



Blaendulais Primary School

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'Making a Difference' 'Gwneud y Gwahaniaeth'

June and July 2026 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to share some updates and reminders about what's happening in Blaendulais Primary School. We all hope that you have a lovely Summer break and would like to thank you for all of your help and support.



Sports Day

A huge thank you to everyone who came to support the school for our Sports Day. It was lovely to see so many of our families enjoying the sun and helping us to raise £130.00.

Additional experiences and adventures over June and July

- Y4/5/6 – Botanical Gardens
- Weekly Call of the Wild sessions - Rugby and Resilience - Y5/6
- Aberavon Beach visit and McDonalds – Reception – Year 4
- Fire Station visit and park picnic - LSC pupils
- Whole School community litter pick
- Visit to Cardiff - Year 6
- Gorge Walking - Year 5/6
- Leavers Disco in school
- Open afternoon in our new LSC building with pupils and their families.



Bronze Water Safety Award

We are all very proud of the pupils for working hard to secure the Bronze Water Safety Award – Pupils have taken part in an NPT initiative over the Summer term to raise their awareness around water safety. We are very pleased to say we passed and that pupils from Year 2 – 6 will have a certificate.

Dojo

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Reminder of class teachers for next year

Mrs Rudge and Mr Curtis - Nursery, Reception and Year 1 – Marchywel building

Mrs Jones – Year 2, 3 and 4 - Main School building (Hirfynydd)

Mr Fulford-Astley – Year 5 and 6 – Main School building (Hirfynydd)

LSC - Mrs Totterdale and Mr Clark - Bottom building (Cribarth)

We have had a busy few weeks moving our classrooms and developing our new library.

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

Safeguarding

In the interest of every child or family's safety over the Summer holidays, if you have any worries or concerns please contact the SPOC Team: 01639 686802.

Safeguarding drills

We would like to remind you that our fire and lockdown drills take place regularly and are carried out calmly and safely. These practise drills are an essential part of keeping all children safe and ensuring that staff are well prepared for any real emergency.

Attendance

We are currently working with our Cluster Schools and Llangatwg Comprehensive School to align our attendance processes to support all of our families in ensuring that all of our children come to school everyday. A general attendance letter will be sent to all schools in September setting out guidance, support and expectations. Attendance will again be a priority for the school next year to ensure that every child comes to school each day.

School Times:

- Doors open: 8:40am
- Doors close: 8:50am LSC 9.00am
- End of day: 3:15pm LSC : 3:00pm
 Nursery: 11:40am



If you are running later (after 8.50am) please come to the Main Office and sign in.

If your child is unwell and absent from school, please remember to phone the school so absences can be recorded accurately.

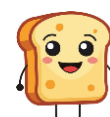
PTA

Our fantastic PTA will be meeting early in the Autumn term to plan many fun events across the year. If you would like to come along and offer any help and support, you are all very welcome. Meeting date to follow.

Breakfast Club

Our doors open at 8.10am and a member of staff will let you in and out of the main gate. Children must not arrive any later than 8.25am. Please ensure your children are always supervised for their own safety when waiting for the doors to open. Please take your children to the canteen door.

Many thanks. Catering Team



Goodbye to Year 6

As we reach the end of another school year, we would like to say a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 pupils.

The staff will all agree that it has been a pleasure to watch you grow, learn and achieve so much during your time with us. From your first days in the classroom to becoming confident, responsible role models for younger pupils, you have made us incredibly proud.

As you prepare to begin the exciting journey of Comprehensive School, remember to believe in yourselves, work hard and embrace every new opportunity that comes your way. There will be challenges ahead, but there will also be many new friendships, experiences and successes waiting for you.



Good luck, Year 6 – be proud of who you are, never stop believing in your potential and make a difference.



Goodbye to Mrs Cross

We would all like to say goodbye to Mrs Cross who retires at the end of the Summer holidays after over 40 years of service to Blaendulais Primary School. We would all like to thank Mrs Cross for her dedication and support for all of these years. Thank you from all of the staff, children and Governors of Blaendulais Primary.



Welcome to Mrs Grogan

As we say goodbye to Mrs Cross, we would like to Welcome Mrs Grogan, our new full time Administration Officer who will start with us in September.

Important dates for your diary

Monday 29 th June	INSET DAY
Friday 17 th July	Last day of school
Monday 20 th July	INSET DAY – whole school
Tuesday 1 st September	INSET DAY – whole school
Wednesday 2 nd September	INSET DAY – whole school
Friday 9 th October	INSET DAY – whole school

Have a lovely Summer break and thank you for your continued support this year. It is very much appreciated by us all.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

Kind regards,
Mrs. R. Dawson

Headteacher

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