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Wainfelin Road, Pontypool, Torfaen NP4 6BX

Friday 31st January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

TRY SOMETHING NEW

A delighted group of Year 5 pupils recently took part in the Try Something New event at Cwmbran Stadium, where they had the opportunity to experience a variety of exciting sporting activities, including Taekwondo, dodgeball, pickleball, free running, golf, and bowls. The day was filled with fun and energy, as the students showed a positive attitude and impressive skills during each taster session. A



huge congratulations to all the children involved, and a big thank you to the Torfaen Sports Development team and their dedicated sports leaders for making the event such a success. If your child is interested in taking part in any sporting activities outside of school, please don't hesitate to get in touch. With strong connections to local clubs and coaches, we are happy to guide you in the right direction for further opportunities.

ANIMAL VISITORS IN BLWYDDYN DERBYN!



This week, Reception had some amazing animal visitors! We met lizards, a giant snake, fluffy pets including rabbits and guinea pigs, a cuddly meerkat, a skunk, a fox and many more. The children loved the rare and exciting opportunity to experience these animals up close and to learn some interesting facts about them too. A big thank you to our guests for making the afternoon so special and exciting!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

It has been noticed that more children are choosing to wear their own clothes to school on a daily basis. There is an expectation that children wear school uniform. The wearing of uniform gives pupils a sense of identity, gives status to the school and encourages pupils to dress neatly and wear suitable clothing. Uniform removes peer pressure to dress in particular fashions and enables pupils of all backgrounds to share in a common identity.

We aim for uniform to be as affordable, functional and easy as possible. Branded items are not compulsory, and we have arrangements in place for parents/carers to access preloved uniform (please contact the school office). Trac2, based in Trevethin, also has a wide variety of pre-loved uniform and PE kits. Non-branded uniform can be purchased from most supermarkets.

Should parents/carers wish to purchase branded items, our local outlets for school uniform with the George Street Primary School logo are:

- 'Pretty Miss' <u>www.Kidsschoolkits.co.uk</u>
- Ruck Um Maul Sports <u>www.ruckummau.sports.shop</u>

Uniform Items

Grey/black trousers, shorts and/or skirts/dresses White polo t-shirt Red sweatshirt or cardigan Black shoes/trainers (no high heels or slip on shoes such as Crocs should be worn to school)

*Children in Nursery and Reception are encouraged to bring spare clothing to school every day in case of accidents.

FOOD AND WELLBEING CAMP



A food and wellbeing camp will be taking place at George Street on Tuesday 25th February, Wednesday 26th February and Thursday 27th February, 10:00am-3:00pm. Children will be provided with a free healthy lunch each time.

If you would like to book a place for your child, please click the link below:

https://iweb.itouchvision.com/portal/itouchvision/r/customer/category_link?cuid=CCA8599AE222B64E553E30594314 01AB98C0B98E&lang=EN&P_LANG=en

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE

Congratulations to Osetale Ediale from Year 5 for receiving my certificate this week. He has received this certificate for always being extremely polite and caring! Thank you, Osetale.

COMMUNITY LINKS





DIARY

February	
2025	
Monday 3 rd	Year 3 to begin Kerb Craft Project (pupil event only within school hours).
February	
*NEW EVENT	Reception visit to Pontypool Library
Tuesday 18 th	
February	
17 th to 21 st	Welsh Week – in preparation for Eisteddfod
February	
Thursday 20 th	Year I Family Forest School Session – afternoon
February	More information to follow from class teachers
*NEW EVENT	Reception home reading book launch for children and families @ 2:15pm (more info from
Friday 21 st	class teachers to follow)
February	
24 th to 28 th	HALF TERM
February	

March 2025	
Thursday 6 th	World Book Day – non-uniform day with more information to follow
March	
Thursday 6 th	PTA Book Sale – more information to follow
March	
Friday 7 th March	School Eisteddfod (pupil event only within school hours).
	Children are welcome to wear Welsh themed/Welsh coloured clothing.
Friday 28 th March	Non-uniform day in exchange for a chocolate bar (in readiness for chocolate raffle)

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Kind regards



