

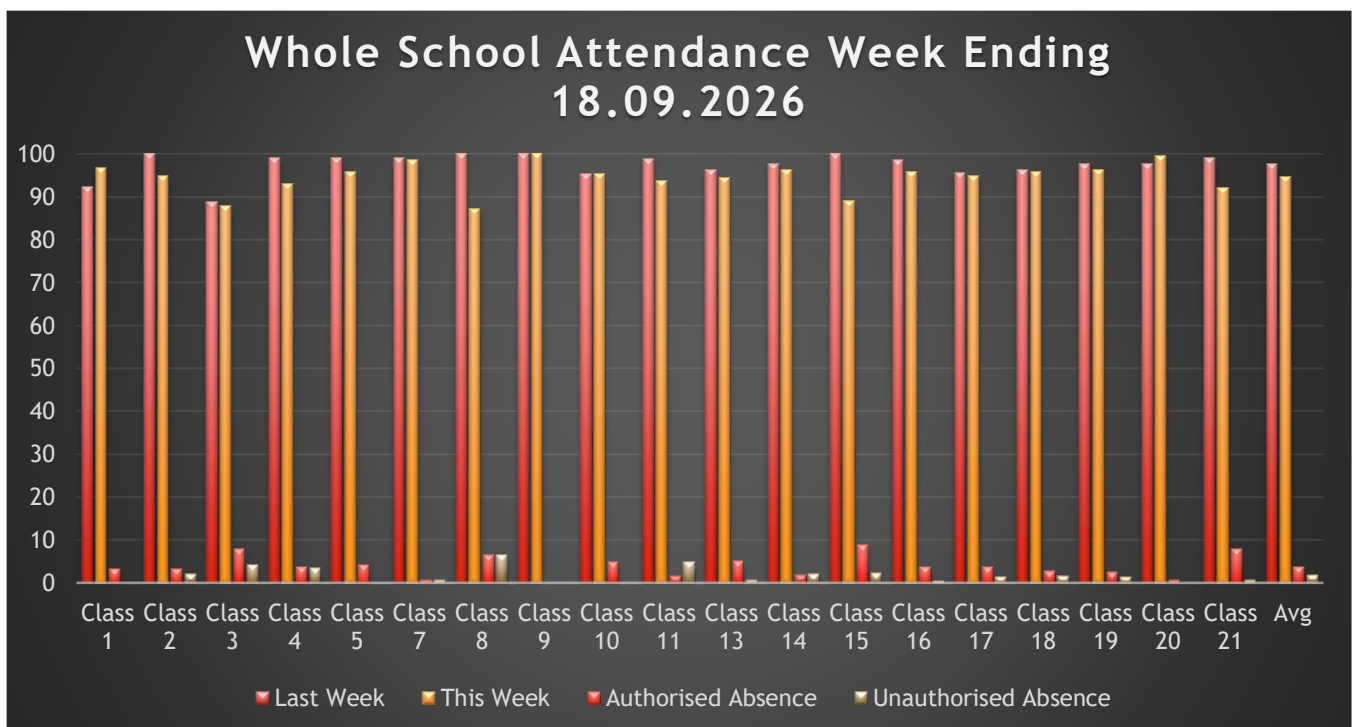


Parent Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2026



Attendance Matters



Our attendance target for the academic year is **95%**. Look at the graph above to see how your child's class is performing. The average attendance across the school last week was **94.5%**. This is below our whole school target and a decrease on the previous week.

Authorised absences were: **3.8%**

Unauthorised absences were: **1.7%** - 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.

School Dinners

Next week, we will be on Week 2 of the menu. Please check with your child that they like the menu option before they come to school.



LUNCHTIME MENU WEEK 2



Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Hot Dog with Onions & Tomato Ketchup	Fruity Curry	Turkey, Yorkshire Pudding Seasoning & Gravy	Jumbo Fish Finger	Pork Meatballs
Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake with Garlic & Herb Bread (V)	Welsh Cauliflower Cheese (V)	Margarita Pizza (V)	Macaroni Cheese Made with Welsh Cheese (V)	Cheese Omelette (V)
Choice 3 Daily Special	Fish Goujons Non-Fried	Welsh Cheese Toasted Panini (V)	Meatball Baguette with BBQ Sauce (V)	Filled Sandwich	Cod & Salmon Fish Fingers Non-Fried
Accompaniments	Mashed Potatoes Seasoned Wedges Non-Fried with Tomato Ketchup Salad Bar Peas Coleslaw	Rice/Noodles Savoury Herb Diced Potatoes Non-Fried Salad Bar Mixed Vegetables Corn on Cob	Sage & Thyme Oven Baked Dry Roast Potatoes Mashed/Boiled Potatoes Salad Bar Carrots Cabbage Peas	Pommes Noisettes Tomato & Garlic Cheesy Twist Bread Salad Bar Sweetcorn Baked Beans	Seasoned Wedges Non-Fried Crispy Fries & Various Sauces Salad Bar Baked Beans Peas
Desserts	Strawberry Flapjack	Fruit & Ice Cream	Jelly	Fruit Sponge with Custard	Plain Cookie Served with Fruit

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

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 secondary applications is 30th October 2026

A letter has been sent home with pupils and a copy is also available on Seesaw.

