



Tongwynlais School Newsletter 30th November 2018

Pear Tree Federation

Dear Parent/Carer

Gawain Year 5 Parent Open Evening

Will be held on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th December.

Communication

We would like all our parents/carers to be able to receive and read school information that is sent home by email and text, via ParentMail.

Mrs Baker has generated a report from ParentMail this week and we are surprised and disappointed to find that many parents/carers have not received or read items that have been sent.

Please let the office know if you are not receiving our emails/texts or have changed your mobile number or email address or would like to add another email address.

Please also check your junk mail to make sure our emails are not being sent there.



Please find attached to the newsletter the new Pear Tree Federation 'Vision and Values' statement that has been written by the children, for the children, of both Coryton and Tongwynlais. Our children want to be 'Learning Happy' and we all think this is a great aspiration for the Federation and all its children. ☺

Attendance

We are striving to meet our target of 95.5% At the moment we are operating on 94.5% Please can you help your child achieve this by when-ever possible, booking doctors/dental appointments and holidays out of school time - Thank you for your continued support.

Brass Tuition - Mr Maynard will not be in next Friday 7th December. Brass pupils will receive a double lesson the week after 14th December.

Christmas Raffle

Please, please can you donate items for our Annual Christmas Raffle Draw - suggested items include Christmas puddings, bottles, biscuits, and tins etc. - all items you would normally find in a luxury hamper ☺ Please send in your raffle ticket stubs with monies as soon as possible and by **Thursday 13th December**; to enable them to be folded. Our thanks to Mrs Traylor who always volunteers to fold them every year! If you require more tickets to sell to neighbours, family or work colleagues, please call to the school office, we have lots of spares! The draw will take place on Friday 14th December in school - a list of winners will be sent and emailed home ☺

Extra-curricular Football Club - **has now finished**

If you are able to coach our football club and are free from 3.30 to 4.30pm every Tuesday please see Mrs Cleverdon - Thank you.

Christmas Diary Dates

Christmas Choir Events - St. Michael's Church on Thursday 6th December - 6.45pm
Village Hall on Sunday 16th December - 7.00pm

Our Christmas Concert dates are:

- **Nursery & Reception 9.30am 12th & 13th December**
- **Year 1 & 2 at 1.30pm 12th December and 10.30am 13th December**
- **Year 3 & 4 at 2.00pm 10th December and 9.30am 11th December**
- **Year 5 & 6 at 9.30am 10th December and 2.00pm 11th December**



Letters for requesting tickets for our concerts were distributed last week. Please return your ticket requests **as soon as possible**-Thank you. **We have very few tickets left, please don't leave it too late to order.** Ticket ordering has been open since 23rd November. Please note - You can have a maximum of **three** tickets in total initially (no more than **two** per performance), but if you have requested extra

tickets we will endeavor to distribute our spares after the order date has passed. Order by dates are on the letter.

Friday the 14th December will be **Christmas Jumper Day** suggested donation is £1, to support 'Save the Children'.

Friends of Tongwynlais have arranged for Father Christmas to visit school during the morning of Friday 14th December from Nursery to Year 4 - A class photograph will be taken with Father Christmas and will be available to **order from Friends of Tongwynlais**.

Food Allergies-CCC School Meals

If your child is having a school meal at lunchtime and has a food allergy, please could you ask your hospital dietitian to send information to Tongwynlais Primary School.

This information will be forwarded to Cardiff Catering Department. A menu will then be adjusted to your child's requirements and given to our school cook.

Diary Dates

Parental Involvement Sessions 2018/2019 9.15-10.15am

Year 1-Tuesday 15th January

Year 2-Tuesday 22nd January

Year 4-Tuesday 12th February

Year 6- Tuesday 11th June

Class Assemblies 2018/2019

Reception- Friday 29th March-Mothers' day

Year 1- Friday 1st February

Year 2-Graduation Ceremony and assembly 11th July

Year 3-15th February

Year 4- 21st June

Year 5-31st May

Year 6-Leavers Concert-17th July 2019

End of the Autumn term is **Friday 21st December**.

Return to school for Spring term on **Monday 7th January 2019**.

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

If you would like a list of term dates for the future, please call to the school office.