



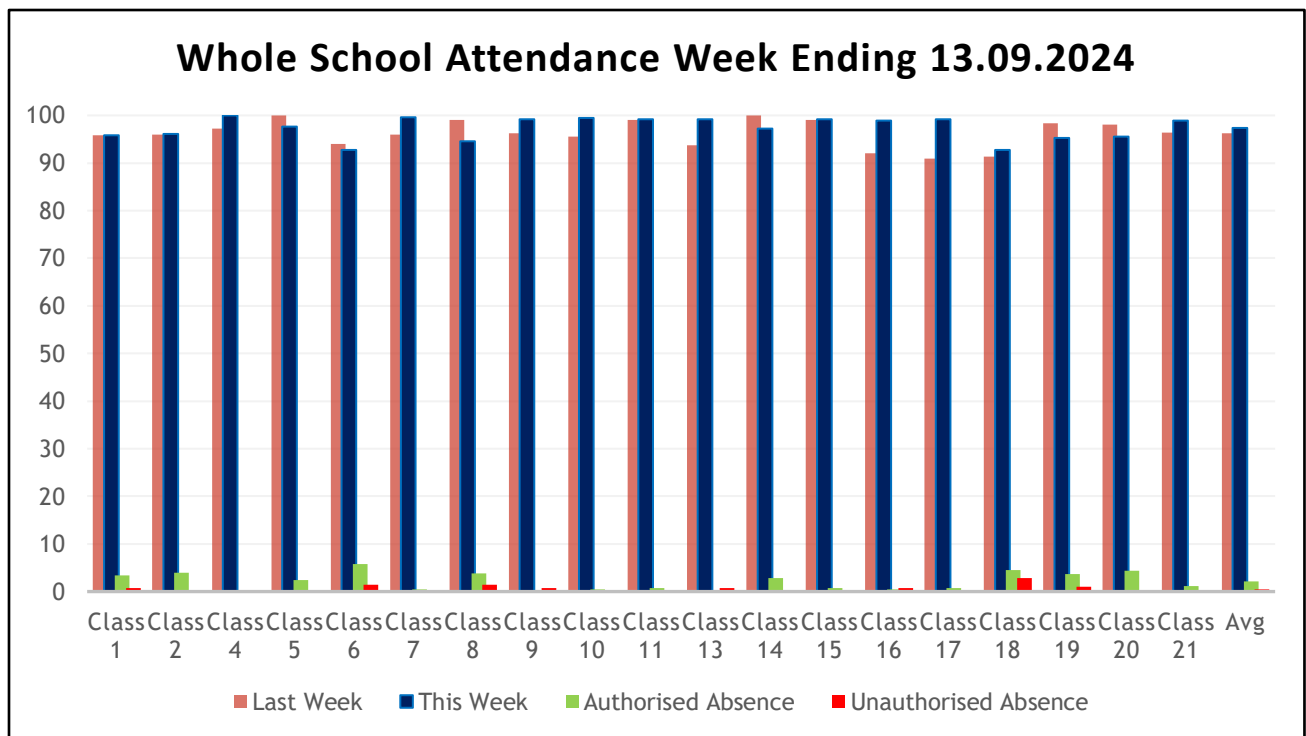
Parent Newsletter



Friday 20th September 2024



Attendance Matters



Our attendance 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 97.40%, this is above our whole school target

Authorised absences were: **2.10%**

Unauthorised absences were: **0.5%** - This is a vast improvement on the previous week. All absences **must** be reported to the school office.

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.

Secondary School Applications

Applications for secondary school places are now open. To secure a place for your child at secondary school you will need to complete an online application.

Please visit the Caerphilly.gov website, search for school admissions and click to 'Apply for a place at school.' The actual web address is www.caerphilly.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

The closing date for applications is **25th October 2024**.

Flu Vaccinations

The NHS recommends that your child has a flu vaccination every year.

It's very important to protect your child from flu to make sure they stay as healthy as possible. The best flu vaccine for most children is a nasal spray. This is the vaccine that will be given on the day.

The online consent form and additional information can be found here: <https://linktr.ee/schoolfluab>



To help make sure the vaccine is suitable for your child, and they don't miss out, please take time to read the information and **follow the link to complete the electronic consent form as soon as possible, before the planned vaccination date**, no later than **48 hours** before the above date. Any consent forms submitted after this time may result in your child not receiving their vaccine on the day.

Should you have any difficulties accessing the above link, please contact 01633 431685 for further support.

Parking

I have received several complaints from parents regarding parking in the school car park. There are a number of vehicles parking in the disabled parking bays without the relevant blue badge. We have a number of disabled children and parents who need to park as close to the school building as possible. Please be respectful when parking your vehicle.

Lines of Communication

If you have a concern regarding school, you can often resolve it quickly by talking to your child's class teacher. However, if you feel you need to take your concern further after speaking to your child's class teacher, you should speak to one of the following members of the senior leadership team:

- Mrs Arnold

- Mrs Boyland
- Mrs Robins
- Mr White

In the unlikely event that the senior leadership team are unable to help you with your concern, you should then contact the deputy headteacher or headteacher.

All appointments can be made by contacting the school office.

School Dinners

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



LUNCHTIME MENU WEEK 1



Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Welsh Beef Lasagne	French Bread Pizza	Sliced Beef, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Sweet Chilli Chicken	Harry Ramsdens Fish Portion
Choice 2	Welsh Cheese & Onion Savoury Bake (V)	Ravioli in Tomato Sauce served with Welsh Cheese & Focaccia Bread (V)	Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (V)	Margarita Pizza (V)	Welsh Beef Burger or Quorn Burger (V) in a Bun with Ketchup
Choice 3 Daily Special	Fish Goujons Non-Fried	Filled Jacket Potato	Chicken Goujons	Filled Wrap	Filled Baguette
Accompaniments	Garlic & Herb Bread Seasoned Twisted Potatoes with Various Sauces Salad Bar Baked Beans Peas	Wholemeal Savoury Rice Seasoned Wedges Non-Fried Salad Bar Sweetcorn Green Beans	Oven Baked Dry Roast Potatoes Mashed/Boiled Potatoes Salad Bar Cabbage Carrots Swede	Noodles Savoury Herb Diced Potatoes Non-Fried Salad Bar Mixed Vegetables BBQ Beans	Seasoned Wedges Non-Fried Chipped Potatoes with Various Sauces Salad Bar Corn on Cob Peas
Desserts	Chocolate & Pear Brownie with Ice Cream	Various Fruit Crumble & Custard	Jam or Fruit Welsh Cake with Fruit Wedges	Welsh Lan Y Laeth Yoghurt	Flapjack

A Selection of Filled Jacket Potatoes, Sandwiches, Baguettes or Wraps are also available daily
Please Note: The above menu contains allergens

After School Clubs

Our after-school clubs will be starting next week. Pupils should have brought a letter home if they are interested in attending a club. If a form is not received, pupils will be unable to join the relevant club.

Head Pupils

Congratulations to everyone who applied to become head pupils. I am extremely proud of everyone who spoke in front of their peers. Following a rigorous process, I am delighted to announce the following pupils were voted for by their peers:

- **Head Girl:** Eva Morris
- **Head Boy:** Finn Sheridan
- **Deputy Head Girl:** Lucy Cowell
- **Deputy Head Boy:** Riley Mason / John Rickard

I look forward to working with the pupils on school improvement issues. I'm sure they will have some excellent ideas. They have already started work looking for a new fish tank to improve the environment for all pupils!



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Mr C George
Headteacher

Mrs S Windsor
Chair of Governors

