

TREMAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL JUNE and JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER: CYLCH LYTHYR

New admin email address

Please note that the admin email address is now <u>admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru</u>. *Please remember to state your child's full name and class in your email.*

Values Education

Here at Tremains Primary School, we believe the ethos of the school should be built upon mutual respect of each other. To promote this, our school endorses core values each month. Each month a pupil from each class will be selected as 'Value Champion' and receive a certificate for their efforts.

Our values 2023-2024

September: Selflessness October: Respect November: Commitment December: Ambition January: Determination February: Inquisitive March: Trust April: High Standards May: Confidence June: Kindness

July: Creativity





Matilda Warot from 4KM Reception has is our Values Champion for June as she consistently shows kindness to others.

Congratulations Matilda!

Sports Day 2023

We all enjoyed Sports Day, especially the welly wanging!

We think it was one of the best days ever!

By Osian and Jesse



Big Bocs Bwyd.

An invaluable community resource.

Please bring your own reusable shopping bag and choose a variety of groceries to feed your family for £5.00. Cash or card.

We are delighted to share that we now have a card machine and although we have had a few initial problems the card machine will be available in September.

- You will find a variety of fresh fruit and vegetables available every week as well as frozen and tinned products.
- Bring your children along to choose something for tea!
- This is a great way of encouraging your children to try new foods and develop cookery skills as they help you prepare the evening meal.



Over the past few weeks, we have had fresh prawns, chicken, microwave meals, cakes, breads, fresh fruit juices, fresh cream, butter and a range of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Big Bocs Bwyd will close on Wednesday 19th July and reopen again in September.

Opening times 8:00 am – 9:00 am and 2:15 pm-3:00 pm.

Many thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers who have taken up the challenge

to ensure Big Bocs Bwyd at Tremains Primary is successful.

Every time you visit Big Bocs Bwyd you are helping to reduce food waste.

If you have an hour a week to spare and would you like to help us in the Big Bocs Bwyd.

Please contact Mrs McDonald on 01656 815900.

Nursery



Nursery have been practising Sun Safety – they have been learning to apply their suncream and have been encouraged to wear sun hats and have lots of drinks to remain hydrated!

Our Nursery have loved practising for Sport's day and were all so well-behaved on the field- they have made all of their teachers very proud!

The Nursery children enjoyed their visit from FalconryUK and were super excited to meet and hold various birds!



Nursery are learning the different ways to be healthy- this has involved tasting healthy foods, taking part in yoga, Hey Duggee workouts and being good friends to each other!



Criw Cymraeg

Criw Cymraeg would like to share this information with you all- we are working really hard to achieve the Bronze award for Cymraeg Campus, which will support us in our use of the Welsh language!







School Savings Club – Every Thursday

We were delighted to hold two assemblies at Tremains Primary School recently and very pleased with the interest shown by children and staff. Following this, we are re-launching the weekly savings club.

Money management is an important life skill, and through the scheme, it is hoped that your child will learn the importance of looking after money and saving regularly.

The school will run the Savings Club with the help of the children every **Thursday**. They can save as much or as little as they want; it all adds up. The money can be withdrawn by completing a withdrawal request online, by contacting the credit union directly, or by bringing a form along to the Savings Club. Your child will receive their own Savings Book, one of our new Eco Piggy Banks, and a plastic wallet.

What is a Credit Union?

A Credit Union is a not-for-profit co-operative – which means they are owned and controlled by its members. Credit Unions are regulated in the same way as banks, so your money is protected, and any savings will be eligible for an annual dividend (or 'interest' payment).

Bridgend Lifesavers has been serving the community since 2003 and is committed to supporting *every* member across Bridgend County. We already run a number of successful school savings schemes and look forward to continuing our partnership with Tremains.

What do I need to do next?

Your child can join anytime by bringing a completed application form to school or filling in a membership form online at <u>www.bridgendschoolsavings.com</u>. Once completed, your child will receive a plastic wallet, paying-in book, and piggy bank and can start saving straight away.

If your child is already a member, there is no need to do an application; they can bring savings in, and we'll carry forward any balance and provide them with a new paying-in book, pig, and wallet. We look forward to meeting both our old and our new savers over the next few weeks!

Yours sincerely,

Damian Faulkner School Partnerships



Reading for Pleasure

Over the summer holidays please encourage your child to continue to develop their reading skills and foster a love of reading for pleasure.



