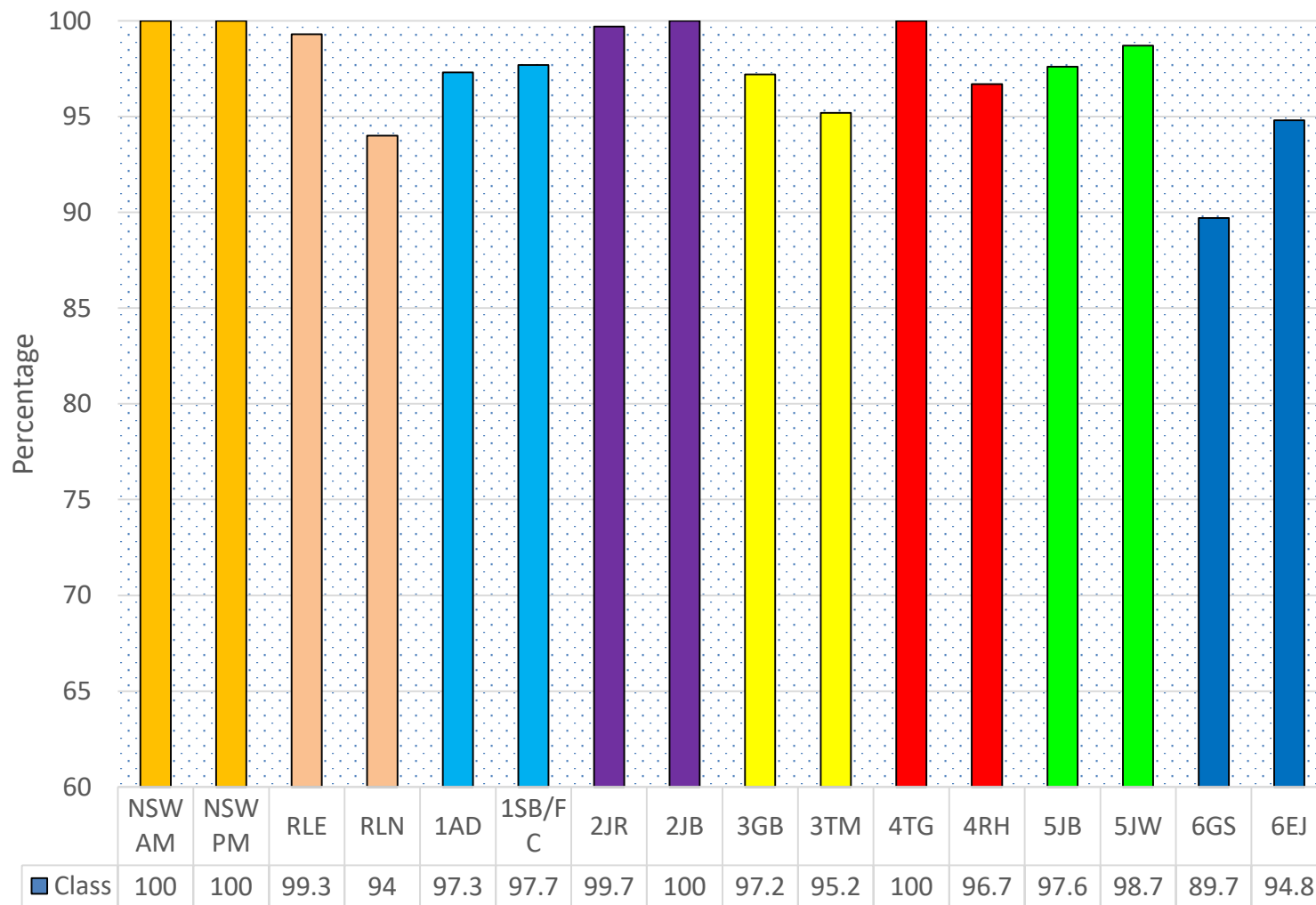
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December		
Monday 11 th December	9.15am – 9.45am	Nursery am – Christmas Concert
	1.00pm – 1.30pm	Nursery pm – Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Year 6 Christmas Concert
Tuesday 12 th December	9.30am – 11.00am	Year 6 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Year 5 Christmas Concert
Wednesday 13 th December	9.30am – 11.00am	Year 5 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Year 3/4 Christmas Concert
Thursday 14 th December	9.30am – 11.00am	Year 3/4 Christmas Concert
	11.15am – 12.00am	Reception Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Year 1/2 Christmas Concert
Friday 15 th December	9.30am – 11.00am	Year 1/2 Christmas Concert
	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Year Reception Christmas Concert
Monday 18 th December	2.00pm – 3.00pm	Nursery to Year 2 Christmas Parties
Tuesday 19 th December	10.00am – 11.00am	Breakfast and Story with Santa – Nursery to Year 2
	2.00pm – 3.20pm	Year 3 to Year 6 Christmas Parties
Friday 22 nd December	All Day	INSET DAY – School Closed for Pupils
Friday 22 nd December to Friday 5 th January	2 Weeks	Christmas holidays



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 all of our classes with 100% 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.



Follow us on X



Keep up to date with news and our learning on X!

Class/ Area	X
Main School	@PentrepoethPrim
Nursery – Miss Williams	@PPSMrsWilliams
Reception – Mr Nocivelli	@PPSMrNocivelli
Reception – Miss Ellis and Mrs Cleaves	@PPSMissEllis @PPSMrsBatrouni
Year 1- Mrs Drummond	@PPSMrsDrummond
Year 2- Mrs Beard	@PPSMrsBeard2jib
Year 2 – Mrs Rose	@PPSMrsRose
Year 3 – Mr Merriman	@PPSMrmerriman
Year 3 – Miss Blair	@PPSMissBlair
Year 4 – Mrs Gooding	@PPSMrsGooding
Year 4 – Mr Hall	@PPSMrHall
Year 5 – Mrs Baxter	@PPSMrsBaxter
Year 5 – Mr Willmore	@PPSMrWillmore
Year 6 – Mrs Jones	@PPSMrsJones
Year 6 – Mrs Symes	@PPSMrsSymes



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