

Nant-y-Parc Weekly Newsletter



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ITS ALL ABOUT CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY MARKET

We sincerely thank all the parents/guardians for attending and supporting our Christmas Community Market, making it a joyful and successful event for everyone!

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On **Friday, December 6th**, pupils are invited to school in a Christmas jumper for Christmas Jumper Day.

CHOIR EVENT – ASDA CAERPHILLY

On **Friday, December 6th**, our choir will perform Christmas songs in Asda to raise money for the Y5/6 trip to Paris. Choir representatives in Y3/4 will perform from 10:15 until 11:15, and choir representatives from Y5/6 will perform from 11:15 to 12:15. Please show your support if you can.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENT

On **Monday, December 9th**, we will hold a Pupil and Parent Craft event in the main hall. During this time, pupils can join their parents to create Christmas crafts! Sessions will be held at 9:15 a.m. and 2 p.m. - please choose **ONE session** to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

On **Tuesday, 10th December**, your child will have the opportunity to have their photograph taken with Santa. They can have an individual photo and/or a photo with siblings. The photos will cost £2 each. Please let their class teacher know before this day if you wish for them to have their photograph taken. We are asking for a £2 donation to raise funds for Christmas party gifts and food so that they can have an enjoyable end of term. Pupils can wear their Christmas jumpers on this day.



PICTURE NEWS

On page 2, you will find Picture News, which can be used as a powerful tool to introduce your child to current events in an age-appropriate and engaging way. By exploring real-life news stories through visuals, your child will be encouraged to think critically about the world around them. This resource can spark meaningful discussions at home, helping your child form opinions, ask questions, and engage in debates on important topics. This approach not only builds their awareness of global issues but also makes learning relevant and relatable, bringing real-world events into their everyday lives.

Class Attendance Winners – week beginning 18th November – Year 6 (97.1%)

Class Attendance Winners – week beginning 25th November – Year 1 (100%)

PLEASE REFER TO EACH OF THE ATTACHMENTS FOR FURTHER UPDATES

Value of the half term: **Honesty**

A peek at the next few weeks...



Diary Dates

Wk. 02.12.24	Concerts (see below for details)
06.12.24	Christmas Jumper Day
06.12.24	Choir performing in ASDA (10:15-12:15)
09.12.24	Christmas Craft (parent and pupil event)
10.12.24	Year 3/4 Pantomime Trip
11.12.24	Christmas Lunch
12.12.24	Year 2 Pantomime Trip
13.12.24	End-of-term progress reports sent home
16.12.24-20.12.24	WOW Days – It's all about Christmas
17.12.24	Christmas Parties (all year groups)

TERM DATES

20.12.24 -	End of autumn term (1:15 p.m. finish)
06.01.25 -	Spring term begins
21.02.25 -	End of spring 1 for half term
24.02.25 – 28.02.25	Half Term
03.03.25 -	Back to school for pupils
11.04.25 -	End of spring term (3:15 p.m. finish)
14.04.25 -25.04.25	Easter Holidays
28.04.25 -	Summer term begins – Back to school for pupils
02.05.25 -	INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
05.05.25 -	Early May Bank Holiday



Christmas Concerts

Below are the planned dates and times of the Christmas Concerts for each progression step.

Tickets will be on sale from Monday 18th November for £1 per ticket. There is a limit of two tickets per child per concert.

02.12.24

Nursery & Reception – 10.00 a.m.

03.12.24

Year 1 & Year 2 – 10.00 a.m.

Year 1 & Year 2 – 2.00 p.m.

04.12.24

Year 3 & Year 4 – 10.00 a.m.

Year 3 & Year 4 – 2.00 p.m.

05.12.24

Year 5 & Year 6 – 10.00 a.m.

Year 5 & Year 6 – 2.00 p.m.

LET'S GET TALKING

NOVEMBER EDITION



This week's story

The Prince of Wales has said he wants his environmental Earthshot prize to "change the world for good" over the next decade as he celebrated this year's winners.

Prince William closed the awards ceremony in Cape Town by calling for people around the world to join the "movement for change". Models Heidi Klum and Winnie Harlow, actor Nina Dobrev and artist Tobe Nwigwe announced the £1m (\$1.2m) prize winners from each category at the event.

The recipients included an initiative that saved a rare antelope species from extinction and a Kenyan company that uses solar powered fridges to stop harvested crops spoiling.

The fourth edition of the Prince's annual [Earthshot Prize](#), [external](#) awards was hosted by Emmy-winning actor Billy Porter and TV presenter Bonang Matheba.

It supports sustainable, eco-friendly projects from around the world, with each of the five winners receiving £1m to scale-up their innovative ideas to "repair" the planet.

There are [five 'Earthshots'](#), [external](#) - or goals: Protect and Restore Nature; Clean Our Air; Revive Our Oceans; Build a Waste-free World; and Fix Our Climate.

Fifteen finalists, [from countries including France, Kenya, Indonesia, the UK and Nepal](#), were competing for their category's prize pot after being whittled down from 2,500 applicants.



Discussion points for you and your child/children.

- What does it mean to "change the world for good"? How can small actions we take in our daily lives contribute to big changes in the environment?
- Discuss the innovative projects mentioned (e.g., saving the rare antelope or solar-powered fridges). How do these ideas show creativity in solving environmental problems?
- The winners come from all over the world. Why is it important for people from different countries to work together to protect the planet?
- How do you feel when you read stories that include characters or situations that are similar or different to your own life?
- Explore the five Earthshots (Protect and Restore Nature, Clean Our Air, Revive Our Oceans, Build a Waste-free World, Fix Our Climate). Which of these goals do you think is most important, and why?

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UN Rights of the Child



Our education should help us live peacefully and protect the environment.



