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Tuesday 8th April 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been another busy half term, and the children have once again risen to the challenge. Our theme, *"What's Around the Corner?"*, has been embraced throughout the school. Enfyys have been busy planning a holiday for Pip the Penguin; Years 1 and 2 have been planting seeds, investigating minibeasts, and creating bug hotels. Years 3 and 4 have been working with senior citizens—learning about their lives, drawing portraits, and teaching them a range of IT skills. Meanwhile, Years 5 and 6 have been exploring Welsh history and key events, as well as investigating structures through building and testing bridges. There has been a real buzz of energy throughout the school.

This half term began with our St David's Day celebrations and Eisteddfod. Children from Year 1 to Year 6 worked alongside their housemates to complete a variety of activities of their choice. This included flower arranging, handwriting, painting, collage, and poetry, to name just a few. The children thoroughly enjoyed the challenges and ended the day with our whole-school Eisteddfod. Each year group sang beautifully, and certificates were awarded to the winners of the morning's competitions. We were very lucky to welcome our guest judges for the day, Mr. Thomas and Miss Morgan, who had the difficult job of selecting the winners.

After the break, Junior children will begin swimming lessons at Llantrisant Pool, taking place every Thursday for ten weeks. We kindly ask that Junior parents ensure swimming letters are returned before the end of term.

A big thank you to everyone for making such an effort to arrive on time each morning—it is very much appreciated by us all.

We are looking forward to our annual Easter/Spring Bonnet Parade, which will take place on Friday morning. All children are invited to create and wear an Easter or Spring-themed bonnet to school on the last day of term. The children should come into class for registration and will then line up on the front playground at around 9:15am. Family members are more than welcome to join us for the walk around the village. Upon returning to school, we kindly ask that parents remain at the school gates so that we can safely return the children to class. Everyone is welcome to take part in the walk.

We have been informed by local residents that some cars are still being parked over driveways and on double yellow lines, blocking access to properties during drop-off and pick-up times. This creates an unsafe environment for all. We kindly ask everyone to be considerate and mindful of the safety of our children and the wider community. We are very fortunate to have Dennis, our dedicated crossing patrol officer, who helps ensure the children cross the road safely—please do make use of this service.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has already completed the school questionnaire. Your feedback is extremely important to us and helps guide improvements across the school. If you haven't yet completed it, you can do so via the following link: <https://forms.gle/ELpXbYFYjRgHeWsw5>

Thank you for your support this half term. I would like to wish you all a very enjoyable break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday, 29th April**, as **Monday is an INSET day**.

Kind regards,

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Dates for Term 3

Friday 11th April

Easter Bonnet Parade (Bonnets/hats needed)

Last day of term

Term 3

Monday 28th April

INSET Day 5

Tuesday 29th April

Children return to school

Thursday 1st May

Junior swimming lessons in Llantrisant begin (ten weeks)

Monday 5th May

Bank Holiday Monday

Wednesday 7th May

Year 6 Residential

Friday 23rd May

Last day of half term

Monday 2nd June

Return to school

Wednesday 25th June

Sports Day 9.45am Nursery/Reception, 1.30pm Year 1-Year 6

Thursday 26th June

New Nursery Parents' Meeting

Thursday 3rd July

Summer Fair 3.30-5pm

Thursday 10th July

Last swimming session

Friday 11th July

Y6 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm

Reports to parents during the week

New class visits for pupils in September (am)

Tuesday 15th July

Parent Meeting to meet the new class teacher ready for September

Friday 18th July

Last day of term for the children

Monday 21st July

INSET Day 6

Monday 1st September 2025

INSET Day 1