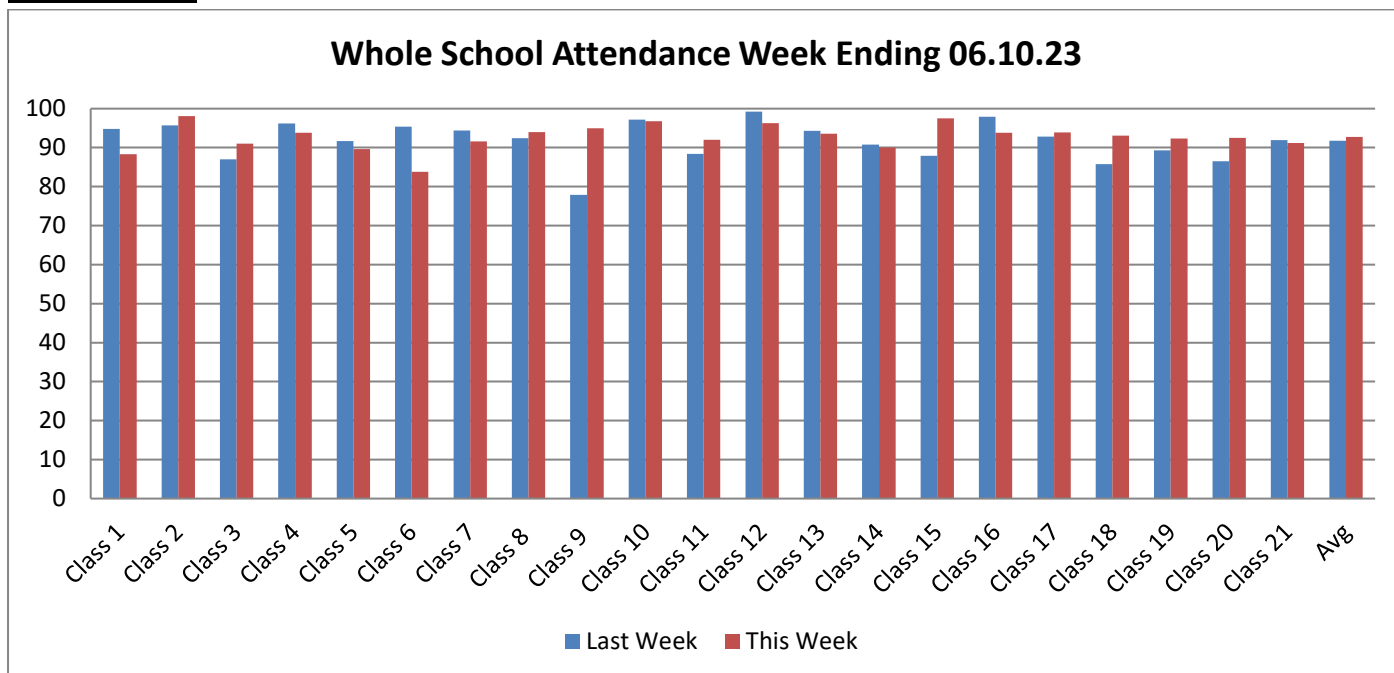




Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 12th October 2023

Attendance



Our target for the academic year is **95.7%**. Look at the graph above to see how your child’s class is performing. The average attendance across the school last week was 92.78%, this is significantly below our whole school target but another slight increase on the previous week.

Achievement and Progress in Rhiw Syr Dafydd’s Curriculum

The link below explains how we track achievement and progress at Rhiw Syr Dafydd Primary School in line with our curriculum. The video will give you important information and will help you to understand how your child is performing when you attend parent teacher consultations.

https://youtu.be/2j_Q--vkpmw?si=sz_PspwCRXrY2T-f

School Gates

Please remember that the school gates are locked at 8:45am each morning. As I explained last week, this is for safeguarding purposes. Any children arriving at school after 8:45am must be brought into the main reception area and signed in.

End of School Day

Children should not access any of the play equipment in the school playground at the end of the school day. Whilst I appreciate it is tempting for them to use the equipment, there are no staff to supervise the children and as such this is a health & safety issue as staff are not on duty to supervise the children.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who has sent items into school for our Harvest Festival. If you haven’t already done so, and would like to donate items, please send them into school with your child or bring them to reception. Thank you for your support.

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PTA Disco

Our Friends of Rhiw Syr Dafydd disco will take place on Thursday 19th October.

Year 1 and 2 disco will run from 4:00 – 4:45pm. Children should be brought to the main reception door ready for a 4pm start. Entrance is £1.50, this includes a drink and a snack. Pupils should be collected at the end of the disco from their outside classroom door.

