

RHIGOS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday, 24 January 2020



"Together we plant the seeds for tomorrow's future"

This week's attendance is:-

Nursery - 92.7

Dosbarth 1 - 96.3

Dosbarth 2 - 95.5

Dosbarth 3 - 97.7%

Whole school attendance - 95.7%

This week, attendance is at 95.7%. Our target is 95.4%.

School attendance remains a key priority for us as a school and Rhondda Cynon Taf as an LEA so that we can ensure that all learners are safeguarded and have the best possible opportunities of achieving success throughout their education.

Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in school unless they are genuinely ill and unable to attend. Even if your child wakes up poorly but is fine later on, they should still come to school.



Seren yr Wythnos

Nursery - Daisy for using Welsh whenever she can.

Class 1- Khloe for working so hard on her phonics.

Class 2- Grace for always trying her best and having superb behaviour on our trip to St Fagans.

Class 3- Kayden for excellent behaviour and Maths skills.

Head teacher's Award - Maisie, Bethan, Jayden, Morgan and Kayden (our School Council) for making us all very proud when they gave a presentation to our Governors.

Siaradwr Cymraeg yr Wythnos



This week's Welsh speaker is
JANET

Browddeg yr Wythnos

Phrase of the week

Ble wyt ti'n byw?

Where do you live?

PARKING

In the interest of safety for our children please could I ask you to refrain from parking on the yellow lines in front of the school and from parking on the pavement opposite the entrance of the school. With the darker mornings and poor visibility during bad weather crossing the road becomes very hazardous when the traffic is increased at the start and the end of the school day.



Holidays in term time

Can I remind everyone that holidays will only be authorised if your child's attendance for the 12 months prior to the holiday application is over 95% and stays above 95% to the date of travel.



Pupil contact details

Please can you notify the school of any change of address or contact details as soon as any changes are made for your child.



Signing out book

All children must be signed out by a parent or guardian when they are taken out of school during the school day and the school must have prior warning. Any hospital, dentist etc appointment letters/cards must be shown and kept on file. The book is kept in the school office and is monitored by the Attendance officer.



~~Allergies~~

As we continually update our records please could you inform us of any NEW allergies that your child may have.

Absence messages

When your child is absent from school a message should be left on the school phone informing us of the illness.

Unfortunately saying "unwell" is not acceptable by the Attendance and Wellbeing Service, so we ask for your support in that a more detailed explanation is given.



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This Friday we were visited by the Arty Facts Theatre Group. They presented their performance, 'Best Friends For Ever'. It was a play on anti-bullying involving acting, music and puppets. The children were enthralled joining in with the actions, songs and questions. They all enjoyed themselves and learnt about an important topic. Arty Facts Theatre thanked us for our warm welcome and praised the behaviour of the children.

Best Friends!!



As part of their topic on The Victorians, Class Two visited St Fagan's, Museum of Welsh Life.

Leo and Gracie said this: "We saw a Victorian schoolhouse which had lots of detailed things such a cane, a wooden tool that stopped children writing with their left hands (teachers were really mean then), a bell and some chalk, wooden desks which had holes in the desks where you put in ink to dip pen or quill to write. We saw a mill and a water wheel that powered everything up. We saw the grinder that turns the little seeds into flour. A pigsty where pigs used to live and lots of mud. We went to the Rhyd-Y- Car houses where houses changed over time and got better and better. Every house changed but at the same time stayed the same. The bathroom was outside and the bath was in the kitchen which caused a privacy issue. The back garden had lots of carrots growing. The last house had proper food like fish fingers".



They also enjoyed their packed lunch and a visit to the shop!!

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JANUARY 2020

Monday 27th - PTA meeting 3.30pm, everyone welcome to join in.

FEBRUARY

Monday 3rd - Whole school St David's day photo for Cynon Valley Leader

Thursday 6th - Big Foot workshops for all pupils

Friday 7th - Inset day school closed to pupils

Thursday 13th - Nursery and Class 1 to visit Hirwaun Fire Station

Half term break Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February

Friday 28th - St David's Day celebrations for pupils

MARCH

Thursday 5th - World book day

Thursday 12th - Fluoride brushing N/R/Y1

Friday 13th - Sport Relief day

Tuesday 31st - Class 3 trip to Big Pit

APRIL

Friday 3rd - Easter Service Bethel Chapel and **end of Spring term**

Summer Term starts Monday 20th April

National Tests - Tuesday 28th April to Tuesday 5th May (no holidays will be authorised during this week, all pupils in years 2 to 6 must sit the tests)



Rhigos Primary is a Nut Free School