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Pontarddulais Primary Newsletter

Newsletter – Friday 14th November 2025

Jingle Bell Journey

'The PTFA are excited to announce that the Jingle Bell Journey will return on Wednesday 26th November 2025, enjoy the magical Christmas Trail through the school and kick off the festive season in true Christmas Spirit.

Tickets can be purchased via the link below

[Jingle Bell Journey](#)

Thank you for your continued support

Pontarddulais Primary PTFA

Estyn

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may know, our school recently underwent an Estyn inspection. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our pupils, staff, governors, and parents for their support during the inspection period. The inspection team spent time in lessons, spoke with staff and pupils, reviewed our work, and examined the many aspects of school life that contribute to our pupils' wellbeing and progress.

We are pleased to share that the inspection was a positive experience and reflected the strong sense of community and commitment within our school.

The report also highlighted areas where we can continue to develop and improve. We welcome this feedback, as ongoing improvement is central to our work.

Unfortunately, we can't go into any further detail at this moment in time but once the final report is published by Estyn, it will be available on both the Estyn website and our school website. We encourage you to read the full report when it is released around January.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to you for your continued support. Our school community is strengthened by the positive relationships we share with families, and this inspection has been a valuable opportunity to reflect on our achievements and our future direction.

If you have any questions about the inspection or the report, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Site Security and access procedures

Following our recent review of site management and security, I am pleased to inform you that the trial period of locking the school's main gates three times a day has been very successful. We have received extremely positive feedback from parents, staff, and pupils regarding the improvements this has brought to the safety and organisation of our site.

As a result of this positive evaluation, we will now be extending this practice further. From Wednesday 12th November, the main gates will be locked at the start of the school day and will remain locked for the duration of the day.

Anyone wishing to enter the school premises during the day will need to follow our existing procedure by phoning the school office on 01792 882383, and a member of staff will open the gate for you.

We appreciate your continued cooperation and understanding as we put these measures in place. The safety and security of our pupils remain our highest priority, and these steps help us maintain a secure environment where every child can learn and thrive.

CAMHS Workshop

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for the positive response to our upcoming 4-week Parent/Carer Workshop Programme covering Emotional Regulation, Big Emotions (Anger & Worries), Self Esteem & Resilience, which is being run by CAMHS, and begins on Wednesday 19th November. After looking at all the responses and questions, we would like to inform you of how the session will be run:

The first session will start at 2pm on Wednesday 19th November and continue on Wednesday 26th November, Wednesday 10th December and finish on Wednesday 17th December.

The sessions will take place in the Oasis Room, which is located at the bottom of the ramp in the middle of the school. Please arrive at the school gates at 1.55pm and call the office, so a member of staff can let you onto the site. You will then need to sign in using our digital check-in screen in the main school office, before making your way to the Oasis Room, so we have a record in case of an emergency. I will be at the school office to guide any parents who are unsure where to go.

Parents will not have access to the main school building and there are no toilets that are suitable for adults in the Oasis Room.

No children are to be brought to the workshop, including babies and pre-school children.

No cars will be allowed into the school carpark, either for dropping off or parking.

The sessions will end at roughly 3pm, where parents will be asked to sign out before collecting their children from their usual door at the usual time of 3.20.

It's not too late to sign up; please click on the link below to sign up if you haven't already.

<https://forms.office.com/e/SqXXwjLepm>

Many thanks,

Mr Wilson

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Football

Forest United have started a new football team for U8s. Training is every Wednesday at Hendy Park at 6pm on the all weather pitch. For all those interested, please phone Stuart on 07877182155

Diary Dates and upcoming events.

Dates for your diary:

26th November. PTFA – Jingle Bell Journey

7th December Choir Christmas Carol Concert – Hope Chapel

8th December. Nursery Christmas Concert 09:30 & 14:25

8th December. Reception Christmas Concert 13:15

9th December Y1 and Y2 Christmas Concert 09:30

9th December Y4 Christmas Concert 13:15

10th December Y1 and Y2 Christmas Concert 09:30

10th December Y5 and Y6 Christmas Concert 13:30

11th December Y3 Christmas Concert 09:30

11th December Y5 and Y6 Christmas Concert 13:30

19th December. Last Day of Term

Thank you all for your continued support.

Mr G Davies

Headteacher.