

Blaendulais News

"Making a Difference"

Attendance

Following another disrupted year, we have now begun to settle into the swing of things, and the pupils are enjoying many wonderful experiences in school again - from going on mountain walks learning about our amazing local area, to catching the 'Evil Peas' and enjoying rugby sessions with the Ospreys - the children are all trying their very best and getting the most from school. However, 'you only get out what you put in', and it is a shame that our attendance is **below 90%** at the moment...

School Attendance is compulsory. Shielding for Covid has ended, and normal procedures apply. If your child is unwell, please notify the school office on the first day of absence - if no reason is given, then an **unauthorised absence** will be recorded.

Similarly, please make every effort to arrive on time for school. School starts at 8.50am (Mrs Wheadon's class arrive at 8.40am) for all. A late absence is recorded if pupils do not arrive on time.

Uniform

Our pupils always look so smart in their school uniform. Please help us feel proud of our school by wearing correct uniform every day. Make up is not permitted and anyone wearing it will be asked to remove it. Similarly, it is advisable for girls to wear their hair up, as this helps avoid any headlice issues in school.



ATTENDANCE

Let's work together to reach our attendance target of 95%! In school = Achieving!

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PARTNERSHIPS

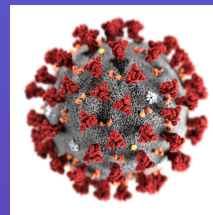
Positive relationships are key to successful futures for our children.

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TEAMWORK

Let's build a team ethos by wearing uniform to school - it makes a real difference!

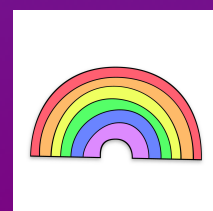
Sleepovers



Many of our pupils are telling us about the latest sleepover or gathering they are attending...! Whilst we all want to return to 'normal' as soon as possible, please play your part in protecting our community in following the latest guidelines from Welsh Government.

Face Coverings

Thank you for wearing face coverings when attending school. Let's continue to do what we can to get through this together!



Dates for the diary...

Friday, 30th April	-	Colorfoto in school (Group Photographs)
Monday, 3rd May	-	Early May Bank Holiday (School closed)
31st May - 4th June	-	Half Term
Monday, 7th June	-	Inset Day (4 of 6)
Wednesday, 14th July	-	Last Day of Summer Term
Thursday, 15th July	-	Inset Day (5 of 6)
Friday, 16th July	-	Inset Day (6 of 6)
TBC	-	Sports Day (unfortunately, no parents/carers are permitted on school grounds at this time)
TBC	-	Year 6 Leaver - Details to follow

IN OUR THOUGHTS...

During this period, many within our community have suffered illness, heartache and loss. It has been difficult for the staff - we have been unable to support and help the children like we normally would - an arm around the shoulder, time in 'Rainbow Rangers', a chat in the office, or a simple cwtch. However it is nothing compared to the challenges some have gone through. Please know we are always there for you, and your children - if we can help in anyway, just ask.

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