



TREMAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2023

NEWSLETTER: CYLCH LYTHYR

New admin email address

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

Donations wanted!

We would be grateful to have donations of school uniform for pupils aged between 8-10 years. ie joggers, school trousers, school T-shirts and sweatshirts. Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to help, you can send them into the junior admin office or your child can give them to their class teacher. Diolch.



Christmas
Jumpers



Christmas is fast approaching and as usual we will be inviting pupils to wear Christmas Jumpers for our Christmas lunch and during the festive period.

If you would like to donate any Christmas jumpers that your child has grown out of we will be happy to distribute them to other families.

Please send your donations into school with your child or you can drop them off at the admin office in either building. Thank you in anticipation of your support and helping to reduce clothing waste.

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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

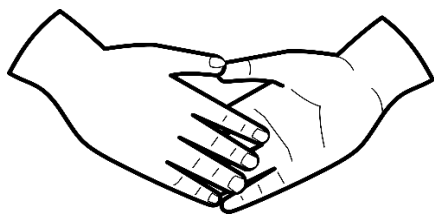
June: Kindness

July: Creativity



As we leave October and we go into November – our focus is on **Commitment**.

Offer a helping hand.



Some suggestions for helping your child are listed below.

- Getting your child involved in daily household chores.
- Supporting your child to take care of a pet.
- Involving your child in a household project ie. in the garden, by decorating.
- Giving your child an opportunity to learn an instrument.
- Learning a new game that is tricky ie. Chess
- Supporting them to manage their time well.
- Encouraging patience with siblings

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Staying Hydrated



It's incredibly important to stay hydrated throughout the school day but...

DID YOU KNOW? As well as causing tooth decay, squash drinks can cause a type of tooth wear called acid erosion. Most fruit flavoured drinks are acidic and so can soften the enamel and dentine in teeth so that they wear away.

It is better to drink a whole glass of squash with a meal, rather than sipping throughout the day, which is why we **only encourage water in water bottles for use during the school day.**

Thank you all for your support.



Big Bocs Bwyd

We would be very pleased to accept donations of pantry items i.e. tins, packets or jars for Big Bocs Bwyd. If you are able to support us with a donation, please drop them off at Big Bocs Bwyd or they can be taken to the admin office in each department.

Diolch yn fawr.

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Tremains Rangers



Tremains Rangers have been busy collecting seeds from our wildflower patches around the school. They now have seeds ready to grow sunflowers, cosmos, daisies and marigolds next spring.

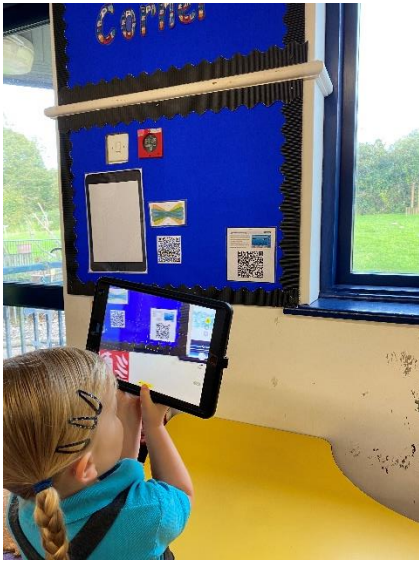


We were so pleased to see how many children in Reception and Year One who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge at our local libraries this year. Well done!

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Reception Children

Reception children are learning how to take an image of their work and upload the image onto their own Seesaw account. Please take time to discuss the images that you see. Your children will be able to explain all about their learning.



Lucy is able to scan a QR code to access her Seesaw account. Now that she is confident – she is helping her peers. Da iawn.



Tommee-Lee is watching carefully so that he is able to do the same. Tommee-Lee has been encouraged to ask Lucy questions if he is now sure. Da iawn pawb!

Autumn Activities in Reception



Griff and Ava are very proud of their artwork using natural resources.



Gwen, Momo, William and Oliver enjoyed exploring Autumn resources.

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Safe Access to School

We would appreciate your co-operation to ensure that, when parking outside of the school at both drop off and pick up times, you park considerately to local residents. Parking outside of our school is being monitored by the community police on a regular basis.

When accessing the school site, please ensure that you keep safe by adhering to the designated safe route. Pedestrians are not permitted to use the driveway, car parks and grassed areas.

Thank you for your co-operation, setting a good example to your children and ensuring that everyone is safe.



Breakfast Club

There are spaces available in our Breakfast Club. Please contact the school office for further information.



Reminder – Vehicular access onto the school site is not permitted for parents/carers dropping off at Breakfast Club.

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Year 3 have been busy!

