

Year 6 - Autumn 2026

Newsletter

Welcome to Year 6

Dear Parent/Guardian, We would like to welcome your child to the Year 6 classes. This year is an extremely important time in your child's education, which will be further enhanced with your encouragement and co-operation. We hope this year will be a productive, settled and enjoyable experience for our Year 6 pupils. In this newsletter, we hope to provide you with relevant information that will be helpful to you and your child.



YEAR 6

Key Information

- PE will be on a Monday for Yr6 DT/ERE and Wednesday for Mr Morgan's Class. Your child can either come to school wearing their P.E kits, or bring their kits with them, to change into. This can consist of shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings, a t-shirt, zip up hoodie/jacket and trainers.
- Forest School - Alternative Thursday mornings with Mr Morgan starting on Thursday 10th September and Miss Thomas on Thursday 17th September. Children will need to bring into school a pair of wellies /old trainers and change of appropriate clothing to wear to the forest.

Other information

- Reading - We ask that the children bring their books to school every day please.
- Snack- Your child will be allowed to bring in a healthy snack for playtimes and a bottle of water to keep in class.
- Parent's Evening: Week commencing Monday 19th October. Details and invitations for individual classes will be sent out over the coming weeks.
- We will be holding our 'Meet the Teacher' session on Monday 14th September at 4.30pm in the Year 6 Classrooms. We will be discussing expectations for the year and important information about our weekly routine.

- Career Pathways - As part of Careers Pathways and the New Curriculum, we are looking for parents to come in and talk to children about their careers. If you are interested, please speak to your child's class teacher during 'Meet the Teacher' or email the school office.
- Instagram - We will continue to use Instagram to share your child's learning experiences and journey. If you have not yet followed us please request to do so using our handle www.pontarddulaisprimaryschool.co.uk. Please inform the class teacher of your Instagram handle to ensure your request is accepted.
- Transition events - There will be a number of Transition Events taking place in the Autumn Term and throughout the school year. More information can be found here: <https://pontcomp.co.uk/year6/>

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Authority and Influence

Why Am I Learning This?

I need to know how decisions that affect me are made, what influences these decisions and why.

I need to know that there are different influences on me and my life, some are positive and some may be harmful.

By exploring governance in Wales and comparing this to governance across the world I will be able to make informed decisions to help me in the future.

I need to know who and what influences me and the qualities I look for in these influences. By engaging in enquiries and first hand decision making I will be able to start to understand who I am and who I want to be in the future and what is important to me in my life.



Key Questions

- What is an influencer?
- What influences me?
- Who has influenced life in Wales over history?
- How are countries governed?
- Is there a perfect way to govern a country?
- What does authority look like?
- Is authority always positive?
- What would happen if we did not have a government?
- Are decisions always for the right reason?
- What would I do if I was in power?
- Who would I like to led the country?
- What would be my manifesto as Prime Minister?
- How do influences affect my identity?

Learning Journey

Humanities – Places, Human Decisions and their impact on society, Enquiries

RSE – Online influences, decision making, relationships and identity, human rights

H&WB – physical health and mental health, assessing and managing risks, rules and norms and dance.

Expressive arts – drama, singing, drumming

Sci and Tech – Scientific enquiry, computational thinking, light and sound

Maths - Place value, money, live data linked to theme statistics, 4 operations

Literacy - Oracy, reading and writing tasks linked to Authority and influence including discussion and explanation

Additional experiences

Visit to Senedd Cardiff - Tuesday 8th Sep & Visitors to school - Senedd Member visit - 14th Sep
Transition open evenings and talks - Information evening @ Pontarddulais Primary Thursday 1st October at 5pm in the gym, Open evening @ Pontarddulais Comp Wed 14th Oct (booking required) see letter from Bont comp
Cycle Proficiency Training - Either week commencing 21st Sep or 28th Sep TBC
MacMillan Coffee afternoon - October 8th 1.30pm (Donations welcomed)
Christmas Concert - Thursday 10th December 2pm



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