



# Newsletter

## Tuesday 29th April 2025



***Welcome back to the Summer Term!***

***I hope that you have all enjoyed a lovely break with family and friends over the Easter holiday.***

***We are now in the final term of this academic year. I don't know where the time has gone! Hopefully, we can enjoy some additional outdoor activities in the sunshine.***

***Mrs Jefford***



### **Dates for your Diary**

Wednesday 30th April - Year 1/2 and Year 3/4 - Parents to visit to look at Concept work - 2pm - 3pm

**Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed**

Thursday 8th May - Urdd Craft Day (old clothes to be worn)

Wednesday 14th May - Year 6 Football Tournament

Thursday 15th May - Year 3/4 (Mr Rees) Year 5 and Year 6 - Visit to the Wetlands Centre

Tuesday 20th May - Class Photos (Please speak to Mr Shepherd if your child does not attend the AM session and you would like them to be included in the photograph)

Friday 23rd May - Last day of half-term

**Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - Half-term Holiday**

**Monday 2nd June - Children Return to School**

Wednesday 4th June - Year 1 - Year 3 - Ukulele Workshop provided by NPT Music Service

Wednesday 11th June - Ground Force Day (old clothes to be worn)

Thursday 19th June - Cycle Craft - Year 5

Monday 30th June - Sports Day (Option 1 - weather permitting)

Tuesday 1st July - Sports Day (Option 2 - weather permitting)

Thursday 3rd July - Year 6 Crucial Crew at Margam Park

Wednesday 9th July - PTFA / School Council - Disney Day

Friday 11th July - End of Year Reports to be sent home

Monday 14th July - End of Year Follow-up appointments if required

Thursday 17th - Leavers Celebration (Year 6 parents to attend)

Friday 18th July - Leavers Assembly (school based for pupils only)

Friday 18th July - Last day of Summer Term for pupils

## School Uniform

At Coed Hirwaun we are very proud of our pupils and the majority of our children always wear their uniform. However, we have recently noticed that some children are wearing an increasing amount of jewellery to school.

Please keep this to a minimum at all times. Acrylic nails should not be worn to school. These items can be extremely dangerous when pupils are participating in play and practical activities.



**As the weather gets a little warmer, please follow our summer uniform guidance.**

**Below is a reminder of our summer uniform at school:**

In summer, smart navy shorts/skorts can be worn. Yellow and white gingham dresses can be worn with a navy or white cardigan.

**Please note:** Short length cycling shorts/gym shorts are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn to school. Regular length cycling shorts can be worn for PE sessions only.

Open toe sandals or Croc style shoes should not be worn for the safety of the children.

**Thank you in advance for supporting this.**

## Local Events - Additional Travel Time

At the end of May, we will see the In It Together Festival and the Urdd Eisteddfod both taking place very close to the school. It is wonderful to have these events within our local area. However, we need to be prepared for additional travel times at drop-off and collection when these events are being set-up and held.

During the week beginning Monday 19th May, we will see an increase in the volume of traffic in the area and possible road layout changes.

We predict that Thursday 22nd May and Friday 23rd May will be the busiest days. Please plan for additional travel times on these days.

If you are planning to make alternative arrangements for drop-off or collection times on any of these days, please contact the office to let us know.

### Ground Force Day

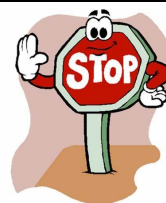
*This year we will hold Ground Force Day on **Wednesday 11th June**. Children should come into school dressed in clothes suitable for gardening and getting dirty!*

*On this day we will get our school grounds ready for summer! There will be lots of painting and planting to be done! If you are able to help out on this day, please let us know and we can arrange a timetable of adult help.*

*Donations of plants, compost, pots, paint etc would really be appreciated!*



### **Parking and School Safety**



***At the start of a new term, can I please remind you that children attending Breakfast Club, need to be accompanied to the main door and signed in by a member of Breakfast Club staff. If your child walks to or from school unaccompanied, please ensure you have completed a consent form for them to do so.***

***Please remember that safety is paramount when parking around school. We understand that this can be difficult at busy times but do not park on the yellow lines, even for a short time. We continue to work closely with the police and NPT Road Safety Team.***

***The main school gate is locked throughout the school day. Please do not use the car park for Breakfast Club drop-off or Afterschool Club collection. If access is needed, please call the school office to arrange.***

***We have seen an increasing number of parents stopping at the school fence during playtimes and lunch times, calling pupils over to talk and hand over belongings. Please do not do this as we are regularly telling our children that they should not do this. Staff have also been informed not to allow this to happen. If there is a message for the child, please contact the office.***

***Please continue to support us for the safety of our families.***

***Thank you for your continued support.***

***Mrs Jefford***

