

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Inset Days

Our next planned INSET day will be on Monday 27th June (next week). When we returned to school in January, the Welsh Government insisted on us taking planning days to plan for any changes in Covid guidance. As a result, the inset day that was planned for January 4th had to be postponed and will now be put on Friday 22nd July. This means that the pupils last day of school will be Thursday 21st July.

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Sports Day

We are very excited that we can invite parents this year to join us for our sports day this year. It has been far too long since we were able to have a 'normal' event. The dates below are for different phases throughout the school. Mr Baker-Rees has sent out information to parents which includes a do's and don't sheet. We would really appreciate you going through this information with any extended family that may be attending. It is vital for the safety of all children that we stick to these rules, particularly taking pictures of children. We will also have refreshments on sale for you all on the day which includes teas/coffee's/soft drinks. We are also providing fruit and drinks for the children but will be selling lollypops for the children at 50p via Parentpay.

8.7.2022- Nursery Sports Day- 9.30 am start for morning Nursery and 1.30pm start for afternoon Nursery

24.6.2022- Foundation Phase Sports Day (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)- Starts at 9.30 am

29.6.2022- Key Stage 2 Sports Day (Years 3-6)- Starts at 9.30 am

Year 3 and 4 Learning Trip to Margam Park

Year 3 and 4 will be finishing their learning this term with a trip to Margam Park to help them create their end challenge. This will take place on 14th July. Information will be sent on announcements by class teachers along with payment on Parentpay.

Foundation Phase End of Year Trip

The children from Nursery to Year 2 will be visiting the beach to celebrate the end of the school year. Nursery and Reception will be attending on 7th July and Year 1 and 2 will be attending on 6th July. All information will be sent out to parents and payment in now active on ParentPay.

Key Stage 2 End of Year Celebration

Due to popular demand from the children we have made the decision to have an end of year 'YCB Festival' on Thursday 21st July rather than an end of school trip. We intend to make the day lots of fun with so much going on for the children! We have asked the kitchen to provide party type food for the children to eat in the festival outdoors on this day as a replacement for the school menu.

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FORGING FUTURES TOGETHER More details will follow in a letter and it will also be placed on ParentPay. Children may come

dressed in festival type clothing!

Foundation Phase pupils will also have the opportunity to have party food on the last day of term (21st July) in replacement of school lunches. More details to follow.

Year 6 'Moving On'- Transition Arrangements

We have been busy creating year books for the pupils and have a lovely gift for them ready for the festival! In order to make our pupils feel special we are extending their day if they wish to stay on the day of the festival to 4.30 pm. Parents may come and join the children for the last hour of the festival (after 3.20 pm) if they wish and refreshments will be available. It will be a wonderful opportunity to come together before they take the next step in their education journey through the double doors!

The children will also be attending a Science transition day in the secondary phase on 30th June. This will not affect lunches.

Year 6 pupils will be attending the 'Crucial Crew' event at Margam Park on July 6th. This is only open to Year 6 pupils and a great opportunity for the children to mix with their peers from other schools. It teaches the children how to look after themselves as they develop into their teenage years. A letter has been sent to parents and the cost is on ParentPay for the bus travel only.

The children will be attending secondary phase on 15th July where they will have a 'mock day' in year 7. The children will be working with their forms in order to reduce worries for September.

Transition into full time school for Nursery pupils

In September, the current afternoon Nursery children will be attending morning sessions (9.00 am-11.20 am). Their structure of the day will remain the same it is just the time that is different.

Morning Nursery moving into Reception (full-time) in September will be asked to stay to get used to having lunches in school on 11th, 13th and 15th July. On the 11th and 13th, children are asked to be collected at 12.30 pm. On the 15th July we are able to offer the children a mock day in Reception and children will try staying for the full day. Collection will be at 3.20 pm. If you have any issues or queries please contact Mrs Key.

Transition Arrangements for all other classes

We understand the difficulties children face moving to a new classroom and working with a new teacher and non-teaching staff. For this reason, we like to prepare the children prior to a very long summer holiday. All children will move to their new class with their new teacher on Friday 15th July. We will be sending reports out on that day also along with the school structure for your information so you will know who their teacher for September will be. They will also be spending the day with their new teachers on 20th July.

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We are always available to work with families if costs become a struggle at all and have a number of methods to reduce financial anxiety for you. We are also very aware of the cost of living crisis at the moment and know that many of our working families also find themselves in difficult financial struggles. There are a number of support mechanisms to help out there, please get in touch if you would like to discuss anything or receive support. We are fully confidential and understand many of the difficulties faced and can solve problems easily (keyk2@hwbcymru.net).

Yours sincerely

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