

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

# Newsletter



'creating a **C**aring, **R**espectful,  
**O**pen Environment  
where **S**uccess and  
**O**ppportunity flourish'

# This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

Please find some information for week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

**Christmas Jumper Day** – Will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers to school on this day. Cash donations can be made on the day with all proceeds going to 'Save the Children' More information can be found further on in the newsletter.

**PTA Festive Fun Day** – Our PTA will be holding their festive fun day tomorrow (Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December). The event will take place during the school day. Children can bring in up to £5 (if payment has not already been made on ParentPay) There will be a selection of stalls and games for the children to play.

**Breakfast Club** – Bookings for breakfast club can now be made on Parent Pay for next half term (Up to February half term).

**After School Clubs** – A reminder, there will be no after school clubs running on the last week of term (Week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> December). New clubs for the Spring Term will be sent out in the first week of January, with clubs beginning in the second week (Week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025)

**Applications for Reception September 2025** . A reminder applications close Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Details of how to apply can be found [here](#).

**Flu Immunisation** - The School Nursing Immunisation Service recently visited the school to administer the nasal flu spray. If your child did not receive their vaccine in school, it is not too late, we are holding regular catch-up clinics. Parents/Guardians can turn up to any clinic with their child/children, no appointment is needed. For a full list of clinics please click [here](#).

Kind regards,  
Dean Taylor  
Headteacher

EVERYONE IS WELCOME IN OUR SCHOOL.  
No one is the same, but everyone is equal.







**On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**, our school will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. We know times are tough, so please remember that £1 is only a suggested donation - and if you can't donate, or you can spare less, that's fine too. Any amount - 10p, 20p, 50p - makes you an awesome fundraiser! This year, donating £2 could buy a packet of seeds for a family in Kenya to grow their own food, after drought has killed their crops. Raising just £6 could make all the difference for people in Gaza who are struggling to access drinkable water – providing a pack of 12 water bottles.

There's no need to buy a new jumper. You could upcycle an old jumper, get crafty or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit. If you want to get creative and decorate a jumper, the Christmas Jumper Day website contains lots of fun craft ideas. We'd appreciate your support to make Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day a success. Together, we can make the world better with a sweater. Thank you for your support.

Teachers will collect cash donations on the day.

# Christmas Concerts 2024



| Date                                | Time             | Event/Activity                      |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December     | 9.15am – 9.45am  | Nursery am & pm – Christmas Concert |
|                                     | 2.00pm – 3.30pm  | Year 5/6 Christmas Concert          |
| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December   | 9.30am – 11.00am | Year 5/6 Christmas Concert          |
|                                     | 2.00pm – 3.30pm  | Year 3/4 Christmas Concert          |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December | 9.30am – 11.00am | Year 3/4 Christmas Concert          |
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| Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December  | 9.30am – 11.00am | Year 1/2 Christmas Concert          |
|                                     | 2.00pm – 3.30pm  | Reception Christmas Concert         |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December    | 9.30am – 11.00am | Reception Christmas Concert         |





# PTA Information



December 2024

## PTA NEWSLETTER

### THIS WEEK



**Thank you to everyone who donated for the rainbow raffle. Hampers are being made, raffle tickets will be sent home this week Raffle will be drawn on 16 December 2024.**

### Thank you!

Together we have raised

**£583.88**

Pentrepoeth C.P. School

🕒 Completed!



## FESTIVE FUN DAY

TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER  
DURING SCHOOL DAY

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★ GIFT STALL - PICK 1 GIFT FOR A LOVED ONE AND GET IT WRAPPED £1-£2

XMAS CRAFTS - 50P

5 X XMAS THEME GAMES - 50P EACH

★ CHILDREN CAN BRING IN UP TO £5

PAYMENT VIA PARENTPAY BEFORE 2ND DEC OR CASH ON THE DAY

# PTA Information



## PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP

**NOW  
OPEN**



“  
YOUR UNIFORM DONATIONS ARE STILL  
NEEDED. DONATE VIA CLASS TEACHER OR  
VIA DONATION BOX OUTSIDE RECEPTION  
”



**Stock will be published weekly on  
Facebook.**

payment via parent-  
pay. £1 minimum per  
item.



