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Dydd Gwener 28 Mawrth 2025

## Annwyl Parents/Carers

This week at school has been filled with excitement as six chicks have hatched! A big thank you to Mrs. Lloyd for her dedication in trying to keep the live video feed running, as she made multiple trips back and forth to school throughout the evening to capture the event. Although the signal wasn't strong enough for a continuous live stream, some of our Year 5 students were lucky enough to witness one of the chicks hatch during the school day, making it a memorable moment for everyone involved. The anticipation and joy in the classroom have truly made this a week to remember!



### PARENT CONSULTATION

Parent consultation invites have now been sent via a text message. The consultations will be **face to face at school.** If you are having any problems booking your place, please phone the office. Nursery parents: your consultations will take place after Easter but will also be face to face within school hours. Mrs Davies will provide more information.

#### A CHANGE TO THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY

Starting Monday, March 31st, we will be trialling a new access procedure for KS2 children. They will be able to enter the school via the Conway Road and School Lane gates, rather than walking to the front of the school at the beginning of the day. We hope this change will promote more active travel to school, help reduce traffic at the front of the school and make the journey easier and safer for the children. Staff will be stationed at the new gates in the morning to ensure that children head straight to class.

Please note, parents and carers will not be allowed to enter any of the internal gates unless specifically requested. If you need to visit the office, you will still need to go to the front of the school and buzz in at the main gate.

This is a trial, and if we identify any safety concerns, the procedure will be stopped. For the time being, children in Year I and Year 2 will continue to enter through the Year I gate as usual.

End-of-day procedures will remain unchanged, as ensuring the safety of the children is our top priority, and our current procedures are working well to maintain this.

### **GIRLS CRICKET AT CWMBRAN STADUIM**

This week, I I of our girls had the exciting opportunity to take part in cricket workshops at Cwmbran Stadium. They all had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience, learning new skills and techniques in a fun, supportive environment. It was clear to see their enthusiasm for the sport, and we can certainly say that we have some budding cricket players amongst them. It was a fantastic experience which sparked their interest in the game, and we look forward to seeing their skills develop further in the future.



#### **USE OF WELSH IN AND AROUND SCHOOL**

Children are awarded house points when they have been heard using Welsh in and around school. They can also gain points if they win the daily Welsh games played in class. Let's see how we are getting on:



#### **HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE**



My certificate is going to Phillip Williams this week. He visited me yesterday to show me the amazing invention he created at home as part of his school topic. I am super impressed by his dedication and hard work!

### **COMMUNITY LINKS**

# Life Skills Workshops



This Spring we are running 2 workshops taken from the Christians Against Poverty Life Skills course. They are:

## Workshop 1: Managing Money

Friday 4th April, 9:30am-1:30pm

- Create a budget See your money go further
- Stay on top of bills

### Workshop 2: Well-being Matters

Friday 11th April, 9:30am-1:30pm

Grow in self-confidence - Manage anxiety
Improve your relationships

Venue: Employment and Skills Shop

3 Monmouth Walk, Cwmbran, NP44 1PE

Workshops are free of charge, join us for one or both. Bacon rolls served on arrival. For any questions or to book your free place contact Simon on 07933 348307 or email torfaen@capuk.org



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April 2025	
Tuesday Ist April	Eisteddfod Show Case – parent event for children who attended Pontypool Eisteddfod
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Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 2 Museum of the Future – parent event 2:30pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent Consultation (Reception to Year 6 – excluding Year 2)
Wednesday 9th	Parent Consultation (Reception to Year 6)
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Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Welsh Water Assembly – children only
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Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultation – Year 2 only
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Friday I I <sup>th</sup> April	Chocolate raffle
Friday I I <sup>th</sup> April	Children break up for Easter (2 weeks)
Monday 28th April	Children back at school

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