The junior disco will run from 5:00 – 6:00pm. Children should be brought to the junior entrance at the rear of the school ready for a 5pm start. Entrance is £1. Refreshments will be on sale for pupils to purchase, including hot dogs. All pupils must be collected at the end of the disco. Parents should wait at the junior entrance until you are told to go to the hall to collect your child.

Children may come to the disco in their costumes but please think carefully about anything which could cause upset to others.

Parent Teacher Consultations

A reminder that our parent teacher consultations will take place on Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th October 2023. Separate letters were sent home on Monday 9th October for you to be able to book a time with your child's class teacher. If you haven't received a letter, please contact the school office. Please make every effort to attend as it is important we work together to improve standards for all.

School Dinners

Please check with your child that they like the school menu option before they come to school. Next week we will be on week 1 of the menu.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons	Beef Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Chicken Breast Served with Gravy	Sausage	Jumbo Fish Finger or Salmon Fishcake
Choice 2	Ravioli with Cheese (V)	Margherita Pizza (V)	Quorn Sausage (V)	Meat Free Meatballs in Tomato & Basil Sauce (V)	Fruity Vegetable Curry (V)
Accompaniments	Chipped/Mashed Potatoes Sweetcorn Peas	Spaghetti Non Fried Herby Potato Bites Peas Baked Beans	Sage & Thyme Roast Potatoes Boiled/Mashed Potatoes, Swede, Cabbage, Carrots	Mashed Potatoes Pasta Peas Baked Beans	Smiley Faces with Ketchup Rice Sweetcorn Peas
Desserts of the day (fruit available daily)	Yoghurt	Flapjack & Fruit Juice	Jelly	Yoghurt	Citrus Oat Cookie & Fruit Juice

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the pupils who represented the school at the cross-country event in Blackwood yesterday. I was immensely proud of everyone who took part. Special mention to Year 5 & 6 girls and boys who were both crowned champions.

School Photographs

A reminder that the photographer will be in school on Monday 23rd October. All children will have their photograph taken on this day.

Dates

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Year Group</u>
Intensive Swimming	2nd – 20th October	Year 4
Autumn Disco	19th October	Year 1 – Year 6
School Photographs	23rd October	Whole School
Parent Teacher Consultations	24th & 26th October	Whole School
Half-Term	30th October – 3rd November	Whole School
INSET Day	6th November	Whole School
Christmas Fayre	8th December	Whole School (PTA)
Nursery Christmas Concerts	12th December	Nursery
Reception Christmas Concerts	12th & 13th December	Reception
Year 1 Christmas Concerts	13th & 14th December	Year 1
Year 2 Christmas Concerts	14th & 15th December	Year 2
Christmas Dinner	15th December	Reception – Year 6
Year 3 / 4 Christmas Concerts	19th & 20th December	Year 3 / 4
Year 5 / 6 Christmas Concerts	19th & 20th December	Year 5 / 6
INSET Day	22nd December	Whole School
Christmas Holidays	25th December – 5th January	Whole School
INSET Day	8th January 2024	Whole School
Love-ly Disco	8th February 2024	Year 1 – Year 6
Half-Term	12th – 16th February 2024	Whole School
Eisteddfod	1st March 2024	Whole School
Parent Teacher Consultations	19th & 21st March 2024	Whole School
Easter Holidays	25th March – 5th April 2024	Whole School
Cardiff Bay Trip	18th & 19th April 2024	Year 4
Summer Disco	2nd May 2024	Year 1 – Year 6
May Day Bank Holiday	6th May 2024	Whole School
Half Term	27th – 31st May 2024	Whole School
Nursery Sports Day	11th June 2024	Nursery
Reception Sports Day	12th June 2024	Reception
Year 1 Sports Day	12th June 2024	Year 1
Year 2 Sports Day	12th June 2024	Year 2
Year 3 / 4 Sports Day	13th June 2024	Year 3 / 4
Year 5 / 6 Sports Day	13th June 2024	Year 5 / 6
Rising 3s Sports Day	14th June 2024	Rising 3s
Reserve Sports Day	14th June 2024	

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Reserve Sports Day	18th June 2024	
PGL Residential	19th – 21st June 2024	Year 6
Transition Day	26th June 2024	Whole School
School Reports	5th July 2024	Whole School
PTA Summer Fayre	12th July 2024	Whole School
Year 6 Leavers' Evening	16th July 2024	Year 6

Mr C George
Headteacher

Mr G Jones
Chair of School Governors