



## YSGOL GYNRADD A MEITHRIN STRYD SIORS GEORGE STREET PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

Wainfelin Road, Pontypool, Torfaen NP4 6BX

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

### JACK AND THE BEANWALK

Children really enjoyed the Jack and The Bean Walk assembly where they learnt about the importance of walking, cycling or scooting to school and the positive impact this will have on easing congestion outside our school gates.

Children understood the important messages that it's far quicker and less frustrating to walk part of the way (if not all the way) to school than sitting in traffic and/or trying to find a safe, legal place to park. They also understood that actively travelling to school not only helps with daily exercise but also supports a healthy mind.

**'If it's not too far, leave the car'.**

In the words of Carter Reagan (year 1), 'That performance was absolutely fantastic!'



### RACE EQUALITY FIRST



You may recall me writing about Faith Santos who won an anti-racism poster competition a few weeks ago. On Monday evening, myself, Mr Taylor and Mrs Goss went to support Faith in Cardiff at an award ceremony. Jason Mohammad, a TV and radio presenter, shared stories of his journey to success and how he overcame the challenges of racism as a teenage child. He then presented Faith with a framed print of her poster with a certificate and a £50 gift voucher. Over 1500 posters were entered into the competition from across south Wales and Faith was one of only 15 winners – the only winner from Torfaen! It was an honour to be part of a wonderful event and to watch Faith achieve something very special.

### ST CADOC'S SINGING FESTIVAL

On Thursday evening of this week, I attended the singing festival at St Cadoc's church. George Street choir began the festival by singing three fantastic songs. They sounded amazing and set the bar very high. Penygarth and West Mon choirs also performed and did a sterling job. Blaenavon Male Voice Choir joined the festival

and sang four captivating songs. A very enjoyable evening indeed! A huge thank you to Mrs Lloyd for all her hard work and for giving up her time so our choir to attend.

## THANK YOU PTA

I would like to thank our school PTA for organising two discos this week, a great way to celebrate the end of the school year. Treats and drinks were enjoyed by all, and the children showed off their creative dance moves. In total £290 was raised.

Our youngest children are enjoying their new table and benches in nursery, kindly funded by the PTA.



## GOODBYE MR BRASINGTON

This morning Mr Brasington attended school to bid farewell to our pupils. We held a celebratory assembly with performances from the whole school, school choir and year 6 pupils.

Mr Brasington became headteacher at George Street in 2018 and introduced initiatives the children still enjoy, particularly the 'Star Table' during a Friday lunch time.

On a personal note, Mr Brasington has been a great mentor to myself, and I wish him every happiness and success for the future.

## COMMUNITY LINKS

## DIARY DATES

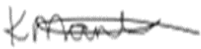
July 2024	
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery Sports Day at 10:30am
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Art Exhibition with parents at 2:15pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 1 and 2 Sports Day at 1:30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Sports Day at 2:00pm

## 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

  
K.Manley



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