



NEWSLETTER

16th May 2019

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 21st May	Key Stage 2 Jambori
Thursday 23rd May	School closed to pupils - Polling Station
Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May Half Term Holiday	
	Monday 3rd June - Children return to school
Tuesday 4th June	Dwr Cymru Assembly and Workshops for Reception - Year 6
Wednesday 12th June	Transition Dance Session - Year 6
Thursday 13th June	PTA Meeting at the Towers Hotel - 7:30pm
Monday 19th June	School Nurse to visit Year 5 and Year 6 pupils
Friday 21st June	Sports Day (Reception - Year 6 AM)
	Sports Day (All Nursey Pupils to attend PM session)
Tuesday 25th June	Mini Police Visit to Bridgend Police Headquarters
Tuesday 25th June	Year 6 Information Evening at Dwr Y Felin
Tuesday 2nd July	Key Stage 2 Tata Mini Triathlon (Information to follow)
Wednesday 3rd July	Whole School Transition Day - Year 6 to Dwr Y Felin
Thursday 4th July	Crucial Crew - Year 5 and 6 (Information to follow)
Friday 5th July	Welsh Music Show - Key Stage 2
Friday 5th July	Friends of Crymlyn Summer Fete
Friday 5th July	Rags 2 Riches Collection
Thursday 11th July	Mary's Garden Puppet Show - Foundation Phase
Thursday 11h July	End of Year Reports
Monday 15th July	End of Year Report Follow-up Parent Consultation
Wednesday 17th July	Year 6 - Leavers Assembly
Friday 19th July	Last day for pupils
Monday 22nd July	INSET
Monday 2nd September	INSET



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Attendance Update and Focus

Attendance always has a strong focus at Crymlyn and throughout all schools in Neath Port Talbot. We are extremely proud of the way we work together to ensure we maximise attendance at school. However, we have seen a dip in attendance and have areas to work on to improve.

These areas include:

Term Time Holidays

We have recently received an increase in Request for Time Off forms for family holidays. Whilst I totally understand that family holidays are very important and some families are restricted to when they can take holidays together, we now have a small number of families that are submitting 2/3 holiday requests within one academic year. These families may be contacted by the Education welfare Officer to discuss this further. Our school policy does not allow us to authorise term time family holidays. The impact is significant for pupils, especially if attendance has already been impacted by illness. **Throughout this academic year 183 sessions have been lost to term time unauthorised holidays.**

Monitoring of nursery attendance

Nursery education is not statutory but it is a vital part of developing friendships, social skills and routines. We understand that some of our pupils do not attend every day due to child care and pupils attending other child care settings and totally understand this. However, we have identified a very small number of pupils not attending regularly. The EWO will now monitor our morning nursery pupils in preparation for Reception in September.



Sports Day

This year we will hold 2 Sports Day events. Reception -Year 6 pupils will take place at 9:30am on Friday 21st June.

All Nursery pupils will attend the PM session on Friday 21st June and their Sports Day will start at 2:00pm. The Nursery can attend from 12:50pm.

Both events will take place on the school field. The Friends of Crymlyn group are kindly donating fruit as a snack for all pupils. All pupils will be allocated a colour to wear. These details will be provided by the class teacher.

Everyone is welcome to join us to cheer the pupils on!



Planning Ahead for Nursery Provision

Pupil numbers are growing at Crymlyn. If you have pre-school children/babies (0-3) that will be attending Crymlyn Primary can you please contact the office to provide some details including name, date of birth etc. if you haven't already done so. This allows us to plan ahead for the future and provide the best possible provision for the children.



NPT Children and Families Team

The Children and Families team attended school this week for their second drop-in session. The team will be returning to school on Monday 20th May to begin the weekly sessions . If you would like to attend but are unable to make the first session, please come along to the next planned session being held on Monday 3rd June. The session will be held in the school hall located in the Foundation Phase building. Please use the back door to access the sessions.

Sessions will focus on....

Routines, Positive Strategies to tackle behaviour, Understanding how your children/teenagers are feeling, Healthy Eating Taking Control and Time for yourself.

If you have any queries please ask Mrs Jefford or contact the office.



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Positive Praise

We have recently received a number of visits to the school for a variety of reasons and wanted to share with you that we have received lots of positive comments on how smart our pupils look in their school uniform. Thank you for ensuring the children are correctly dressed and ready to learn.

A number of people have also complimented us on how happy and confident our pupils are. I would like to thank all staff and the wider school community for working together to ensure our pupils are accessing valuable learning experiences in a vibrant and stimulating school environment.

We are very fortunate to have such a hardworking, committed and caring team at Crymlyn!



Right of the Month

May—The Right to a good standard of living
June - The right to life and to be healthy

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Jefford



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