

Pentrepoeth Primary School

Thursday 19th December 2024

Newsletter



‘creating a **C**aring, **R**espectful,
Open Environment
where **S**uccess and
Oppportunity flourish’

This Week's Information

Dear Parent and Carer,

School closes today for the Christmas holiday period and opens for pupils on Tuesday January 7th . Monday January 6th is an INSET day. It was so lovely to see you at the many Christmas concerts. I was so proud of our pupils – an extra shout out to Year 1 and 2 who continued regardless of electricity – true professionals! We will be writing to you in the new year asking if you would like to donate any Christmas concert outfits that you may have so that we can re use and recycle for parents for Christmas 2025.

My thanks for your continued support throughout the year. From all at Pentrepoeth have a very happy holiday period. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



A Star In The East by Idris Davies

When Christmastide to Rhymney came
And I was six or seven
I thought the stars in the eastern sky
Were the brightest stars of heaven.

I chose the star that glittered most
To the east of Rhymney town
To be the star above the byre
Where Mary's babe lay down.

And nineteen hundred years would meet
Beneath a magic light,
And Rhymney share with Bethlehem
A star on Christmas night.

by Idris Davies

Kind regards,
Dean Taylor
Headteacher

PTA Information



December 2024

PTA NEWSLETTER

LATEST NEWS

A MASSIVE THANK YOU FROM THE PTA!

RAINBOW RAFFLE

£711.38

All winners have been contacted via contact details on stubs. Please collect your prizes by the end of term or contact the PTA if you have any issues doing so

This term we have raised:

- Disco - £855.17
- Y6 Pumpkin raffle - £83.51
- Asda cash pot - £583.88
- Festive Junday - £1020
- Rainbow raffle - £711.38
- Pre-loved uniform - £103
- Total - £3356.94

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A MASSIVE THANK YOU FROM THE PTA!

The PTA would like to say a big thank you to all the parents, teachers and other volunteers who have helped run events, donated prizes, bought raffle tickets and supported the school. We wouldn't be able to do it without you.

We would like to say a special thank you to Becky G who has single handedly run the pre-loved uniform shop. A big thank you to Stacey, Jodie and Sophie who made the Rainbow Raffle Hampers, they were amazing.

We also would like to say a massive thank you to Lydia (the caretaker), who has helped set up loads of events and to Aimee and Maria (in the office) who have helped out massively.

In terms of spending we are currently working with the school on how best we can spend the money. We are looking at enhancing the spill out areas outside Key Stage Two to help independent learning and assist with the transition between foundation phase and key stage two.

The school have also requested outdoor provisions for foundation phase such as easels and outdoor play equipment. We will keep you updated with any developments and let you know what we have spent the money on.

Next term the PTA are looking to arrange a catch up meeting in January to discuss next years events. If anyone would like to join the PTA please contact us via social media or email us at Pentrepoethpta@gmail.com

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.



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[Pentrepoeth pta preloved uniform shop](#)

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



Newport City Council

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Take part in and enjoy our family Christmas shows, film days, maths and crafts, play sessions and much more

FREE TO ATTEND

Activities suitable for children of all abilities will be available at the family sessions

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FREE TO ATTEND

Date	Activity	Ages	Time	Location
13/12/2024	Family Christmas Show - The Yuletide Dragon by Puppetsoup	All ages welcome	15:30 festive refreshments, show starts at 16:00	Ringland Community Centre, 282 Ringland Circle, Ringland NP1 9PS
17/12/2024	Family Christmas Show - The Christmas Elves by Circus Berzercus	All ages welcome	15:30 festive refreshments, show starts at 16:00	Maesglas Community Centre, Bideford Road, Maesglas, NP20 3XT
18/12/2024	Family Christmas Show - The Christmas Elves by Circus Berzercus	All ages welcome	15:30 festive refreshments, show starts at 16:00	Pill Millenium Centre, Courtybella Terrace, Pillgwenlly, NP20 2LA
19/12/2024	Family Christmas Show - The Yuletide Dragon by Puppetsoup	All ages welcome	15:30 festive refreshments, show starts at 16:00	Malpas Court Mansion House, Oliphant Circle, Malpas, NP20 6NZ
21/12/2024	Family film - Paddington 3	All ages welcome	11:30 start	The Riverfront Theatre
23/12/2024	Christmas maths in the Market	18m-4 years	10:00-11:30	Newport Market
02/01/2025	Story, rhyme & craft (with parents)	18m-4 years	10:00-11:00	Central Library
02/01/2025	Come build with me	18m-4 years	13:30-14:30	Pill Millenium Centre, Courtybella Terrace, Pillgwenlly, NP20 2LA
03/01/2025	Pop in & play (with parents)	12-36 months	11:45-12:45	Ringland Community Centre, 282 Ringland Circle, Ringland NP1 9PS
03/01/2025	Maths & crafts (with parents)	18m-4 years	10:00-11:00	Pill Millenium Centre, Courtybella Terrace, Pillgwenlly, NP20 2LA
04/01/2025	Family film - Moana 2	All ages welcome	11:30	The Riverfront Theatre