Ffair y Gaeaf Bargod

yn cynnwys Gorymdaith Lusernau Gerddoriaeth a Goleuni

Bargoed Winter Fair

featuring the Music & Light Lantern Parade

Dydd Sadwrn 7 Rhagfyr 2024 • Saturday 7th December 2024

Canol Tref Bargod, 9am - 6pm
(Gorymdaith 5pm)

Bargoed Town Centre, 9am - 6pm
(Parade 5pm)

**GWEITHDAI
GWNEUD LLUSERNAU**

23 Tachwedd
30 Tachwedd
7 Rhagfyr

Eglwys Santes
Gwladys
10am - 4pm

**NEWYDD AR
GYFER 2024**
Cynnau goleuadau'r
goeden Nadolig
am 5.30pm

**NEW
FOR 2024**
Christmas
Tree Switch On
5.30pm

**LANTERN
MAKING
WORKSHOPS**

23rd November
30th November
7th December

St Gwladys Church
10am - 4pm

Ffeiriau eraill gaeaf 2024

Ffair y Gaeaf, Ystrad Mynach
Dydd Sadwrn 16 Tachwedd

Ffair y Gaeaf, Coed Duon
Dydd Sadwrn 23 Tachwedd

Ffair y Gaeaf, Caerffili
yn cynnwys Gorymdaith Lusernau Afon y Goleuni
ac Arddangosfa Tân Gwylt
Dydd Sadwrn 30 Tachwedd

Other winter fairs for 2024

Ystrad Mynach Winter Fair
Saturday 16th November

Blackwood Winter Fair
Saturday 23rd November

Caerphilly Winter Fair
featuring the River of Light Lantern Parade
& Fireworks Display
Saturday 30th November

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Sources of Support



NHS 111 *Wales*

This is the home of health advice for anyone living in Wales.

Call **111** / www.111.wales.nhs.uk



You can talk to childline about anything. No problem is too big or too small.

Call on **0800 1111** or chat online. www.childline.org.uk



Fearless is a dedicated young person's charity where you can get info and give info about crime 100% anonymously.

Call **0800 555 111** / www.fearless.org



ACT is an organisation providing information and advice for people with concerns about radicalisation.

Call **0800 011 3764** / www.actearly.uk



Umbrella Cymru is a gender and sexual diversity support service that works in Wales.

Call **0300 302 3670** / www.umbrellacymrucy.org.uk



Whatever you're going through, a Samaritan will face it with you, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Call any time, day or night **116 123** / www.samaritans.org



If you're thinking about stopping smoking, there's no better time to quit than now.

Call **0800 085 2219** / www.helpmequit.wales



Dan 24/7 is a free and confidential drugs helpline.

Call **0808 808 2234** or text **DAN to 81066** / www.dan247.org.uk



For help with your career, preparing to get a job, and finding and applying for the right apprenticeships, courses and training.

www.careerswales.gov.wales



An organisation dedicated to give advice on all things concerning alcohol.

Call **0300 123 1110** / www.drinkaware.co.uk



Barod specialises in substance misuse support for both adults and young people in S Wales.

Call **0333 3202751** / www.barod.cymru



Meic is the helpline service for children and young people up to the age of 25 in Wales.

Call **08088023456** or text **84001** / www.meiccymru.org

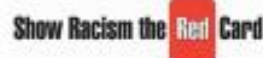


Mind is a mental health charity that is committed to improve the mental health of the nation.

Call **0300 123 3393** / www.mind.org.uk



For any online sexual abuse make a report to CEOP using: www.ceop.police.uk/Safe-Centre



An organisation dedicated to eradicate all forms of racism.

Call **02920 236 057**. www.theredcard.org



To report a hate crime use the online form on www.report-it.org.uk/your_police_force



Live Fear Free. For confidential advice or support around domestic violence, sexual violence or violence against women call **0808 8010800** / www.welshwomensaid.org.uk



The Children's Commissioner works for every child in Wales. Call **01792 765600** / www.childcomwales.org.uk



Use BBC Bitesize to help with your homework, revision and learning. www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize



Admission to Reception September 2025

Applications are now open for admission to Reception classes in
September 2025

You must apply by 13th December 2024

You can apply by visiting www.caerphilly.gov.uk and searching for
school admissions or by scanning the QR code below
For help and support call the Admissions team on 01443 864870





CYSTADLEUAETH CERDYN NADOLIG

★ CRIW CYMRAEG CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION ★

THE CRIW CYMRAEG WOULD LIKE YOU TO
DESIGN A WELSH CHRISTMAS CARD

ENTRY DATE - 06.12.2024

VOTE DATE - 09.12.2024

WINNERS ANNOUNCED - 11.12.2024



Christmas Dinner Day – Wednesday 11th December 2024

CHRISTMAS MENU

Caerphilly Catering Service

**Succulent Turkey Breast with Seasoning,
Chipolata Sausage & Gravy
or
Glamorgan Sausage (V)**

**Chef's Selection of Seasonal
Vegetables and Potatoes**

**Traditional Christmas Pudding
Served with White Sauce
or
Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream Tubs
(Fruit also available)**

Water / Milk

Primary £0.00 Adult £3.87

PLEASE NOTE: THE ABOVE MENU CONTAINS ALLERGENS

Nant-y-Parc Primary School



Come and visit us on:
January 15th at 1.15 p.m

NURSERY

2025



Our Contact :

Our Nursery class provides a warm and nurturing environment for children aged 3-4 to begin their educational journey. With a focus on play-based learning, we encourage curiosity, creativity, and social skills development. Children will explore early literacy, numeracy, and physical activities while forming friendships in a supportive setting.

Wrap-around available from 11.30 a.m.-3.00 p.m provided by Clwb-y-Draig.

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