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Annwyl Parents/Carers

This week has been a very unusual one, with the school being closed for two days due to the extreme heat, and even when open, both staff and children have been feeling the effects of the high temperatures. I would like to thank everyone for their understanding and co-operation during this time. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school today, even though numbers were a little lower than usual. Our staff have done a fantastic job in caring for the children, ensuring they have stayed out of direct sunshine and regularly reminding them to drink water and refill their bottles.

While it is always disappointing when events need to be cancelled or postponed due to the weather, the safety and wellbeing of our children must always come first. **Please take a moment to read the diary dates section carefully, as some new dates have been added.**

Last Thursday, I also had the pleasure of visiting all classes alongside our school improvement partner, with a focus on pupil independence and engagement. It was a very enjoyable day, and we were both extremely impressed. Children from Nursery through to Year 6 were on task, interested in their learning/play, and engaging well with the adults who support them. Below, I have included just a few photos of what we saw.



Every Child Matters, Every Day Counts



🎉 A DECADE OF MINI OLYMPICS SUCCESS!

We marked the 10th anniversary of our much-loved Mini Olympics in fantastic style, welcoming seven schools to compete across a range of events including sprint, relay, javelin, long jump, triple jump, obstacle course and shot put.

Every child was a true credit to their school, showing determination, teamwork and excellent sporting spirit throughout. We were incredibly proud of our own team, who achieved an outstanding medal haul this year!

A huge thank you goes to the staff and pupils from Padre Pio, Griffithstown, New Inn, Penygarn, Blaenavon and Cwmffrwdroer for making the day so special. We are also very grateful to Cerys and Ben from Torfaen Health, Sport and Fitness, and the fantastic Sports Leaders from West Mon, who supported the event and judged each competition so well.

Results:

George Street – Gold 12 | Silver 5 | Bronze 0

New Inn – Gold 1 | Silver 3 | Bronze 7

Padre Pio – Gold 2 | Silver 4 | Bronze 4

Blaenavon – Gold 1 | Silver 6 | Bronze 1

Cwmffrwdroer – Gold 4 | Silver 1 | Bronze 2

Penygarn – Gold 0 | Silver 0 | Bronze 5

Griffithstown – Gold 0 | Silver 1 | Bronze 1

What a wonderful celebration of sport, teamwork and achievement!



A MAGICAL EVENING AT THE FESTIVAL OF CHOIRS ✨



On Thursday, 18th June, our wonderful George Street Choir attended the Festival of Choirs at St Cadocs Church, and they absolutely shone! They performed six beautiful songs, filling the church with incredible harmony and joy.

There wasn't a dry eye in the house during a deeply emotional performance by our Year 6 pupils. They chose and prepared this piece themselves, marking their very last song with the choir before they move on to Year 7 and comprehensive school.

We are going to miss them immensely. Their dedication, leadership, and beautiful voices have been such a gift to our school. As they begin this exciting new journey, we hope their confidence continues to grow and flourish, and that they keep sharing their love of music.

We also want to give a special shout-out to our two fantastic soloists, who blew us all away with their courage and talent:

- Ieuan, who beautifully sang us into Daw hyfryd fis.
- Lowri, who moved us all with her stunning rendition of Ar hyd y nos.

A huge, heartfelt thank you to all the parents, family members, and adults who brought the children along to the concert. Your continued support means the world to us.

Thanks to your generosity, we raised a wonderful £65 for the choir! This money will go directly toward buying brand-new choir T-shirts for next year, ensuring our singers look just as amazing as they sound.

We could not be prouder of every single child who took part. Thank you for making it a night to remember! 🎵 ❤️



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June 2026	
Monday 29 th June	Years 5 and 6 Sports Day (9:30am) – families welcome
Tuesday 30 th June	Poppy Coastal School trip
Tuesday 30 th June	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day (9:30am) – families welcome

July 2026	
Wednesday 1 st July	Move Up Day School reports to go home
Friday 3 rd July	Sunflower Coastal School trip
Friday 3 rd July	Poppy, Tulip and Year 2 Sports Day (9:30am) – families welcome
Monday 6 th July	Sunflower Sports Day (9:30am) – families welcome
Monday 6 th July	Nursery PM Sports Day (2:00pm) – families welcome
Wednesday 8 th July	PTA school discos – more info to follow
Thursday 9 th July	Year 6 Concert (afternoon) – more info from class teachers
Friday 10 th July	Year 6 Concert (afternoon) – more info from class teachers
Friday 10 th July	Y Fenni Coastal School trip for those who didn't attend trip 1
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 6 trip to Barry Beach
Tuesday 14 th July	Daffodil Coastal School trip
Tuesday 14 th July	Nurture end of year celebration; parents invited. 1.00pm
Wednesday 15 th July	Daisy Coastal School trip
Thursday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 2:30pm – families welcome
Friday 17 th July	Year 5 Pupil Voice Leaders breakfast – children and families will be informed as to who this involves after speeches have been made
Monday 20 th July	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

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