Outdoor Play

We would like to remind all families of the importance of children spending time outdoors during their break and lunchtime.

All children are expected to go outside onto the playground during break and lunchtime, unless there is a specific reason why they are unable to do so. Fresh air, outdoor play and physical activity are an important part of the school day and support children's physical health, wellbeing, concentration and readiness to learn.

If your child is unable to go outside for a particular reason, we kindly ask that you provide the school with a written note explaining the reason. This will allow us to ensure that we are aware of their needs and can make appropriate arrangements.

We appreciate that there may be occasions when a child is genuinely unable to participate in outdoor activities, and we will always take individual circumstances into consideration.

School Crossing Patrol

Please be aware that there will be **no school crossing patrol on Monday 5th October and Wednesday 7th October 2026.**

Please take **extra care when crossing Maes Y Garn Road** on these dates.



Dates (2026 – 2027)

Event	Date	Year Group
School Photographs	Monday 12 th October	Nursery – Year 2
School Photographs	Tuesday 13 th October	Year 3 – Year 6
School Photographs	Wednesday 14 th October	Siblings
Spooky Disco (PTA)	Thursday 15 th October	Year 1 – Year 6
PTCs	Monday 19 th – Thursday 22 nd October	Whole School
PTA Sweet Shop	Friday 23 rd October	Whole School
Half-Term	Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October	Whole School
PTA Shopping Trip	Saturday 14 th November	Whole School
PTA Christmas Jumper Sale	Monday 16 th November	Whole School
Christmas Fayre (PTA)	Friday 4 th December	Whole School
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 8 th December	Nursery
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 8 th December	Reception
Christmas Concert	Wednesday 9 th December	Reception
Christmas Concert	Wednesday 9 th December	Year 1
Christmas Concert	Thursday 10 th December	Year 1
Christmas Concert	Thursday 10 th December	Year 2
Christmas Concert	Friday 11 th December	Year 2

Christmas Dinner	Friday 11 th December	Reception – Year 6
Christmas Concert	Monday 14 th December	Year 5 & 6
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 15 th December	Year 3 & 4
Christmas Concert	Wednesday 16 th December	Year 3 & 4
Christmas Concert	Wednesday 16 th December	Year 5 & 6
Christmas Holidays	Monday 21 st December – Friday 1 st January	Whole School
Half-Term	Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th February	Whole School
INSET Day	Monday 15 th February	Whole School
Lovely Disco (PTA)	Thursday 18 th February	Year 1 – Year 6
Mother's Day Stall (PTA)	Monday 22 nd February	Whole School
Vision & Growth Screening	Tuesday 23 rd – Thursday 24 th February	Reception
Swimming	Monday 1 st March – Friday 19 th March	Year 5
Swimming	Monday 5 th April – Friday 23 rd April	Year 5
Eisteddfod	Friday 5 th March	Whole School
PTCs	Monday 15 th – Thursday 18 th March	Whole School
PTA Sweet Shop	Friday 19 th March	Whole School
Easter Holidays	Monday 22 nd March – Friday 2 nd April	Whole School
INSET Day	Monday 5 th April	Whole School
Cardiff Bay	Tuesday 4 th – Wednesday 5 th May	Year 4
Class Photographs	Tuesday 25 th May	Nursery – Year 2
Class Photographs	Wednesday 26 th May	Year 3 – Year 6 Year 6 Leavers
INSET Day	Friday 28 th May	Whole School
Half-Term	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Whole School
Summer Disco (PTA)	Thursday 10 th June	Year 1 – Year 6
Father's Day Stall	Monday 14 th June	Whole School
Sports Day	Tuesday 22 nd June	Nursery
Sports Day	Wednesday 23 rd June	Reception Year 1 Year 2
Sports Day	Thursday 24 th June	Rising 3s Year 3 Year 4
Sports Day	Friday 25 th June	Year 5

		Year 6
Rainbow Raffle	Wednesday 30 th June	Whole School
School Reports	Friday 2 nd July	Whole School
Year 6 Residential	Friday 2 nd – Sunday 4 th July	Year 6
Summer Fayre (PTA)	Friday 9 th July	Whole School
Leavers' Assembly	Tuesday 13 th July	Year 6
INSET Day	Monday 19 th July	Whole School
INSET Day	Tuesday 20 th July	Whole School

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Mr C George
Headteacher

Mrs S Windsor
Chair of Governors

