

Newsletter Spring 2023

One Family, Shining Brightly



Thank you for your support last term.
It feels like it has rushed by really quickly!
Remember to follow our Twitter feed so you
can see pictures, videos and reminders of what's taking
place in every class.



STAFF NEWS

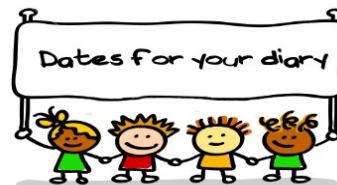
Mrs Hughes our Deputy head & Year 3 teacher has
been seconded as the Headteacher at Hawthorn
Primary School. This secondment begins after
Easter and ends September 2024.
We wish her all the best in her new adventure!

Mrs Goddard will be acting Deputy head/ALENCo
for Parclewis during this time.

As a result, we will now be changing the staffing
structure to some of our classes, when we return on
Monday 17.04.2023 - please see below:

Mrs Morgan will be teaching Year 3
Mrs Williams will be teaching Year 3 & 4
Mrs Rees will now be teaching the Rec/Yr1 class
every Thursday & Friday.

All pupils know the teachers very well and we have
endeavoured to keep changes as minimal as possible.



Easter Break

Monday 03.04.2023 – Friday 14.04.2023

Summer Term

Monday 17.04.2023 – Friday 21.07.2023

Half Term Monday 29.05.2023– Friday 02.06.2023

May Bank Holidays –

Monday 01.05.2023

Monday 08.05.2023

School INSET Days

Please see below the dates for the 2 remaining INSET
days:

Friday 26.05.23 – Team Teach

Friday 16.06.23 – New Curriculum



DINNER MONEY – PRICE INCREASE

As of Monday 17th April 2023, RCT have told schools that
dinner prices will increase to £2.70 per day/ £13.50 per
week.

Please ensure that you enter the correct amount when
paying online. Thank you

Important

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Parking

We actively encourage our families to respect the road markings outside the school and not park on the zig zag and double yellow lines – safety of our children is our priority at Parclewis. However, as parking is outside the school premises we ask that parents take responsibility to keep children safe by ensuring that parking of vehicles is done in a sensible and respectable way. Recently there have been several issues on the road outside schools' main entrance. Parking on the zigzags and double yellow lines is illegal and does mean that cars cannot pass one another resulting in much congestion and frustration at pick up time. (Particularly during rainy weather).

Traffic officers are currently monitoring the situation to see if extra road markings etc. would help. In the meantime, regular checks by Parking Enforcement Officers are taking place and several fines have been issued.

Office Hours – the school office is staffed between 8.30am & 3.30pm.

ALL children must be supervised by an adult until 8.45am on all school yards

**Parents are not permitted to park in the car park due to pupil safety,
unless exceptional circumstances have been authorised by school.**

Thank you for your help with these matters



World Book Day

World Book Day at School was a great success. Thank you, Mrs. Henshaw, for organising a fun day! The children and staff looked fantastic in their 'bedtime stories' pajamas and loved settling down for reading activities. Thank you, mums and dads!



St David's Day Eisteddfod

The entries for our Eisteddfod competition were amazing! Thank you to everyone for working with the children to produce such fantastic pieces. It's a real shame they couldn't be displayed so all parents could view the entries. Judging is an impossible task but winners and runners up were given a small prize and certificate during the eisteddfod.

It was a lovely morning/afternoon and the 'sea of red' in the hall was wonderful to see.

Diolch yn Fawr!



School Clubs

This terms clubs have been really well attended by the children

Tuesday – Dodgeball club, Speak Up club

Wednesday – Wellbeing Wednesday

Thursday – Rugby club, Science club, Disney Football.

Keep your eyes peeled for next terms clubs as they fill up fast!

A huge thankyou to the staff that give up their own time to run these clubs.



Congratulations to our rugby team!

Well done to our fabulous Parc Lewis rugby team. During the recent Pontypridd Schools U11 tournament held at Sardis Road 'House of Pain', our rugby team won the Plate competition. In the final we beat a very competitive Castellau team by 5 tries.

Well done everyone, what fantastic progress made this year!



Parental Engagement

Thank you to the majority of our parents who met with class teachers recently to discuss progress made by pupils. Approximately 85% of parents attended and were able to look at children's work.

We also gave out attendance certificates to ensure that parents are aware of children's attendance at school.

This term please look out for an invite to school for our 'Express Afternoons', 23rd & 24th May, where work will be on display and children can show parents their books.

'Speak Up Club' parents will be invited into school to enjoy a performance by the children.

Year 6

Children always make best progress when school and home work together.

Comic Relief



Thank you for your generous donations of foodstuffs for Pontypridd Foodbank. This year the children felt it to be more worthwhile to collect for this cause rather than collecting money to send in. The donations were greatly received by Mrs Minton and will be distributed locally.



During the Easter holidays we are looking to continue to update our school site.

Mrs Jones Rec/Year 1 class will soon have access to their own safe outdoor area.

A door and ramp will be built and fencing placed around their own outside classroom area.

This will then be developed during the summer term and suitably resourced.



Have a lovely Easter holiday. Stay safe and we'll see all the children on Monday 17th April