

# Newsletter Summer (1) 2023

One Family, Shining Brightly



YSGOL GYNRADD  
**PARC LEWIS**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Welcome Back!

I hope this Newsletter finds you all safe and well!

It has been really lovely to see all the children come back to school this week - some with a few less teeth, (the tooth fairy's doing well), but all with lovely smiley faces.



## Parent School Sessions

Parclewis would like to invite junior parents/guardians to our:  
**KS2 Afternoon Express Exhibition 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
– an opportunity for parents/guardians to look at children's work from the whole Key Stage.



## 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

## INSET days

Friday 26.05.23 – Team Teach

Friday 16.06.23 – New Curriculum

## Social Action Extravaganza

It was announced that as part of King Charles' Coronation celebrations people of Britain are being encouraged to take up volunteering roles. The initiative was created with the aim to reflect the central role of the nation's volunteering sector. At Parc Lewis we have decided to take part in a social action extravaganza - a week dedicated to helping our school community.



### Tuesday

2nd May

Year 6—Community Cuppa @ Pontypridd Museum.

Year 5—Litter picking @ Ponty Park.

### Wednesday

3rd May

Year 3— Notes of appreciation in the local community.

Nur/Rec & Rec/Y1— Litter picking at school.

### Thursday

4th May

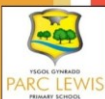
Year 4/5—community visit @ St Catherine's Church.

### Friday 5th

May

Year 1/2 and Year 2—Leafletting with Pontypridd Fire Station.

Year 3/4— gardening @ Meadow Street community garden.



## ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW



## GOOD ATTENDANCE

There are proven links to good attendance and attainment. This term we have set ourselves the ambitious target of 94%.

Please support us by making sure your child regularly attends school. If your child is absent they are missing out on their work and social contact with their friends.

Each week in our celebration assembly a mention is given to the class with the highest attendance. At the end of term the class with the best overall attendance receives a certificate, and the class keeps the attendance trophy until the next celebration assembly.



We kindly ask that Parents/Guardians continue to....

- Make every effort to drop off and collect their child/ren at the associated times for their class. Please note internal school gates are locked at 8.55am.
- No cars are permitted in the car park at anytime unless prior permission has been given by school.
- Where possible please avoid making appointments for your child/ren during school hours. If an emergency appointment is unavoidable and you will be dropping your child off late or collecting early, please ensure you have emailed the school notifying them of the times you will be arriving at the main door, and have also informed the class teacher of the times. We can then order a school lunch for your child.

Once again, thank you, we appreciate your continued effort, to support the School and each other by adhering to our requests.

Please continue to check your child's Teams page for up to date class information. Individual class newsletters are posted with details such as PE days, class topics & trips etc.



Catch up on school news and photographs of events through the school Twitter Feed.



### School Clubs

Speak Up club continues on Tuesday until 4.15pm

Look out for the invite for the parents of the children who have been taking part to our performance.

Here we can show off some of the songs, dances and acting that we have been practicing to an audience.

The theme is 'Magic of the Musicals'



### Behaviour

All classes use 'Dojo' points as rewards for good behavior and the children really enjoy finding out who wins every week.

Juniors also use the 'Good2BGreen' system with red and yellow cards. This helps cut down on 'low level' disruption during lesson times. Children are aware of the rules and consequences and nearly all children are able to attend our end of term treat.

There are lots of pictures on Twitter!

**A** Correspondence from Parc Lewis  
**A** is now paperless where possible.  
**A** Parents/Guardians will receive a  
**A** text message to notify you of new  
**A** letters etc. on the school website:  
**A** [www.parclewisprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.parclewisprimaryschool.co.uk)  
**A** Please ensure we always have  
**A** an up to date mobile number.



### Swimming Sessions for Junior Pupils 21.04.23

Swimming lessons for junior pupils will start from Monday 15th May until Thursday 25th May.

Swimming is a core aspect of our PE curriculum and an important life skill with additional health and social benefits. It is essential that children participate.

If there is a medical reason why your child cannot swim on a certain day, please send in a written letter or email to explain this. All pupils will be able to swim every day. This has been found to be the most effective way to learn to swim and make best progress rather than a weekly swim lesson.

We understand that some children can be nervous if they are not used to the swimming pool. Both school staff and swimming pool staff understand this and are very experienced in calming nerves.

Thank you with your support with this excellent opportunity for our children.