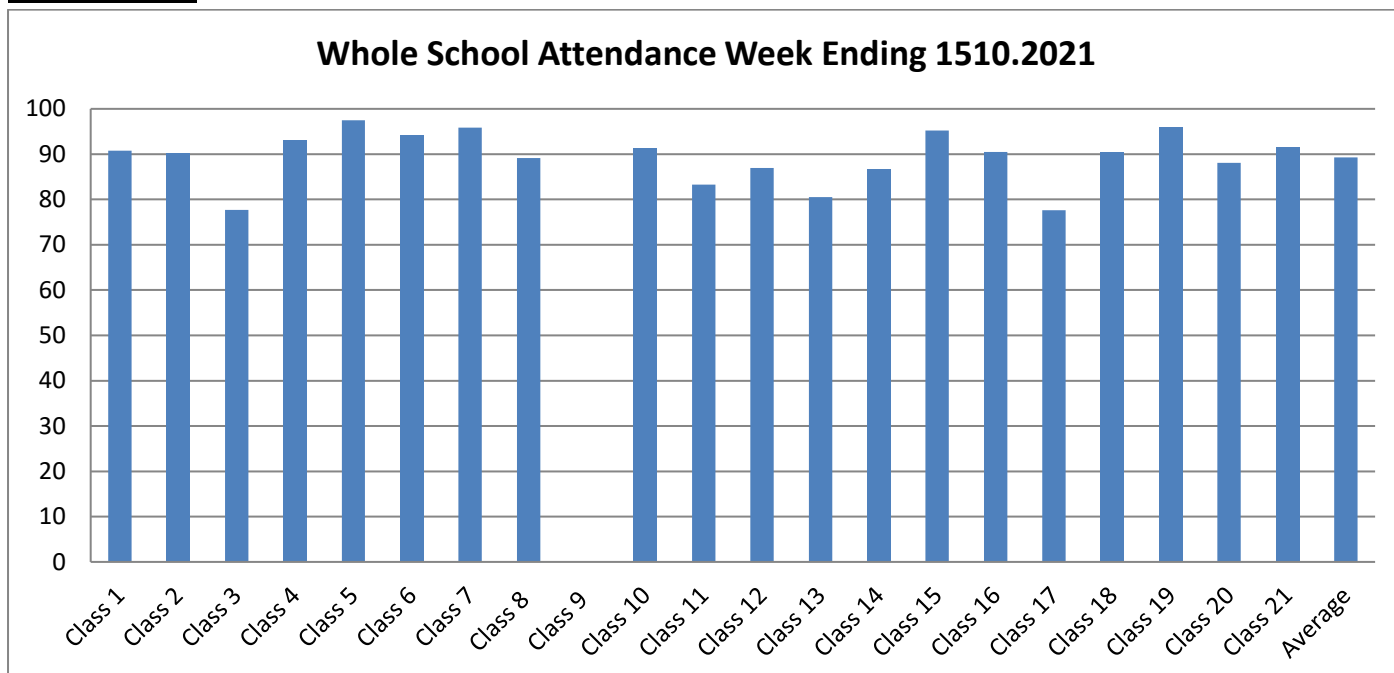




Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 21st October 2021

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 last week was **89.30%** - Covid is impacting on our attendance and this is to be expected. Thank you for your continued support.

Admission to Secondary School

A reminder that all applications for secondary school must be completed by **Friday 22nd October 2021**. Failure to complete the form by this date may result in your child not getting a place at secondary school.

Harvest

If you have any items you would like to donate towards our Harvest Festival please send them into school as soon as possible. We are collecting items which we will display in the hall before being donated to the local food bank in Blackwood. Thank you all for your anticipated support.

New Lunch Menu

When we return after the half-term break there will be a new lunch menu in place. The new menu can be found at the end of this newsletter. When we return after the half-term break we will be on week 1 of the menu.

Non-Uniform Day

Tomorrow will be a non-uniform day for staff and pupils. There will be no cost on this occasion as we recently collected for the breast care unit at Ysbyty Fawr.

Breakfast Club

Please remember that breakfast club starts at 7:50am and pupils must not arrive before this time as there will be no access to the school building.

Battery Recycling

We have a new battery recycling collection point in the school foyer. If you have any old batteries to be recycled please deposit them in the collection box. This will support the school in our work towards becoming ethically informed citizens.

Seesaw

You will be receiving a separate letter regarding some changes we are making to the way we operate Seesaw in school. The changes will ensure that pupils have their learning journal throughout their time in school. Please contact the school if you have any issues with the update.