[Pentrepoethpta@gmail.com](mailto:Pentrepoethpta@gmail.com)



[Pentrepoeth pta preloved uniform shop](#)

REQUESTS/QUERIES &  
PURCHASES CAN BE  
MADE VIA OUR  
FACEBOOK PAGE OR  
VIA PTA EMAIL





# Christmas Lunch

## MAINS

Roast Turkey (H)  
Squash, Spinach and Cream Cheese Filo  
Bake

## SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli,  
Pigs in Blankets  
Stuffing and Gravy

## DESSERT

Chocolate Pinwheel and Vanilla Ice-Cream

*\*Menus maybe subject to change*



# Christmas Dinner Day



# Wednesday 18th December



# Other Information



## TINY TALKERS GROUP

### FOR NEWPORT FAMILIES

This is a fun, free group for parents and children (7 -18 months), aimed at encouraging your child's early language development through play, singing and stories.

#### Sessions available:

Rivermead Centre  
Wednesday  
11:00 - 12:00

Spaces are limited, and must be booked in advance, so be quick to book.

[Sarah.davies5@newport.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.davies5@newport.gov.uk)

or

Phone: 07977667940



**NEWPORT**  
CITY COUNCIL  
CYNGOR DINAS  
**CASNEWYDD**

## GRŴP SIARADWYR BACH

### I DEULUOEDD CASNEWYDD

Grŵp am ddim llawn hwyl i rieni a phlant (7 -18 mis), â'r nod o annog datblygiad iaith cynnar eich plentyn drwy chwarae, canu ac adrodd straeon.

#### Sesiynau ar gael:

Canolfan Rivermead  
Dydd Mercher  
11:00 - 12:00

Mae lleoedd yn brin, a rhaid cadw lle o flaen llaw, felly peidiwch oedi cyn archebu.

[Sarah.davies5@newport.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.davies5@newport.gov.uk)

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Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

## Free Family Christmas Event

### Super Saturday

Come and join the fun!  
St Basil's Church Hall

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

10am - 12 noon



Refreshments

Activities

Face Painting



Lots of things going on. May be take a visit to the church and see if you can count all the trees. There may be a prize. Go on have a go



# Years 3 to 6

## Extra Curricular Clubs

After school clubs will run

From – Week Commencing – 16.09.24

To – Week Commencing – 09.12.24

**There will be no clubs running on the last week of term – Week Commencing – 16.12.24**

**Clubs for this term are arranged as follows**

| Day      | Club       | Year Groups | Time             | Teacher              |
|----------|------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Monday   | Chess Club | 3 & 4       | 3:30pm to 4:30pm | Mr Nocivelli         |
|          |            |             |                  |                      |
| Tuesday  | Rugby      | 5 & 6       | 3:30pm to 4:30pm | Mr Merriman          |
| Tuesday  | Football   | 3 & 4       | 3:30pm to 4:30pm | Mr Taylor            |
|          |            |             |                  |                      |
| Thursday | Football   | 5 & 6       | 3:30pm to 4:30pm | Mr Woodham & Mr Hall |
| Thursday | Netball    | 5 & 6       | 3:30pm to 4:30pm | Mrs Ahern            |

**Pupils in Year 3 will need to be collected from club**

**Years 4, 5 and 6 will need to complete the walking home questions when booking on Parentpay**

**Pupils attending football club will need to wear football boots and shin pads**

**Clubs will be available to book on Parentpay by the end of the week**

# Extra Curricular Clubs

## Reception, Years 1 and 2

## Second half term

After school clubs will be split into a half term for each class.

