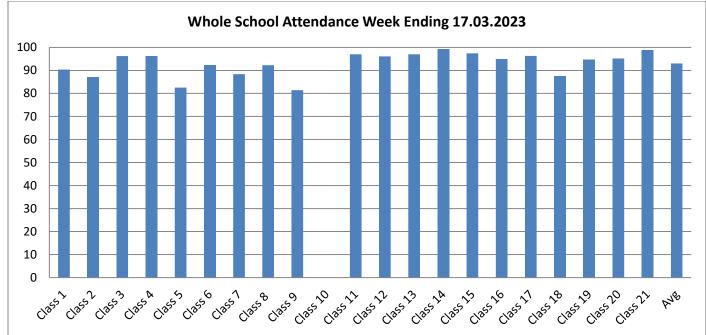
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Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 23rd March 2023







Our target for the academic year is <u>95.7%</u>. Look at the graph above to see how your child's class is performing. Our average attendance last week was **93.04%** which is a slight increase on the previous week and below our whole school target of **95.7%**. Congratulations to Class 14 who had the highest attendance last week.

I wrote to a number of parents recently where their child's attendance has fallen below 90%. If you require any support with attendance at school, our family liaison officer, Mr Jeff Hampshire, is available to help and support. He can be contacted via the school office.

Staffing

Ms Jacqui Jones will be leaving us at the end of next week. Ms Jones has worked at Rhiw Syr Dafydd Primary School for over sixteen years and will be greatly missed by everyone. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her dedication to our school and to wish her every continued success for the future.

Mrs French-Howser will also be leaving Rhiw Syr Dafydd at the end of next week. A separate letter will be sent to the parents of this class explaining the plans for the class moving forward. I would like to thank Mrs French-Howser for her hard work and to wish her every success in her new school.

PTCs

Parent Teacher Consultations will be taking place the week beginning 27th March 2023. If you haven't already made an appointment with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office as soon as possible. It is important that we continue to work together to raise standards.

Please be aware that all teacher led after school clubs will not run next week.

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<u>CAMHS</u>

CAMHS will be running a range of workshops on MS Teams in Easter Half Term 2023 for all children, young people and their families across Gwent. Please use the booking QR code below and make sure to book on at least 24 hours before the session. Parents are welcome to attend with their young person but we will not be able to answer any individual CAMHS queries during the workshop time.



Easter Holidays

School will close to pupils for the Easter holidays on Thursday 30th March 2023. Pupils will return to school for the start of the summer term on Monday 17th April 2023.

Comic Relief

Thank you to everyone who supported our fund raising efforts for Comic Relief last week. In total we raised almost £500.

School Meals

Please click on the link below to see the Caerphilly school dinner menu.

https://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/services/schools-and-learning/school-dinners-and-breakfastclubs/schedule-and-prices/weekly-menu

Next week, we will be on week 3 of the menu. Please check the menu with your child to ensure they like what is on offer.

<u>Covid</u>

We have seen an increasing number of positive cases of Covid across the school. Please remain vigilant and arrange a test for your child if they are displaying symptoms of coronavirus.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- A high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- A new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

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Oakdale Rugby Club

Oakdale Mini & Junior section are recruiting for new players. Please see the poster below for further information.



Mr C George Headteacher Mr G Jones Chair of School Governors