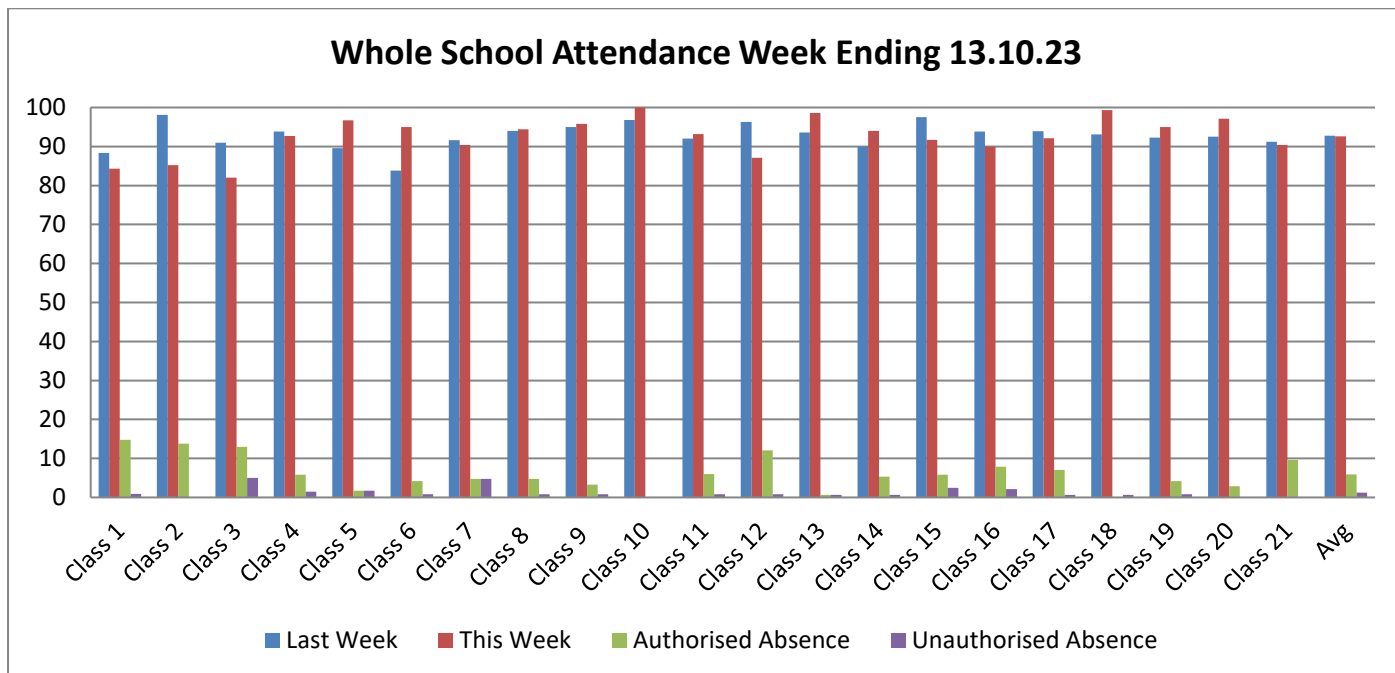




Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 19th October 2023

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 92.62%, this is significantly below our whole school target and a slight decrease on the previous week. Congratulations to Class 10 who has 100% attendance last week!

Authorised absences last week were: **1.2%**

Unauthorised absences last week were: **5.9%**

It is imperative that all absences from school are reported to the school office. This will help to reduce the percentage of unauthorised absences at the school. Failure to report your child’s absence from school could result in a prosecution from the educational welfare officer.

**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](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.

### **After School Clubs**

All teacher led after school clubs will be **cancelled next week** to allow teachers time to prepare for parent teacher consultations.

### **End of School Day**

I politely request that parents do not disturb the junior pupils in their classrooms at the end of the school day. It has been reported that parents are knocking on the classroom windows and disturbing the teaching and learning taking place. If this persists, I will have no option but to stop parents accessing the junior playground at the end of the school day. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

### **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. Please ensure you have returned any sibling photograph requests.

### **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. We will be holding our Harvest Festival on Thursday 26th October.

### **Non-Uniform Day**

Friday 27th October will be a non-uniform day for staff and pupils. The junior leadership team have suggested a donation of £1 per family. All the money collected will be used to purchase art resources for Christmas activities.

### **Pedal Power Disco**

Last week, pupils from Year 2 – Year 6 took part in the pedal power disco. This was as part of our work on the Welsh language.

In total the pupils completed the following:

- Travelled 141 miles
- Burned 4230 kcal
- Produced enough energy to charge 177 mobile phones

### **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.

The friends of Rhiw Syr Dafydd will be selling refreshments on both evenings.

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### 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 2 of the menu.

### Week 2

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Choice 1</b>	Lasagne/Pasta Bake	Minced Beef Pie & Gravy	Sliced Pork & Seasoning Served with Gravy	Chicken Curry	Fish Portion
<b>Choice 2</b>	Margherita Pizza (V)	Ravioli & Cheese (V)	Cottage Pie (V)	Pizza Bagel (V)	Cheese & Potato Pie (V)
<b>Accompaniments</b>	Savoury Herb Diced Potatoes Potato Croquettes Garlic Mushrooms Baked Beans	Parsley Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Carrots Peas	Sage & Thyme Dry Roast Potatoes Boiled Potatoes Broccoli, Carrots, Cauliflower	Rice Potato Croquettes Sweetcorn & Peas Baked Beans	Chipped Potatoes Served with Ketchup Boiled Potatoes Baked Beans Tomatoes
<b>Desserts of the day (fruit available daily)</b>	Yoghurt	Delight & Fruit Juice	Raspberry Mousse Slice	Fruity Flapjack	Chocolate Cookie & Fruit Juice

### 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
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>6th November</b>	<b>Whole School</b>
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
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>22nd December</b>	<b>Whole School</b>
Christmas Holidays	25th December – 5th January	Whole School
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>8th January 2024</b>	<b>Whole School</b>
Love-ly Disco	8th February 2024	Year 1 – Year 6
Half-Term	12th – 16th February 2024	Whole School

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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	
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**