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# **CRICKET SUCCESS**

Cricket season has arrived!

A huge congratulations to our Year 5 and Year 6 boys' cricket teams who proudly represented our school at the Cricket Wales Tournament held at Ponthir Cricket Club. Throughout the day, the boys showcased fantastic improvements in their batting, bowling, and fielding skills, while demonstrating excellent sportsmanship.

Year 6 finished in an impressive 3rd place overall

Year 5 secured a strong 5th place finish

Well done to all involved for a fantastic effort and a memorable day of cricket!



#### MINI OLYMPICS MAGIC



Our annual Mini Olympics event was a huge success, held on our school field with visiting teams from Padre Pio, Penygarn, Blaenavon, Cwmffrwdoer, and New Inn Primary Schools.

Children competed in a range of exciting events including: Sprint Javelin Long Jump Triple Jump Obstacle Course

The atmosphere was electric as each school cheered on their finalists in the thrilling heats and finals. The day concluded with a joyful medal ceremony, where gold, silver, and bronze medals were awarded, and every school left with medals and memories to treasure.

A special well done to all our Year 6 participants and the Year 5 team from Padre Pio. The true spirit of the Olympics was alive and well!

# YEAR I SHINES ON CARDIFF CASTLE ADVENTURE!

Shot Put

Year I pupils proudly represented our school on an exciting trip to Cardiff Castle before half term—and what a fantastic day it was! The children displayed impeccable behaviour throughout, making us all incredibly proud.

Their adventure began with a warm welcome from Sir Jay, a real knight! The children were full of awe as they met him and were fascinated to learn about the life of a knight. They had the unique opportunity to explore knight armour, feel the weight of chain mail, and even hold a giant sword!

The excitement continued as they toured the castle's living quarters, discovering how people lived in the past and exploring the rich history hidden within the castle walls.

It was a day full of learning, laughter, and unforgettable memories. Well done, Year I—you were true stars!

#### YEAR 5 ENTERPRISE EVENT - THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all the families who attended our Year 5 Enterprise Event before half term. It was wonderful to welcome you into school, even if just for a short while.



Thanks to your generosity and support—especially in purchasing the beautifully designed mugs created by the children—we raised approximately £130!

Your contributions not only helped make the event a success but also gave our pupils a valuable experience in creativity, teamwork, and entrepreneurship.

Well done, Year 5!

# **DRAGONS TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT - A DAY TO REMEMBER!**



We were delighted to be invited to take part in the Dragons Tag Rugby Tournament, made even more special by the incredible opportunity to play on the Rodney Parade pitch itself!

With many high-quality teams from across Gwent, the competition was fierce and the matches in our group were incredibly close. Although we narrowly missed out on a place in the semi-finals, our boys were an absolute joy to watch—scoring numerous tries and collecting tags with skill and determination.

The tournament was played in the true spirit of the game, with outstanding sportsmanship on display throughout. A huge congratulations to Monnow School, who were crowned overall champions after a thrilling final!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Dragons Rugby for hosting such a fantastic event and giving the children a day they'll never forget.

### **HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE**

This week's certificate is awarded to Joseph Barwood from Year 6!

Joseph is an absolute joy to have around. He often pops into my office for a friendly chat, shares stories about his adventures, and even offers me some thoughtful advice. His cheerful presence always brightens my day!

#### **REMINDER**

Although the summer break is fast approaching, we kindly remind all families that children are still expected to wear full school uniform each day, except on designated PE days.\_To help us return any lost items, please

ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name. **NIKE PRO** shorts are not to be worn to school.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain high standards and a sense of school pride!

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA

The easiest way to support our PTA is to sign up to easyfundraising! It's simple, when you shop with 8,000+ online retailers we'll receive a free donation. So far, we have 28 parents signed up and they've raised over £250. Imagine what we could do with more of the school signed up.

This month only, with their Free £2 App-eal, if you register to support us via their app, we'll get £2, plus when 10+ of you register we'll unlock more bonus funding! Get the Easy Fundraising app now and choose to support George Street PTA, Pontypool. If you enable the donation reminder, the app tells you which sites make donations as you browse. We would really appreciate your support!

## **COMMUNITY LINKS**





#### **DYDDIADUR**

June 2025	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Dance dress rehearsal at Congress Theatre. Mrs PW will provide more information.
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Dance show at Congress Theatre. Mrs PW will provide more information.
Wednesday I I <sup>th</sup>	Cricket tournament for girls. Mrs PW will provide more information.
June	
Wednesday I I <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 to visit West Mon for West Mon Wednesday activities
June	
Thursday 12th	Year I and 2 Sports Day - 1.30pm. Families welcome
June	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 canal basin trip
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 rugby at West Mon for named pupils
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day – 1:30pm. Families welcome
Wednesday 18th	Year 6 rugby at West Mon for named pupils
June	
Thursday 19th	New intake meeting for Nursery and Reception families – 9:30am in school hall
June	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Pontypool Park trip for raft building
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET DAY – school closed to children

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Safe Cycling begins for Year 5. Teachers will provide more information.
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 to visit West Mon for West Mon Wednesday activities
June	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 2pm (limited to two parents per child)
Friday 20th June	Reception Sports Day - 1.45pm. Families welcome
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 and 6 Sports Day – 1:30pm. Families welcome

July 2025	
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Move Up Day
July	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 cultural festival – 2pm. Children event.
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports to go home
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 to visit West Mon for West Mon Wednesday activities
July	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production 'School of Pop' – 1:30pm (limited to two parents per child per
and	performance)
Friday I I <sup>th</sup> July	
Friday I I <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 camping event. Teachers will provide more information
Friday I I <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Safe Cycling Practical Test
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 trip. Teachers will provide more information
July	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 prom (see Beth Woodgate for information – this is not organised by school)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the school year
	Year 6 shirt signing

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