Dates For Your Diary

Term Dates

School year 2024-2025

Term	Start	Half Term starts	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn	Mon 2 September 2024	Mon 28 October 2024	Fri 1 November 2024	Fri 20 December 2024
Spring	Mon 6 January 2025	Mon 24 February 2025	Fri 28 February 2025	Fri 11 April 2025
Summer	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
Autumn	Mon 1 September 2025	Mon 27 October 2025	Fri 31 October 2025	Fri 19 December 2025
Spring	Mon 5 January 2026	Mon 16 February 2026	Fri 20 February 2026	Fri 27 March 2026
Summer	Mon 13 April 2026	Mon 25 May 2026	Fri 29 May 2026	Mon 20 July 2026

May Day - Monday 4 May 2026

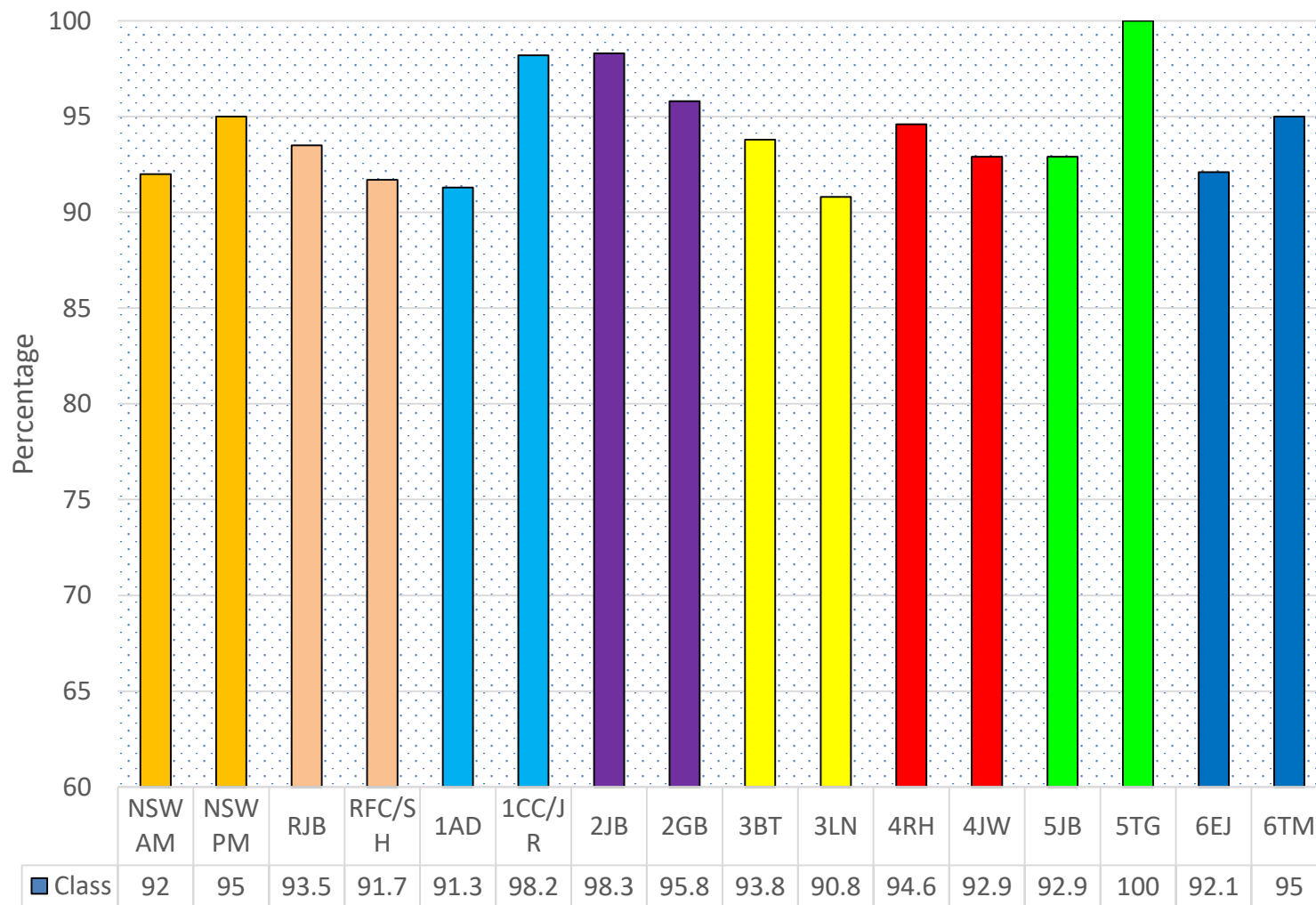
INSET Days – School is closed for children:

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



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.
- "Punctual and regular school attendance is an essential requirement for successful learning from the time a child starts school".



Well done to Mrs Gooding's class this week with 100% attendance.

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.