Take part in the Summer Reading Challenge.

Choose a book together and then read to your child, discuss and let them just enjoy listening!



Vísít the líbrary.



Listen to e-books together.

Year 2



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Sports Day

Year 2 Trip





Rock Pooling!





We went rock pooling, and it was amazing! We saw lots of creatures and got messy!

By Emily-Rose and Joe

<u>Year 4</u>

In Year 4, we have been active campaigners, writing persuasive speeches about the negative impact of artificial grass on our local bee population! So We are hoping that lots of people in Brackla will choose natural grass. If you have artificial grass in your gardens, we are hoping that you will think about making sure that you have some flowers too so that you can help our beautiful bees!

In Year 4, we have also been learning about Georgia O'Keeffe...an artist who became famous for her close-up flower paintings. Inspired by O'Keeffe, we have been exploring digital photography in nature. We were lucky to have the lovely Sarah Jones from 'Unique You' to work with us with 'real cameras!' to take some fantastic photographs! We will be displaying some of our finished photos soon...online and at school. Watch this space!

















Year 5

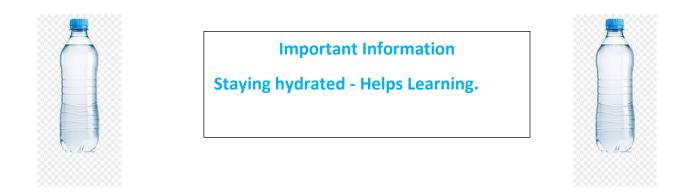
This month in Year 5 all pupils took part in sports day. We each did 3 events; sprint, javelin, and an obstacle relay. Everyone enjoyed. Glyndwr came first, Caradog came second and Llewelyn came third. We all showed good sportsmanship and supported our peers. We are now enjoying the practise for our festival of sport. We have been supporting younger year groups with how to play the games; end ball, capture the flag and rounders.

A few of us took part in the Brynteg Rugby Festival, Year 5 were Tremains B, we ended up coming second over all and beating the Year 6 team.

We went to a festival in March called Music For Youth with the orchestra and choir. Because of our great performance we have been invited to Birmingham Symphony Hall to perform again. We are busy rehearsing 'Don't Stop Believing' and 'Shotgun'. We practise every Thursday.

We have been doing challenges independently, these challenges are fun and creative. We have done some challenges related to healthy eating, maths fluency and we are finding out all about plastic pollution and it's impact.

Ania, Bella, Dexter, Mason G, George W, Lyla and Esmee.



In readiness for the next academic year, the Healthy Schools team would like to remind children that it is important to stay hydrated.

Please bring a bottle containing water to school every day.

PRIME hydration drinks and PRIME bottles are not permitted.

Thank you for your continued support with this matter.

YEAR 5

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The Day We Went To Birmingham......!

Following our performance at the Regional Festival in Porthcawl, we were invited to the National Festival for Music For Youth On Friday 7th July. It was an amazing day where we sang and played in Birmingham Symphony Hall – the opportunity of a lifetime! Thank you to the staff at Bridgend Music Service for all their support.









Llongyfarchiadau - Congratulations to Oliver Holman who has been selected to play rugby for Bridgend District Schools.

Reception

'Ar Lan y Mor' Art Project

Reception children are working together to create a 'Seaside art project. They have planned to make 2D and 3D models to add to the scene. They are thinking about being creative - the Value for July.

Their ideas and suggestions have been amazing. The children will be demonstrating their skills in design, cutting out, sticking, assembling, colouring, organising. They have agreed that, when they put all of their ideas together they cannot fail to have an excellent result.

The children will be learning new Welsh vocabulary that they can share, with their parents and families, the next time they are at the seaside.



Lily, Grayson and Mia chose the colour for the sky.

They are thinking about how to make 3D clouds!!

Sebastian and Matilda couldn't find any green paint so they experimented with colour mixing – blue and yellow – adding a bit here and a bit there until they had the right shade.

Careful wavy lines were best to create the waves.





Kai and Kylo worked out how to keep the sand on the canvas.

Penny and Archie are adding the final touches to the sand.

A messy job!

but

Great fun!



Lots more work to do to complete the masterpiece!

<u>Year 1</u>

Look at us!



As a celebration of their bee topic, the children in Year One dressed as bees for the day. They also took part in a bee parade to promote the importance of protecting bees. They made posters and visited children in other parts of the school. Look out for some of their fantastic posters placed near Big Bocs Bwyd!