Cross Country

My congratulations to all of the pupils who represented the school at the Cross Country event at Blackwood Show fields last week. The behaviour of all pupils was excellent and I am pleased to announce that the Year 3/4 boys' team were successful in winning the event. Well done everyone.

Covid Update

As I am sure many of you will be aware, we have seen a significant increase in the number of pupils and staff testing positive for Covid-19 over the past few weeks. It is imperative that your child has a PCR test if they develop any symptoms of Covid 19. Over the half-term break, all positive cases must be reported via the contact form on the school website.

As a school, we currently have 46 pupils who are absent from school having tested positive for Covid-19.

Children in Need

We will be supporting Children in Need this year on Friday 19th November. The pupil leadership team are in the process of finalising the details for the day but I wanted to give you advance notice should you wish to purchase the merchandise which is available in supermarkets.

Half-Term

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support throughout these challenging times. You have made a difficult time easier to manage through your cooperation and understanding. I wish you all a very relaxing half-term break and hope that the sun will shine so we can all enjoy the outdoors. I look forward to seeing all of the pupils back in school on Monday 1st November. Please stay safe.

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LUNCHTIME MENU

WEEK 1



Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons	Beef Bolognaise 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)	Apple & Raspberry Oaty Crumble with Custard	Flapjack & Fruit Juice	Jelly	Chocolate Cake with Custard	Citrus Oat Cookie & Fruit Juice



LUNCHTIME MENU

WEEK 2



Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Lasagne/Pasta Bake	Minced Beef Pie & Gravy	Sliced Pork & Seasoning Served with Gravy	Chicken Curry	Fish Portion
Choice 2	Margherita Pizza (V)	Ravioli & Cheese (V)	Cottage Pie (V)	Pizza Bagel (V)	Cheese & Potato Pie (V)
Accompaniments	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
Desserts of the day (fruit available daily)	Adam & Eve Sponge with Custard	Delight & Fruit Juice	Raspberry Mousse Slice	Fruity Flapjack	Chocolate Cookie & Fruit Juice



LUNCHTIME MENU

WEEK 3



Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Sausage	Meatballs	Sliced Beef & Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Cottage Pie	Sea Stars or Salmon Fishcake Served with Fruity Curry Sauce
Choice 2	Macaroni Cheese (V)	Tomato & Lentil Pasta Bake (V)	Sausage (V)	Margherita Pizza (V)	Cheese Panini (V)
Accompaniments	Chipped Potatoes Garlic Bread Baked Beans Broccoli Spinach	Potato Swirls Whole-wheat Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce Potato Croquette Peas, Sweetcorn	Oven Baked Crispy Roast Potatoes/Mashed Potatoes Cabbage, Carrots, Peas	Mashed Potatoes Non Fried Herby Potato Bites Carrots Coleslaw	Chipped Potatoes Served with Ketchup Savoury Wedges Baked Beans, Peas, Side Salad
Desserts of the day (fruit available daily)	Chocolate & Orange Sponge with Custard	Artic Roll & Fruit Juice	Yoghurt	Caramel Apple Crumble & Ice Cream	Honey & Lemon Cookie & Fruit Juice

Menu Week 1	Menu Week 2	Menu Week 3
Week Commencing	Week Commencing	Week Commencing
30 th Aug 2021	6 th Sept 2021	13 th Sept 2021
20 th Sept 2021	27 th Sept 2021	4 th Oct 2021
11 th Oct 2021	18 th Oct 2021	25 th Oct 2021
1 st Nov 2021	8 th Nov 2021	15 th Nov 2021
22 nd Nov 2021	29 th Nov 2021	6 th Dec 2021
13 th Dec 2021	20 th Dec 2021	27 th Dec 2021
3 rd Jan 2022	10 th Jan 2022	17 th Jan 2022
24 th Jan 2022	31 st Jan 2022	7 th Feb 2022
14 th Feb 2022	21 st Feb 2022	28 th Feb 2022
7 th Mar 2022	14 th Mar 2022	21 st Mar 2022
28 th Mar 2022	4 th April 2022	11 th April 2022
18 th April 2022	25 th April 2022	2 nd May 2022
9 th May 2022	16 th May 2022	23 rd May 2022
30 th May 2022	6 th June 2022	13 th June 2022
20 th June 2022	27 th June 2022	4 th July 2022
11 th July 2022	18 th July 2022	

Mr C George
Headteacher

Mr G Jones
Chair of School Governors