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School Minibuses- Please inform the school if your child is not using the mini-bus service on a particular day. Thanks.

PTFA: Please support future PTFA meetings and events if you are able to. There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 5th February at 7.30** in the **Oak**. See Hester Williams or Becky Barden for further information.

Please follow the PTFA's Facebook page which details upcoming events. There is a link from the school's website page. You don't need to be on Facebook yourself to be able to view it.

The school also has a Facebook page for parents to follow.



School Attendance

These are our class attendance totals for Sept 2019 to end of Jan 2020:

▪ Class 5/6J	97.22%
▪ Class 2C	97.16%
▪ Class 1C	96.70%
▪ Class 4/5SL	96.25%
▪ Class 3P	93.81%
▪ Class RM	93.30%

The school's attendance target is 95.90%.

The school's average attendance was 96.20%

Thanks...



- to the **PTFA** for continuing to support the children and school. Hot Chocolate Fridays will continue this term.

- **Royal Oak Meat Raffle:** A big thankyou to the Royal Oak staff and customers for raising money for the PTFA. A massive £649.85 was raised.

National Schools' Categorisation:

The school has been categorised as **Green A** (top category) again this year. This indicates that the school continues to be highly effective, well run and has a track record of raising standards. We may support other schools to improve. Further information can be found on the Wales Online and BBC websites. A link will be sent to you via text.

Friday June 26th is an INSET day. All staff will be involved in training for the new curriculum. Welsh Government decided all schools in Wales will have an additional INSET. Powys CC has directed all Local Authority schools to have this on the above date.

Diary Dates

February

Friday 14th: Break up for half term holiday
Monday 24th: return to school

March

Monday 2nd: St. David's Day Concert (2.15 pm)
Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th: Parents' Evenings
Thursday 26th: Techniquet Starlab visiting school
Tuesday 31st: Open Door Tour (details to follow)

April

Friday 3rd: End of Term
Children return to school on Tuesday 21st April

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ParentPay: Please ensure cashless accounts are in credit. A small number of parents owe large amounts of money.

Car Park: Please do not drop off children near the crossing in the car park. This blocks the flow of traffic and it potentially dangerous for the children. **A few parents are continuing to do this- it poses a health & safety risk to the other children.**

Attendance:

Attendance dropped last term, mainly due to illness but also due to the number of days of holiday taken. Booking holidays and long weekends in term time is disruptive to your child's education and to the education of other children in the class. Please ensure children are in school if they are well. **Holidays in term-time are discouraged** and can only be authorised if a written request (forms from office) is submitted 28 days before. Your child's attendance must also remain over **96%**.

Please remember, the school is judged on its attendance data.