Our Criw Cymraeg would like everybody to celebrate the fact that our school have gained the Bronze Award for Cymraeg Campus– "Da iawn pawb! Well done everybody!" We will begin the journey towards our Silver Award next year!

<u>NURSERY</u>



Nursery loved having a picnic outside with the bigger children!





Year 2



We had a good time at the picnic. It was fun! By Brogan, Isaac S and Joe



A pirate came to tell stories! We had an amazing time!

By Josh and Scarlett

Year 3

Big Bocs Bwyd

Year 3 children have had a lovely time putting all their new money skills to good use in the Big Bocs Bwyd. They practised adding different values as they chose healthy options from the tinned foods. They then gave change from £2 coin.



<u>Year 3</u>

Dojo Reward

After reaching their Dojo target, the children enjoyed their reward 'Have a laugh with a giraffe!' They took part in assorted giraffe activities and thoroughly enjoyed.

Year 3 - Sports Day

What a wonderful day watching our talented children taking part in sports day. They practised the events beforehand and competed like true athletes, congratulating each other on the successes and managing their disappointments when things didn't go their way. They are becoming mature and resilient...and fast!

4KM/NH getting ready for Sports Day 2023.



Sports Day 2023

Many thanks to all parents/carers who supported our annual Sports Day. The day was a huge success with all children demonstrating their sportsmanship, courage and determination. Well done to all that participated and to the staff for preparing the children for their events and organising the day.

Returning to School in September

As the school year ends, we are noticing that many children are not wearing school uniform and that their clothing is inappropriate for school.

We would ask all parents to ensure that all children arrive at school dressed appropriately in school uniform.

<u>Uniform Grant – This grant is available for families eligible for free school meals. Please contact the</u> <u>school admin team for further information.</u>

Reception – Making maps of Brackla.



Transition

All children have had the opportunity to spend a morning with their new class teacher in their new classroom.

For some children, this is a huge change. Year 1 children are moving to Year 2 within the Lower School building. During the morning, they were able to have a tour of the building, spend time in their new classroom and experience the new playground.

Year 6 have visited their comprehensive schools and had taster lessons with the comprehensive school staff.

Parents and carers can help support a smooth transition to the new year group by talking about the changes with their children during the summer break.

If your child is worried about the changes, please advise your child's class teacher early in the Autumn Term and arrangements will be made to support them.

HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER HOLIDAY.

Just a final message to thank our school community, children, parents/carers, teachers and governors, for their commitment to making our school a success.

As the academic year draws to an end, it is a time to reflect on the many success stories of the year. We have been proud of the way our children have performed in concerts, represented the school in music and sports events, led the joint parent/carer events and the links we are developing with the community. Well done!

The newsletters are an opportunity to celebrate these successes, share experiences that our children have had, support and engage with families to support the curriculum as well as provide information and updates.

We welcome your suggestions on ways to communicate with you and about additional information you would like to see in the newsletters. We would love to hear from you - please email <u>admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru</u>

Have a wonderful summer break – stay safe and enjoy. We look forward to seeing everyone in September.

Future Events for Your Diary: Am eich



19th July 24th July Year 6 Leavers' Party

Teacher Training Day

Monday 4th September 2023 INSET DAY

More information to follow on the above events, please watch this space!

(All events are subject to change but we will endeavour to inform parents accordingly)

This School Year

2022/23 Term dates

Summer Term

End: For children – Friday, 21st July 2023

End: Monday 24 July 2023 – INSET Day

2023/24 Term Dates

Autumn Term Start: Monday 4 September 2023 INSET DAY Half Term: Monday 30 October 2023 – Friday 3 November 2023 End: Friday 22 December 2023

Spring Term

Start: Monday 8 January 2024
Half-term: Monday 12 February 2024 –
Friday 16 February 2024
End: Friday 22 March 2024

Summer Term Start: Monday 8 April 2024 Half-term: Monday 27 May 2024 – Friday 31 May 2024 End: Monday 22 July 2024

Simply After School

Simply out of School is open and running from the Infant school hall for after school childcare Monday to Friday.

Open to all children from nursery to year 6. Fully CIW registered so all means of funding are accepted.

Open until 5.30pm starting at just £10.50. Varied activities, and food and drinks included.

Emergency, adhoc and set day bookings welcome.

Message <u>fionna@simplyoutofschool.co.uk</u> for more information and to book a free trial session.