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Wainfelin Road, Pontypool, Torfaen NP4 6BX

Friday 28th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

This week has been very busy indeed. One highlight has been our Leaver's Assembly today. The children outdid themselves with their singing, I don't think there was a dry eye in the room. The children reminisced about experiences they have had, roles they have fulfilled and being a pupil at George Street. I am sure you are very much looking forward to their concert next, I know I certainly am!

YEAR I BECOME FIRE PEOPLE

Year one pupils learnt the importance of knowing their address and 'what to do if there is a fire in their home' via a talk from the firemen. The children were very inquisitive and are now aware of the importance of identifying safety precautions in their home. Ask them to tell you the rhyme about matches! Pupil's highlight of the visit was using the hose to hit a target ... and soaking our Year 6 pupils in the process! During their visit the firemen asked us to stress the importance of families 1) teaching children their address 2) planning an escape route with your child(ren) and what they should do in the event of a fire in their home.



They also advised they will fit fire alarms for free in your home if you do not have one. Please call Fire Service HQ on 01443 232000 to arrange.

MINI OLYMPICS



It was such a pleasure to host our annual Mini Olympics event for the 8th year and what a brilliant day it was! With over 100 children attending from George Street, New Inn, Pardre Pio, Cwmffrwdoer and Nant Celyn, the excitement levels were off the scale! The children competed in sprint, relay, javelin, triple jump, long jump, obstacle and shot-put events and the skill levels on show were absolutely fantastic. Our team were so brilliant and picked up a whole host of gold, silver and bronze medals. Everyone involved embraced the true spirit of the Olympic games with a friendly atmosphere and a supportive and encouraging nature was evident throughout the day from all the schools. Huge thanks to West Mon sports leaders, our two willing helpers and of course, Torfaen Sports Development team for their ongoing support. A special day indeed with lots of smiles and lovely memories made for our teams.

TORFAEN FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

The year 3 football team took the short trip to Cwmbran Stadium to take part in the Torfaen Football Festival. The children enjoyed lots of different shooting, defending, ball control and attacking drills and then

moved on to some small sided games against some local schools. The skills on show were as hot as the sun! There were lots of goals, some super defending and excellent goals keeping along with great sportsmanship as always. Well done year 3!

HOLE IN ONE

We absolutely love to provide as many different experiences as we can, and this was no exception! Golf was the order of the day and what fun it was! A team of

> 12 children from year 6 enjoyed putting, chipping and long-distance challenges and did brilliantly. There were lots of smiles along the way, even when some of the children managed to completely miss the ball or the course! The mini golf style challenges were super tricky but lots of fun. Well done to everyone who took part.

TORFAEN POSTER COMPETITION

Sixty new signs are to be put up around Torfaen in litter and fly-tipping hotspots. This is to encourage the public to stop dropping or dumping rubbish. 82 children across the authority submitted entries and one of our very own pupils came 2nd place. We can't wait to see her poster up in the community.

If you would like to read more information about the initiative, please visit https://orlo.uk/HiKTP

A huge congratulations!

BLUEBELL VISIT THE PARK

On Wednesday Bluebell class in Reception went on their very first school outing: walk to Pontypool Park. It was the perfect way to celebrate our first full year at George Street and the children's behaviour was exemplary as they walked through town. They listened brilliantly and their manners when talking to members of the public were beautiful. The teachers were all so proud of them. Once at the park, not only

did the children play games in the maze, visit a magical tree, listen to Fairy music and watch a family of ducklings splashing in the pond, we were also so happy to welcome families to join us for a picnic in the glorious summer sun. After our food we enjoyed some time in the playground. Thank you to all the families for their support - the children loved having you join us for our day.

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE

The headteacher certificate goes to Suzie Goodwin from nursery. She was very welcoming when I was visiting the Early Years building this week and said a big hello when she saw me. She certainly made me smile.







COMMUNITY LINKS



At Colliers Farm, children and families are invited to meet and learn about their farm animals. Under supervision, children can meet, pet, feed and help care for their animals. They have designated sessions for children with ALN. These sessions are held regularly, but places must be booked in advance. Please check the website for further details and to book tickets. <u>https://www.colliersfarm.uk/</u>



DIARY DATES

July 2024	
I st July	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day at 1:30pm
	Reception Parent Event – Come and Play (Sunflower) at 12:30pm
	Pontypool Park
2 nd July	Year 3 Coastal Trip (Mr Manson's class)
3 rd July	Move Up Day
4 th July	Year 3 Coastal Trip (Mr Edward's class)
	Leavers Concert at 1:30pm (extended family e.g grandparents/young
	children)
5 th July	Reception Sports Day at 9:30am
	Leavers Concert at 1:30pm

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	Year 5 Sleepover (more information to follow)	
8 th July	Years I and 2 Sports Day at 1:30pm	
9 th July	Years 6 Leavers Trip (more information to follow)	
I 2 th July	Years 5 and 6 Sports Day at 1:30pm	
	Year 6 Camping (more information to follow)	
I 5 th July	Nursery Sports Day at 10:30am	
I 6 th July	Year 4 Art Exhibition with parents at 2:15pm	

INSET DAYS NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

Monday 2nd September 2024 Friday 18th October 2024 Friday 20th December 2024 Friday 23rd May 2025 Monday 23rd June 2025 Monday 21st July 2025

Have a wonderful weekend. Mwynhewch eich penwythnos.

Kind regards



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