



Tongwynlais School - Pear Tree Federation Newsletter - Friday 12th April 2019



Dear All

End of Term

Summer term will start on **Monday 29th April**. We hope you all have a very Happy and Peaceful Easter.

Easter Colouring Competition

Many thanks for all your entries to our Easter Colouring Competition; we've had some wonderful artwork! We have raised £88 for the Childrens Fund!

Thanks to Mrs Wadlow for obtaining sponsorship for the prizes ☺ Thanks to our sponsors - Cafe Arosfa and Cardiff Holiday Homes for their continued support. Our prize winners are:-

Overall Winner Foundation Phase is **Alais Thomas-Year 2**

Foundation Phase - Annie Wong - Nursery; Griff Vanstone-Reception; Giacomo Menegazzi - Year 1; Fflur Vanstone - Year 2.

Overall Winner KS2 is **Miles Fletcher - Year 4**

KS 2 - Morgan Gale - Year 3; Kobey Wadlow - Year 4; Ryan Dummett - Year 5; Amy Phillips Year 6 - Congratulations!!

Our Bring and Buy for UNICEF raised £73.09! Thank you everyone☺ This will be paid into UNICEF after Easter.

Active Learning Day - Monday 29th April

On the first day back we are having an 'active' afternoon exploring one of the purposes of the new Welsh Curriculum - 'Developing Healthy and Confident Individuals'

Pupils can come to school wearing games kit for the day.

SRE Meeting - Monday 13th May

Mrs Cleverdon will be holding an informal drop in session on **Monday 13th May** for any parent/carer who would like to discuss our SRE Policy (Personal Relationships in Education Policy, a copy of which is on our website). During Healthy Schools Week (Monday 3rd to Friday 7th June), this will be taught to the children from Year 3 to 6. Letter distributed today.

Welsh National Testing - Tuesday 7th to Friday 10th May

Year group	Reading	Numeracy Reasoning
Year 2	9 th May	7 th May
Year 3	9 th May	8 th May
Year 4	7 th May	10 th May
Year 5	7 th May	9 th May
Year 6	7 th May	9 th May

A separate letter has been sent home via email and hard copy.

Additional Learning Needs in Wales (SEN) Meeting

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 21st May at 2.45pm** with Mrs Cleverdon to discuss the new system of Additional Learning Needs in Wales and how this reform will impact on our school and children. All welcome.

Welsh Phrase of the Week

Mae'n well'da fi.

I prefer.

Saying of the Week

O bedwar ban byd.

From all corners of the world.



Welsh Speaker of the Week

Is **Mitchell Williams** in Year 5 - Da Iawn!

Attendance Class of the Week

Is Lancelot with 98.1% Da iawn - Well Done! Whole school 94.8%.

Pupil Achievements

Cardiff and Vale U11 Schoolgirls Football Team became the Welsh Schools Champions last weekend. One of our Year 6 pupils even scored a goal in the final! Well done Izzy ☺

French Club

The last French Club session was Wednesday. French Club will restart on **Wednesday 1st May** and will finish on **Wednesday 3rd July**. For further information about French Club please contact Mrs Thomas on

acthomas.lcf@gmail.com

Mad Science This club will run every Thursday from 2nd May - On line registration is required and is fee paying - All enquiries to the provider please.

<https://goo.gl/meFBBE>

Diary Dates

Parental Involvement Hour 2019 - 9.15-10.15am

Year 6 - Tuesday 11th June

Class Assemblies 2019 - 9.10am

Year 5 - Thursday 23rd May

Year 4 - Friday 21st June

Year 2 - Graduation Ceremony and assembly Thursday 11th July

Year 6 - Leavers Concert-Wednesday 17th July

School Term Dates

2018/2019

Summer term - Monday 29th April to (Friday 19th July) -Monday 22nd July

May Day - Monday 6th May 2019

Half term - Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2019.

The two remaining **INSET** days are **Friday May 24th** and Monday July 22nd.

2019/2020

Autumn Term - Monday 2nd September to Friday 20th December 2019

Half term - Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

Spring Term - Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020

Half term - Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2020

Summer Term - Monday 20th April to Monday 20th July 2020

Half term - Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2020

May Day - Monday 4th May 2020

INSET Day Monday 2nd September 2020 plus four others to be confirmed.

Community News

Gwaelod Rangers FC are a local football club that was formed in 2008 by a group of enthusiastic parents with the aim of providing opportunities for all children in Gwaelod y Garth, Tongwynlais, Taffs Well and surrounding areas to play organised football. 10 years on and the club has gone from strength to strength, and we now have more than 150 children registered with the club over eight different age groups. We are affiliated to the South Wales Football Association, the Football Association of Wales Trust and the Cardiff and District Football League. Children play non-competitive mini-football whilst in primary school (U6s through U11s), before progressing to competitive football in the Cardiff & District League when in secondary school (U12s through U16s). We train every Thursday evening on the playing fields in Gwaelod-Y-Garth during the spring and summer, and then move to suitable all weather pitches during the autumn and winter. The Club is managed and administered by voluntary effort alone; in all cases coaches and officers of the club

are DBS checked and attend the relevant First Aid and Football Coaching courses as required by the FAW

The club is always open for new players of any age, but at this time, we are particularly interested in existing Year 6 children to supplement our current U11 team. As such, if your son or daughter has an interest in football and you would be interested in joining the club, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please direct any enquiries to the Club Chairman, Simon Hammett, via email at

grfchair@gmail.com



Dinner Money

Please can you put all monies in an envelope with your child's/children's name on and class; how much you are enclosing and for what time period you are paying for e.g. what days or weeks you are paying. This would help enormously.

Please can you also pay regularly each week on a Monday for the week ahead. Dinner money is not paid in arrears. **If a child is ill or does not take his or her meal there will be a credit for the following week. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.** Dinner money can also be paid termly or half termly (credits carried forward to the next term or half term).

School Office hours are 8.30am to 4.00pm - **Please follow us on Twitter @tongoffice** - School website www.tongwynlaispru.school or email tongwynlaispru@cardiff.gov.uk Telephone 02920 810383 or fax 02920 813220 Letters or dinner money envelopes can be put in the letterbox outside the school office outside of the above hours.

It is a year since we federated with Coryton Primary as the Pear Tree Federation and marked the occasion with the School Councils jointly planting pear trees (donated by the Community Council in both schools). Both pear trees; schools and children are also now in full blossom and growing well too.

