

Meet the Team



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Daisy



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Year 2 Teacher -
Daffodil



Mrs L Smith
Learning Support
Assistant



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Learning Support
Assistant



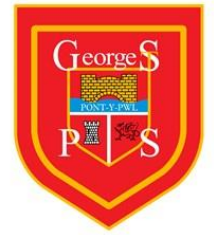
Mrs C Tudgay
Learning Support
Assistant



Mrs M Preston-Watkins
Higher Level
Teaching Assistant



Mrs A Jones
Higher Level
Teaching Assistant



Term Dates and Start/Finish Times

TERM DATES FOR 2025/2026

Term	Term Begins	Half Term Begins	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Monday 01.09.25	Monday 27.10.25	Friday 31.10.25	Friday 19.12.25
Spring	Monday 05.01.26	Monday 16.02.26	Friday 20.02.26	Friday 27.03.26
Summer	Monday 13.04.26	Monday 25.05.26	Friday 29.05.26	Monday 20.07.26

Inset Dates (Training Days)

Monday 1st September 2025

Friday 03rd October 2025

Friday 19th December 2025

Monday 13th April 2026

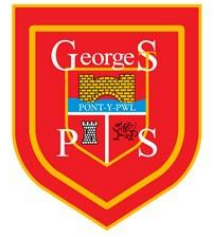
Monday 20th July 2026

Gates Open AM: 8:50 – 9.05am
Gates Open PM: 3.15pm

Torfaen County Borough Council – Education Welfare Service



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Important Days

PE & Forest School:

Both year groups have PE and Forest School on **Thursdays**. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit and bring a pair of wellington boots and coats.



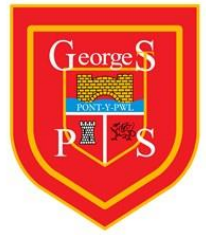
Uniform

The wearing of uniform:

- gives pupils a sense of identity.
- gives status to the school.
- encourages pupils to dress neatly and wear suitable clothing.

Please ensure your child wears:

- Long or short grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- White/Red shirt or polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt or cardigan
- Black shoes. No high heels or slip on shoes. Trainer style shoes are permitted as long as they are black and have no bright logos. Brightly coloured trainers are not permitted.
- **Labelled clothing is essential. Children frequently mislay items which can be returned if they are labelled.**
- Children are not allowed to come into school wearing jewellery except for a single pair of stud earrings. No bracelets, chains or rings are permitted. Children are allowed to wear watches.



Additional Benefits

All children in Years 1 and 2 are entitled to free school lunches. Although all pupils will receive a free meal, **additional benefits are available to some parents based on an eligibility test**. These benefits could include:

£125 Schools Essential Grant

Additional Funding to the school – which can impact on price of school trips

It is important that parents who are in receipt of child benefit and any of the following benefits should fill out the form to ensure you receive any additional support available, and crucially, to ensure the school continues to receive additional funding streams related to this.

- Income Support
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income less than £16,190 (you are not entitled if you also receive Working Tax Credit)
- Income-related Employment Support allowance
- The guarantee element of state pension credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit (where the monthly net earned income is not more than £616.67)



Bits and Bobs

Snack:

Snack is not provided to children in Years 1 and 2.

Please provide your child with a healthy snack and a drinks bottle each day, even if they are having a school lunch. This could include one piece of fruit, vegetables, or cheese and crackers. Please refrain from sending crisps, biscuits, chocolate, and other sugary snacks.

Toys:

Children do not need to bring pencil cases or toys to school – they will be provided with everything they need.

Online Links: For school information please use: <https://www.georgestreetprimary.co.uk/>

Communication:

Reminders and additional information will be sent via text messaging service. Please ensure that the office has up-to-date contact details.

Both year 2 classes will be sharing updates and snapshots of learning and experiences using the **Class Dojo** app. Please connect with us using your child's QR code. Please complete the electronic permission form sent out via text message to allow us to share photographs of what we're up to in school.

Please call the office by 9:00 am to report your child's absence



Bits and Bobs

Parent consultations:

Parent consultations will take place in the week beginning 14th October

After School Clubs:

After school clubs will be on offer, these will be listed on newsletters throughout the term.

Reading Books:

Children will bring home reading books on a Friday and will need to be returned by the following Wednesday to change.



Curriculum for Wales

From the Curriculum for Wales guidance (pg51-52) it says, amongst other things:

Pedagogy for the early progression steps should prioritise:

- learners initiating, choosing and directing their own learning, along with sensitive interactions from adults who elicit learning from learner-led play or recreation and exploration.
- learning through first-hand, practical and authentic experiences.

This means our daily learning includes all of:

- Daily Literacy Lessons
 - Writing journey (Oracy and Writing)
 - Read Write Inc Phonics (Reading)
- Daily Maths Lessons
- Cross-curricular project work.
- Provocation and challenges.
- Tasks, activities and lessons delivered through:
 - Woodwork
 - Cookery
 - Arts and crafts
 - Block play
 - ICT
 - Small construction and Lego.
 - Outdoor learning including mud kitchen & den building
 - All of which transfer key literacy, numeracy and digital competency skills.
 - Responding to, recording and reflecting on work using the class SeeSaw app.