Dates – W/C 04/11/24, W/C 11/11/24, W/C 18/11/24, W/C 25/11/24 W/C 02/12/24 W/C 09/12/24

| Day      | Club              | Class  | Time             | Teacher                   |
|----------|-------------------|--------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Monday   | Fun & Fitness     | RFC/SH | 3:15pm to 4:00pm | Mr Brewer                 |
|          |                   |        |                  |                           |
| Tuesday  | Arts & Craft Club | 1CC/JR | 3:15pm to 4:00pm | Mrs Drummond/Mrs Clissold |
|          |                   |        |                  |                           |
| Thursday | Sketch Club       | 2JB    | 3:15pm to 4:00pm | Miss Blair                |
|          |                   |        |                  |                           |

Pupils can be collected from the main office doors for these clubs at 4.00pm

**Clubs are available to book on Parentpay**



# Dates For Your Diary

## Term Dates

School year 2024-2025

| Term          | Start                | Half Term starts     | Half Term ends       | Term ends            |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Autumn</b> | Mon 2 September 2024 | Mon 28 October 2024  | Fri 1 November 2024  | Fri 20 December 2024 |
| <b>Spring</b> | Mon 6 January 2025   | Mon 24 February 2025 | Fri 28 February 2025 | Fri 11 April 2025    |
| <b>Summer</b> | Mon 28 April 2025    | Mon 26 May 2025      | Fri 30 May 2025      | Mon 21 July 2025     |

*May Day - Monday 5 May 2025*

School year 2025-2026

| Term          | Start                | Half Term starts     | Half Term ends       | Term ends            |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Autumn</b> | Mon 1 September 2025 | Mon 27 October 2025  | Fri 31 October 2025  | Fri 19 December 2025 |
| <b>Spring</b> | Mon 5 January 2026   | Mon 16 February 2026 | Fri 20 February 2026 | Fri 27 March 2026    |
| <b>Summer</b> | Mon 13 April 2026    | Mon 25 May 2026      | Fri 29 May 2026      | Mon 20 July 2026     |

*May Day - Monday 4 May 2026*

### INSET Days – School is closed for children:

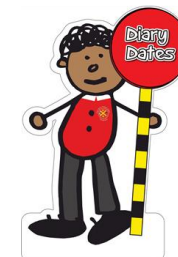
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025