Year 3 have been busy this month. In Science we have been practising our numeracy skills and measuring our height and the size of our feet. Stinky!

In Maths we are beginning our addition and subtraction and have had a great time using the practical resources. We are continuing to learn our 2-, 5- and 10-times tables; Percy Parker is helping with his great YouTube songs.

October was Black History Awareness Month. We have been reading stories and working on tasks linked to the books, our favourite was 'My Hair' written by Hannah Lee.

We have been continuing our work on internet safety and have been practising signing into HWB using our own passwords.

We also took part in Sports Direct's Big Monster Kick About. We had a set of new footballs and bibs, we enjoyed taking part in a football themed lesson and are now enjoying using the balls on the yard. Thank you Sports Direct!



Year 1

Autumn is here and we have been making the most of the falling leaves in our amazing outdoor learning area. So much to learn in the wonderful outdoors.



Our Class Pet – Rambo the Bearded Dragon.

The children have given Rambo a warm welcome and are learning all about how to care for her.



We would really appreciate donations of unwanted/ outgrown welly boots please. We need size 10 up to size 1.



If you do have any to donate, please drop them off at the blue door of the infant building.

Thank you.

Years 4 and 5

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We had a fantastic morning on 12th October when, with our parents and carers, we made timelines of our lives!



PC Matt has been in to visit us all too.

Year 4 learned about stranger danger and **Year 5** discussed internet safety.

Pupils in P3 with their Summer Reading Challenge certificates from Bridgend Library – Da iawn, pawb!



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Please find below a list of useful contact details.

Childline - 0800 1111 - Information and advice to guide and support you about anything that is on your mind.

Child Exploitation and Online Protection - <https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/> Protection advice if worried about online abuse or want to report.

ChatHealth - 07520 615718 - Text service to the School Nurse Service.

Early Help - Offers services to support children, young adults and their families. 01656 815420 or email earlyhelp@bridgend.gov.uk

MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) - A single point of contact for all safeguarding concerns about vulnerable children: on 01656 642320, adults on 01656 642477 or email mashcentra@bridgend.gov.uk

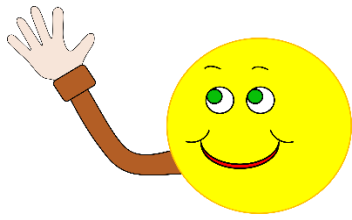
NSPCC - 0808 800 5000 - Supports and protects children and helps prevent any type of abuse.

Police.uk - 999 for emergencies or 101 for non-emergencies - Use to report an emergency or to seek advice/services for those affected by crime.

Samaritans - Call **116123** for free or email jo@samaritans.org Support for whatever you are going through.

Young Minds - Text **YM to 85258** or visit youngminds.org.uk Free 24/7 text support for young people experiencing mental health/wellbeing issues.

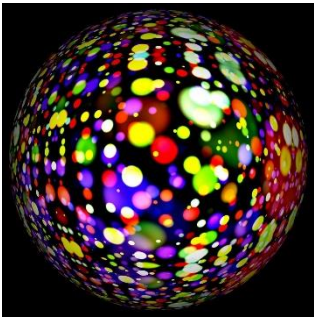
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Sorry that you are leaving us!

We are sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Delia Taylor and Mrs Karen Mercer who left us at half term. Both members of staff have worked in Tremains Primary for many years and will be missed by both the staff and children.

We wish them good health and luck for the future.



October Disco – Thank you

Our recent disco raised **£438.83**. These funds will help secure new playground equipment for pupils in every year group.

Thank you for your support.



Future Events for Your Diary: Am eich Dyddiadur

INSET Days

22nd December 2023
19th February 2024
3rd June 2024
22nd July 2024

Disco Dates

Monday, 18th December 2023
Tuesday, 5th March 2024
Tuesday, 21st May 2024
Tuesday, 16th July 2024

Other Events

Children in Need
Parental Engagement for Reception classes

Breakfast with Santa for Nursery, Reception,
Observation Classes 7 and 8 and Year 1

Friday 17th November

3SS on **20th November** and
4RK/KM on **23rd November**

12th December (Letter to follow)

Christmas Concerts

Observation classes	14 th December 2:00 pm
Reception	14 th December 10:30 am and 15 th December 9:30 am
Year 1	14 th December 9:30 am and 15 th December 10:30 am
Year 2	12 th December 10:30 am and 13 th December 9:30 am
Year 3	12 th December 9:30 am and 13 th December 2:00 pm
Year 4	12 th December 2:00 pm and 14 th December 11:30 am
Year 5/6	19 th December at 6:00 pm being held at Archbishop McGrath Comprehensive School

This School Year

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 **INSET DAY**

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 **INSET DAY**