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## GEORGE STREET PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

Wainfelin Road, Pontypool, Torfaen NP4 6BX

Dear Parents/Carers

## **GWENT MUSIC DEMO ASSEMBLY**

This week, we had the privilege of welcoming Dave from Gwent Music to our school. He led an inspiring and engaging assembly, showcasing the many benefits of singing and music lessons. The children were treated to a lively mix of singing, piano playing, drumming, and plenty of fun. Afterwards, the children had the opportunity to perform for Dave and they sounded fantastic, singing with immense pride and energy. A huge thank you to Dave for making the experience so memorable. Both children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the assembly, and we're grateful for his visit!

Friday 7th February 2025



## **DANCE FEVER**

Excitement filled the school on Thursday afternoon as music blared from the hall, setting the stage for the much-anticipated dance auditions. Many children took to the spotlight, dancing in front of their peers; the atmosphere was truly electric. The energy was infectious, with everyone fully embracing the moment. What stood out the most was the respect and sportsmanship displayed by all, as the children cheered each other on and celebrated one another's efforts. It was a fantastic display of talent and teamwork, and a reminder of the positive spirit that makes our school community so special.

#### YEAR THREE ROAD SAFETY

Year 3 have taken part in KerbCraft this week. They have been learning how to be safer pedestrians by teaching the children how the right decision-making and behaviour can really help them to keep safe when crossing the road, practising by safely crossing the road outside of school. The children have really enjoyed the programme and learning all about road safety.

## **YOUNG SCHOLARS**

We must give a huge congratulations to our Young Scholars from Year 6 who graduated on Thursday at Bath University. They had a fun filled day, learning so much about university life and thinking about their futures. The children particularly enjoyed the whistle-stop tour of the HUGE Bath University campus which included an actual London 2012 Olympics pool, duck ponds and the biggest gym they think they've ever seen! The children's behaviour was exemplary and was complemented extensively by the University staff who were also super impressed with our pupils' maturity and level of knowledge. A special shout out to Menuli and Nieve who presented a fantastic speech in front of a lecture theatre full of fellow scholars and university staff. Congratulations guys!



#### GEORGE STREET PORTABLE BUILDING

We are excited to announce that a new portable building will be located on our school field! This building is part of our effort to strengthen connections with our community by hosting more events and collaborating with agencies to provide valuable support, particularly in areas such as financial assistance and qualifications. Over the next few years, we have many exciting plans for the use of this space, and we can't wait to get started. Construction on our field will begin next week, with the portable building set to be delivered and erected in March. We look forward to the positive impact this new addition will have on our school and community!

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA

\*\*New Year, New Way to Make a Difference! \*\*

Following all your amazing help with our ASDA Cashpot for school's fundraiser we wanted to try other, similarly easy avenues for fundraising.

Did you know your online shopping can support George Street PTA and George Street School, completely free of charge? The easiest way to support George Street PTA is to sign up to Easy Fundraising! Our committee have been using it over the last few weeks and have raised over £20 on things they would have bought anyway!

It's simple - shop with 8,000+ online retailers and we'll receive a free donation. For this month only, when you register to support us via their app we'll automatically receive £2. When 10 or more of you register, we'll unlock even more bonus funding! It takes only a few seconds to download and is absolutely free of charge.

Download the app now and choose to support George Street PTA:

<a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app?utm\_campaign=pmc&utm\_source=facebook&utm\_medium=social&utm\_content=pta-bonus-feb-fb1">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app?utm\_campaign=pmc&utm\_source=facebook&utm\_medium=social&utm\_content=pta-bonus-feb-fb1</a>

## **HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE**

Congratulations to Charlotte Morgan from Reception for receiving my certificate this week. She is always very polite and greets me with a lovely smile each day! Well done, Charlotte.

#### **COMMUNITY LINKS**





## **DIARY**

| February                             |   |
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| 2025                                 |   |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>              | Year 4 trip to Pontypool Library  |
| February                             |   |
| Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>             | Reception visit to Pontypool Library  |
| February                             |   |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> | Welsh Week – in preparation for Eisteddfod  |
| February                             |   |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>            | Year I Family Forest School Session – afternoon                                       |
| February                             | (more information to follow from class teachers)                                      |
| Friday 21st                          | Reception home reading book launch for children and families @ 2:15pm (more info from |
| February                             | class teachers to follow)   |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> | HALF TERM   |
| February                             |   |

| March 2025                   |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>     | World Book Day – non-uniform day with more information to follow                    |
| March                        |   |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>     | PTA Book Sale – more information to follow  |
| March                        |   |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March | School Eisteddfod (pupil event only within school hours)                            |
|                              | Children are welcome to wear Welsh themed/Welsh coloured clothing                   |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>      | Year 2 trip to Aerospace in Bristol (more info to follow from class teachers)       |
| March                        |   |
| Friday 28th March            | Non-uniform day in exchange for a chocolate bar (in readiness for chocolate raffle) |

# Kind regards









