Croeso nôl! Welcome back!
It is a great pleasure to welcome all our children and families back to Godre'rgraig Primary School this September following what has hopefully been a sunny, enjoyable and restful summer break. We are excited to begin another year of learning together and look forward to the opportunities, successes and memorable experiences that lie ahead.

There have been a number of changes since we said goodbye in July and we would like to share some important information with you.

New School Entrance
Over the summer holidays, building work has been completed to create a new pedestrian entrance at the rear of the school. This will now become our main entrance and is equipped with a video entry system.
We look forward to welcoming children through this gate from **Wednesday 2nd September**. The entrance will also be used during the day by all visitors to the school and for end-of-day collection.
For the safety of all pupils, staff and visitors, we kindly ask families to be considerate when parking and waiting around the school site. Please ensure that the double gates remain clear at all times to allow access for emergency vehicles.

New Telephone Number
As part of an upgrade to our communication systems, the school now has a new telephone number:
01792 005 610
Our school email address remains unchanged **Office@godrergraigprimary.npt.school**
Please use these methods of communication to report your child's absence in the first instance.

Breakfast Club
Breakfast Club continues to provide children (Reception- Year 6) with a healthy start to the day.
- Gate opens: 8:35am
- Gate closes: 8:55am

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club and require a registration form, please contact Ms Easton-Hayes in the school office.

The School Day
The school gate opens at 9:10am, and staff will be visible on the yard to greet children and support a positive start to the day.
Whilst mornings can be busy, arriving punctually helps children settle into their learning and ensures they begin the day feeling confident and prepared.

At 11:30am Nursery will be dismissed, please have patience whilst our youngest learners get into this routine.
At 3:30pm , classes will be dismissed individually to ensure children are returned safely to their families.
If someone different is collecting your child, please inform the school office in advance. Children will remain in school until we have received parental consent for alternative collection arrangements.
Where possible, we would also ask that dental and medical appointments are arranged outside of the school day to minimise disruption to your child's learning.

Reception Learners

Starting full time school is an exciting milestone and we want all children to feel happy and secure. Reception pupils will therefore have a staggered start for their first week, gradually building up to full-time attendance.

- Wednesday 2nd September: Collection at 12:30pm
- Thursday 3rd September: Collection at 1:30pm
- Friday 4th September: Collection or bus at 3:30pm

All children are entitled to a free school lunch, see NPT website for primary lunch menu for details. Alternatively, children can bring a healthy packed lunch to enjoy.

Keeping Contact Information Up to Date

To help us keep every child safe and ensure effective communication between home and school, it is essential that all contact and consent forms are completed and returned promptly. Please take time to check that telephone numbers, addresses, email addresses and emergency contact details are correct and notify the school immediately if any information changes during the year.

Accurate contact information enables us to reach parents and carers quickly in the event of illness, an emergency, a change to collection arrangements, or when important school information needs to be shared. Thank you for supporting us in maintaining a safe and caring environment for all members of our school community.

Medication and Health Care Plans

If your child requires medication during the school day, please inform the school as soon as possible. A medication consent form must be completed before staff can administer any medication.

For ongoing medical needs, such as asthma, diabetes or allergies, class teachers will work with families to ensure an appropriate Health Care Plan is in place.

Schoop

Schoop remains our main communication platform and is used to share important information, updates and reminders.

Please ensure notifications are enabled so that you do not miss key messages. If you need support accessing Schoop, a member of staff will be happy to help.

School Social Media

We are currently considering moving away from X (formerly Twitter) and using Instagram to celebrate learning, achievements and school events.

As with all digital communication, any online sharing will continue to follow our safeguarding and data protection procedures. We value your views and encourage you to complete the short survey on Schoop.

Family Engagement Officer

We are delighted that Miss John has extended her role within the school and is now our Family Engagement Officer.

Please look out for her on the school gate and through Schoop communications. Miss John will shortly be launching Brews and News, a weekly opportunity for parents and carers to come into school, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, and share ideas, questions and experiences in an informal setting.

She will also be coordinating a series of free parent workshops in partnership with CAMHS. These sessions promise to be informative and supportive, and we encourage families to attend wherever possible.

Diary Dates
1.9.26 - INSET Day (School closed to learners)
2.9.26 - Children return to school
2.9.26 - Reception collection at 12:30pm
3.9.26 - Reception collection at 1:30pm
4.9.26 - Reception collection at 3:30pm
7.9.26 - NPT Cerdd Peri Roadshow (Years 5 and 6)
14.9.26 - INSET Day (School closed to learners)
21.9.26 - Meet the Teacher. All families welcome from 3:30pm. An opportunity to visit your child's classroom and learn about the term ahead.
22.9.26 - Drama Workshops

- Dosbarth y Mynydd (Years 3, 4 and 5)
- Dosbarth y Glowyr (Years 5 and 6)

23.9.26 - CAMHS Parent Workshop 1
30.9.26 - CAMHS Parent Workshop 2
6.10.26 - School photos
15.10.26 - Shwmae Day
16.10.26 - Wear Red Day (Show Racism the Red Card)
Week beginning 19.10.26 - Annual Flu Vaccinations
21.10.26 - CAMHS Parent Workshop 3
26.10.26 - Half-Term Holiday Begins
2.11.26 - Children Return to School

As we begin this new school year, we look forward to working together to provide rich and rewarding learning experiences that support every child to become an ambitious learner, a healthy and confident individual, an ethical citizen and a creative contributor.
Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

Cofion cynnes / Warmest regards,

Mrs Holly Kent
Acting Headteacher

