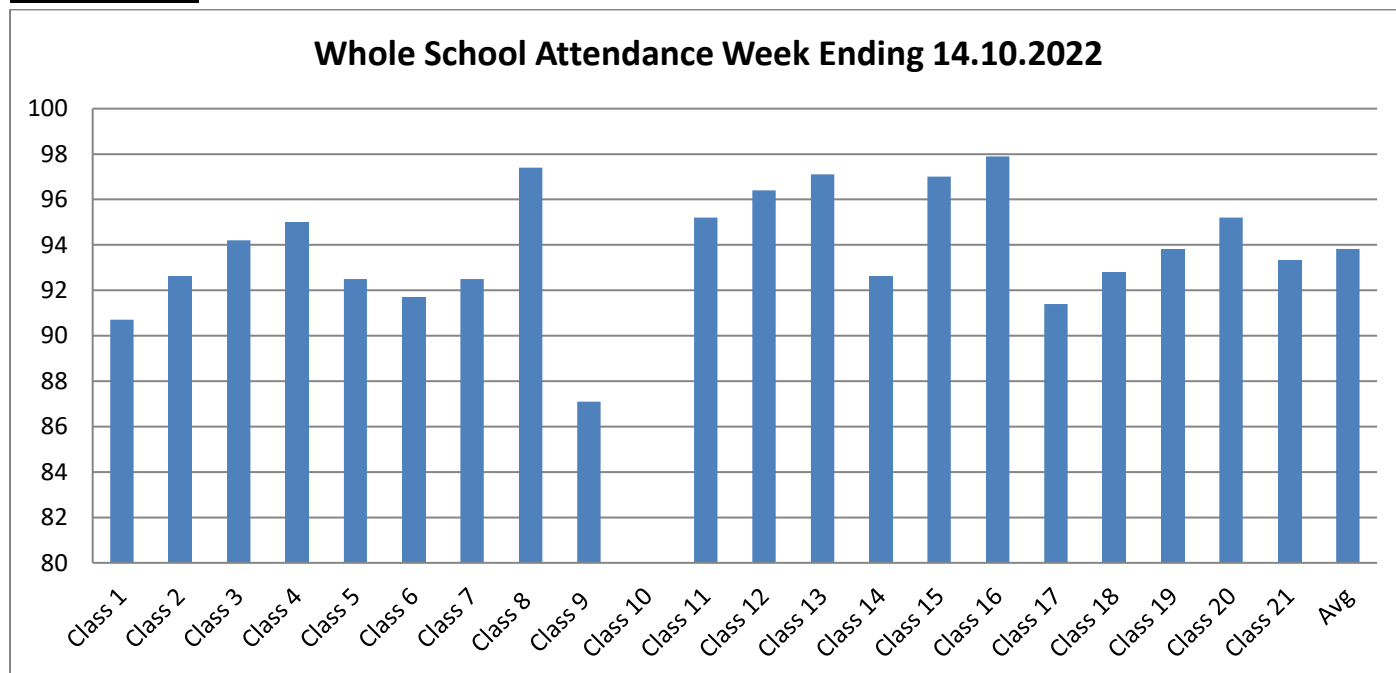




Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 20th October

Attendance



Our target for the academic year is **95.7%**. Look at the graph above to see how your child's class is performing. Our average attendance last week was **93.82%** which is a slight increase on the previous week and below our whole school target of **95.7%**.

Attendance

Pupils with poor attendance are more likely to fall behind with their work, have gaps in their learning, and therefore, achieve lower examination results. This will affect their life chances for the future. We all have the responsibility to ensure that our pupils achieve the best start in life, so they can reach their full potential.

A pupil who achieves 90% attendance is still missing out on a significant amount of education.

90% attendance = ½ a day missed every week

90% attendance over 5 years of school = ½ a school year missed

Lateness

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. It can be very stressful to arrive late for school. A pupil arriving late also disrupts lessons for others. Persistent lateness can be classed as unauthorised absence; and will be referred to the Education Welfare Service. Please remember, our family liaison officer, Mr Hampshire, is available to support if required.

Christmas

The dates for the Christmas Concerts have been added to the reverse of this letter.

Parent Teacher Consultations

A reminder that our parent teacher consultations will take place on Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th October 2022. Your class teacher should have provided you with a time to meet. If you have not received an appointment letter, please contact the school office.

Please be aware that all after school clubs run by teaching staff **will not go ahead** next week. Playworks and Taekwondo will continue as normal.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival is on Monday 24th October. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has sent in items to be donated to the food bank. If you wish to donate any items, there is still time. Please send them into school with your child. Thank you for your support.

Admissions

If your child is in Nursery, you will need to apply for a place in our Reception class. You can do this by clicking on the link below and completing the relevant forms. The closing date for this is 16th December 2022. Failure to complete the admission form could result in your child not gaining a place in Reception. In addition, all applications for January Rising 3's must be completed by 28th October 2022. Applications can again be completed by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/Services/Schools-and-learning/Admissions-and-appeals/Primary-and-secondary-school-admissions>

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Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 24th October	Harvest Festival
Tuesday 25th October	Parent Teacher Consultations
Thursday 27th October	Parent Teacher Consultations
Friday 28th October	School Closes for Half-Term
Monday 7th November	School Closed INSET Day
Tuesday 8th November	Pupils Return to School
Friday 25th November	Flu Immunisations R – Y6
Monday 28th November	Flu Immunisations R – Y6
Thursday 1st December	Whole School Pantomime Aladdin
Monday 5th December	Year 3 / 4 Christmas Concert 1.30pm
Tuesday 6th December	Year 3 / 4 Christmas Concert 6pm
Wednesday 7th December	Year 5 / 6 Christmas Concert 1.30pm Year 5 / 6 Christmas Concert 6.00pm
Thursday 8th December	Year 5 / 6 Christmas Concert 1.30pm Year 5 / 6 Christmas Concert 6.00pm
Friday 9th December	Christmas Fayre
Monday 12th December	Reception Christmas Concert 9.15am (Class 1 and Class 2 boys) Nursery (am) Christmas Concert 10.30am Nursery (pm) Christmas Concert 1.30pm
Tuesday 13th December	Reception Christmas Concert 9.15am (Class 3 and Class 2 girls) Year 1 Christmas Concert 10.30am (Class 4 and Class 5 boys)
Wednesday 14th December	Year 1 Christmas Concert 9.15am (Class 6 and Class 5 girls) Class 7, 8 & 9 Christmas Concert 10.30am (Class 7 and Class 8 girls)
Thursday 15th December	Class 7, 8 & 9 Christmas Concert 9.15am (Class 9 and Class 8 boys)
Friday 16th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 23rd December	School Closes for Christmas

**Mr C George
Headteacher**

**Mr G Jones
Chair of School Governors**