

# Ysgol Gynradd Porthcawl Primary School

## Newsletter 31.01.25

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### Reminder - Parent Support and Information Sessions

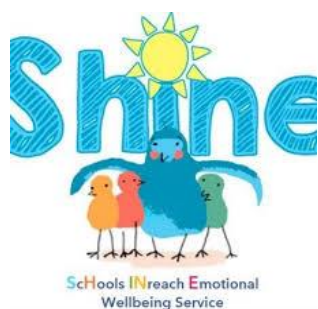
We are fortunate enough to have had Mr Babatola who is an emotional wellbeing practitioner allocated to work with our staff, pupils, parents and families.

Mr Babatola works for SHINE (Schools in Reach Emotional Wellbeing Service) which is funded by the NHS. Mr Babatola will be holding some informal parent information and support sessions which you are welcome to attend.

He is also available to meet with individual families to provide support and guidance.

If you are interested in attending any of these sessions please can you contact the school office on [admin@porthcawlps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@porthcawlps.bridgend.cymru) or speak to Mr Richards / Mrs Blackmore.

|            | Individual parent sessions availability | Information sessions                            |
|------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 22.01.2025 | 1:10 – 3:10                             | No availability                                 |
| 05.02.2025 | 1:10 – 3:10                             | Supporting your child with emotional resilience |
| 19.02.2025 | 1:10 – 3:10                             | Challenging behaviour at home                   |



### World Book Day

At Porthcawl Primary School we like to be different from the rest of the World!

Due to swimming and St David's Day we will be celebrating World Book Day on a different day. **The PPS World book day will be on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March.** Pupils will be able to come to school dressed as a character from a book and bring their favourite book to school. We will also be doing various book related activities during the day.



### Parent and carer meetings

Parent/ carer meetings will take place at school during the **week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March** for all classes with the exception of Nursery.

Please keep an eye out for a text / email inviting you to make an online appointment - we will let you know when the system is live.

**After school clubs will not be taking place during that week.**

### Swimming Sessions

We are due to start out intensive swimming sessions on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** (please see timetable below for dates).

Swimming sessions will take place at Pyle Swimming Pool and pupils will be travelling to the venue by bus. Sessions will take place during the morning and pupils will return to school in time for lunch as normal.

#### Swimming Timetable

Dosbarth Teifi - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March (morning)

Dosbarth Conwy - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March (morning)

Dosbarth Llynfi - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March (morning)

### Considerate and safe parking

The increasing number of cars outside school at the beginning and end of the day is a common issue for the majority of schools in the country.

We encourage families to walk to school wherever possible and politely request that parents and visitors to the school park in surrounding roads with thought and consideration for the children, other adults and the local community. Thank you.

### Weekly Attendance (96% target)

| Class        | Attendance |
|--------------|------------|
| Reception    | 93%        |
| Garw         | 99%        |
| Ewenni       | 96%        |
| Teifi        | 97%        |
| Conwy        | 93%        |
| Llynfi       | 96%        |
| Whole School | 95%        |

### Diary Dates:

**Fluoride Varnish**  
N to Yr2  
04.02.25

**Football / Netball  
Away Match  
St Clares**  
07.02.25

**Football / Netball  
Away Match  
Newton Primary**  
14.02.25

**Cycle Training - Yr6**  
w/c 17.02.25

**Plantasia - Yr1**  
18.02.24

**Cardiff City Museum  
Dosbarth Teifi**  
20.02.25

**Castell Coch - Reception**  
18.02.25  
(change of date)

**Beach Academy Wales  
Dosbarth Conwy**  
11.02.25

**UWIC visit  
Dosbarth Conwy**  
05.03.25

**Half Term Holiday**  
24.02.25  
to  
28.02.25

**World Book Day**  
25.03.25

**Crucial Crew - Year 6**  
04.04.25

### School Mission Statement:

Together every member of our school community will feel fulfilled, valued, and happy. We will develop as ambitious, capable learners who set ourselves high standards and seek and enjoy challenges. We will provide opportunities to express ideas, take risks and problem solve so that we all become creative contributors. In our nurturing environment everyone will feel confident, safe and healthy. With trust and mutual respect, we will build positive relationships. We will respect the needs and rights of ourselves and others as ethically informed citizens of a diverse society in Porthcawl, Wales and the wider world.