

Ysgol Gynradd Porthcawl Primary School

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Term Dates

	Full term	Half term holiday
Autumn	2 Sept – 20 Dec	28 Oct – 1 Nov
Spring	6 Jan – 11 April	24 Feb – 28 Feb
Summer	28 April – 21 July	26 May – 30 May

After School Clubs

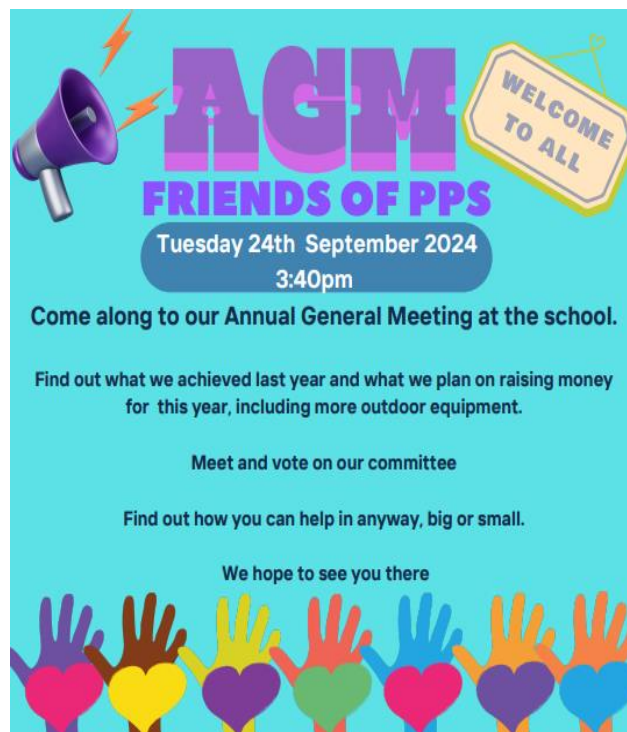
Club	Day	Staff member	Year group	Max numbers
Welsh	Tues	Ms Loveluck	2-6	12
Netball	Tues	Ms Smith	5-6	N/A
Mini Netball	Wed	Ms Blackmore	3-4	N/A
Football	Thurs	Mr Richards	5-6	N/A
Yoga	Fri	Ms Howells	1-3	N/A

Details of afterschool clubs have been circulated to all parents and carers. You will have received a text informing you of club enrolment for your child.

This term all clubs run from the week commencing 23rd September. There will be no clubs during the weeks commencing 21 October and 16 December. Clubs operate from 3.15 to 4.15pm.

Fairtrade Fortnight

We loved welcoming Jenipher and Elin to our school today. Jenipher is a coffee farmer from Uganda and Elin owns the One Un Café in Newton which sells Jenipher's Fairtrade coffee (it is just up from the Globe). They spoke to Years 2 to 6 about the coffee process and the positive impact Fairtrade has on the lives of Jenipher, her family and their community. Some of our pupils also visited the café this week to speak to learn more about fairtrade. The One Un Café is well worth a visit if you fancy a great cup of coffee and a cake as well as a warm welcome.



Whole Class Meetings - Reception to Y6

A whole class meeting for your child's class is being held on **MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER** at 3.50pm and 4.30pm (the two meetings are the same so you can choose which time suits you best).

The meeting is for all the parents and carers of your child's class and will last for approximately half an hour. You will have the opportunity to find out more about what your child is doing at school and when they are doing it! You will also be able to ask questions, chat to the teacher and have a look at the classroom.

Please note that this meeting is for parents and carers – it will be easier for you to listen without your child. However, if you are unable to get childcare, you are able to bring your child with you.

We really hope that you can join us – there is no need to book!

Thank you volunteers

A huge thank you to all the lovely mums and grandpa for painting our outdoor equipment this week.

Attendance

Good school attendance is extremely important.

Please read the following information so that you understand the school absence procedure.

Parents and carers are expected to **contact the school office on the first day of absence and to provide reasons for their child's absence by 9.30am**. This will be recorded by the school. If parents/carers fail to notify the school, then contact will be made by the school. The absence will be recorded as unauthorised if no contact is made. Failure to receive any contact on the third day of absence may result in the involvement of the EWO. Please note that absence must be reported via the school office and not passed on to a member of staff on the yard. We have a dedicated 24 hour absence answer phone where messages can be left at any time.

Pupil absence is to be investigated and recorded accurately via SIMS using the appropriate code. The systems used to ascertain pupil absence will consist either or all of the following:

- Text messaging parents / carer each day a pupil is absent
- Telephone contact with parents / carer
- Letter requesting information regarding specific pupil absence
- Referral to EWO service
- Home visit

Weekly Attendance (96% target)

Class	Attendance
Reception	94%
Garw	100%
Ewenni	97%
Teifi	97%
Conwy	92%
Llynfi	97%
Whole School	96%

Diary Dates:

Whole Class Meetings

23.09.24
3.50 or 4.30pm

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11.10.24



Fluoride Varnish Nursery to Year 2

15.10.24

Gower Heritage Dosbarth Teifi

17.10.24

Half Term

28.10.24 to 01.11.24

Parent/ Carer Individual Pupil Meetings

21.10.24 – 24.10.24



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.