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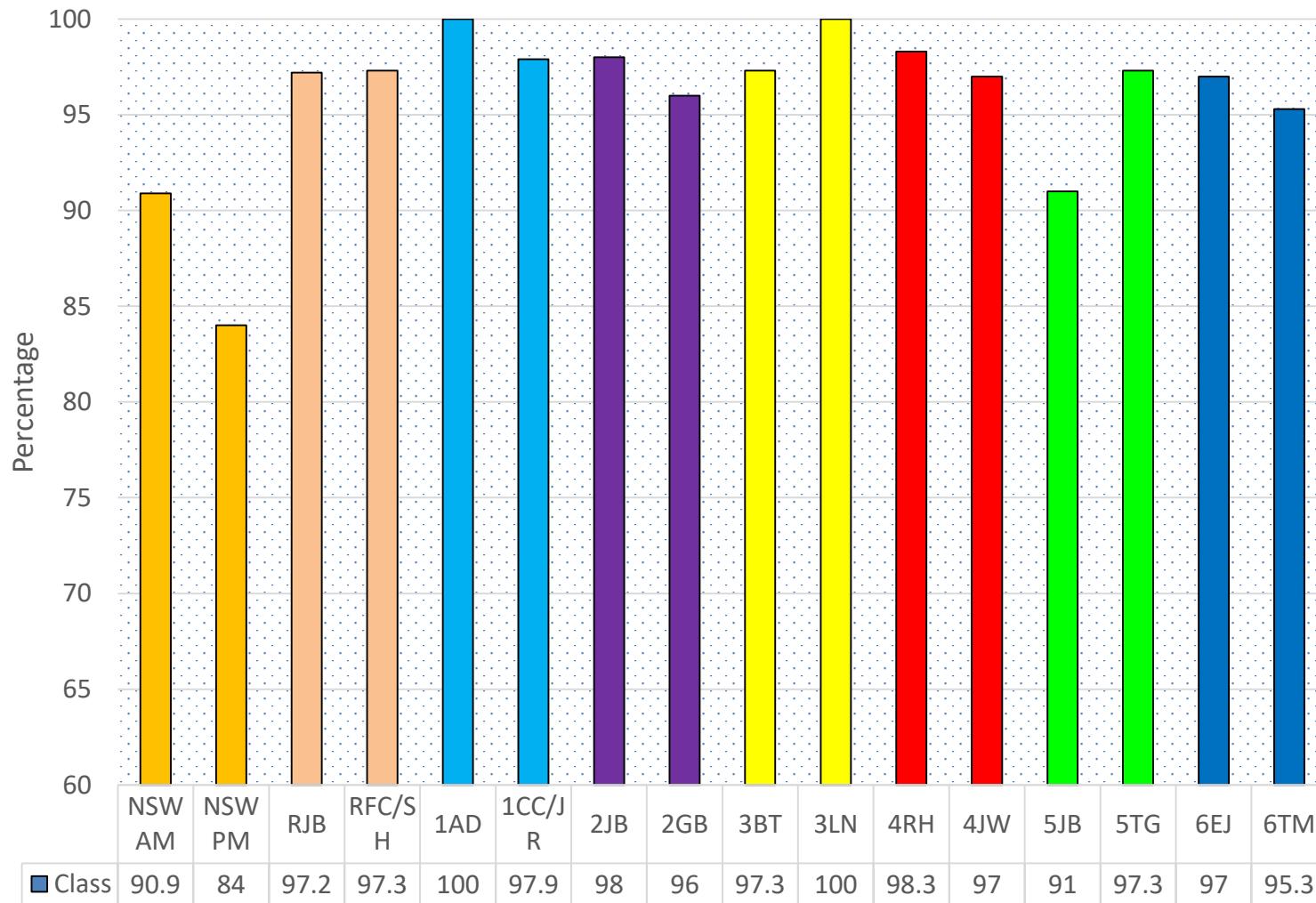
| December   |                   |   |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December                                   | 9.00am – 10.00am  | Reception – Numeracy Parent Session                                   |
|  | All Day           | PTA Christmas Event (More details to follow)                          |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December                                 | All Day           | Christingle making for – Nursery to Year 2                            |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December                                    | All Day           | Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children UK                           |
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| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December                                   | 10.00am – 11.00am | Nursery am Christmas Party  |
|  | 2.00pm – 3.00pm   | Reception to Year 2 Christmas Parties                                 |
|  | 2.00pm – 3.00pm   | Nursery pm Christmas Party  |
| Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December                                  | 9.15am – 9.45am   | iRock concert – Parents of pupils attending iRock sessions may attend |
|  | 10.00am – 11.00am | Breakfast and Story with Santa – Nursery to Year 2                    |
|  | 2.00pm – 3.20pm   | Year 3 to Year 6 Christmas Parties                                    |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December                                | 12.00pm – 1.30pm  | Christmas Dinner Day  |
| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December                                   | All Day           | INSET Day 2   |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January | 2 Weeks           | Christmas holidays  |





# Attendance

Last Week...



## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS

- 100%**
  - not missing any lessons during term time. Present for all lessons activities and social time.
- 95%**
  - missing in excess of two weeks of education. Absent from the classroom for up to three weeks and the loss of a significant amount of education.
- Under 92%**
  - missing more than 3 weeks of education. A serious loss of learning which is likely to have a detrimental effect on your child's achievement and life chances.



Well done to Mrs Drummond's and Mr Nocivelli's classes last week for getting 100%

### REMINDER FOR PARENTS:

**Don't let your child circulate flu, Covid and Strep A in school**

Children with a fever should stay at home until they feel better.

A fever is a high temperature.

Flu vaccination is still available for all children from aged 2 up to and including school year 11. This is the best protection against the virus.

