



# TREMAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

## JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2024

### NEWSLETTER: CYLCH LYTHYR

## New admin email address

Please note that the admin email address is now [admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru](mailto:admin@tremainsps.bridgend.cymru). **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



## Reception Classes

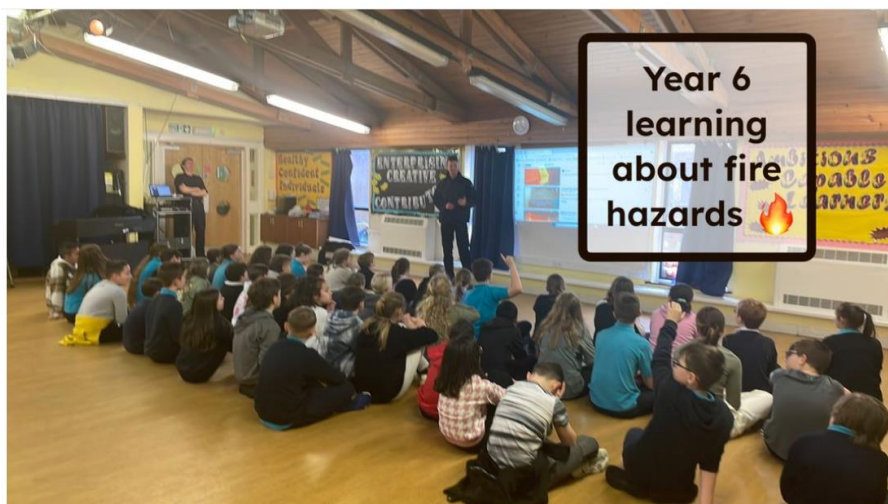
Reception classes started their new topic ,  
'Over the Hills and Everywhere ' and  
enjoyed their messy play session.

They had a lot of fun exploring and getting  
messy!



## Year 6

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, Year 6 received a visit from the local fire officers. They spoke about fire safety in our homes and the children learnt about what to do in the unlikely event of a fire. They also learnt about the importance of having working smoke detectors fitted in our homes. You can contact your local fire officers who will come and install these free of charge.



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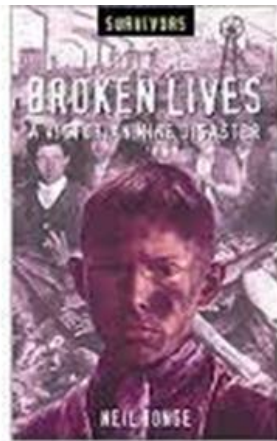
## Year 4 and Year 5

All the children in Year 4 and 5 have now completed their swimming module and received their certificates. They all did a fantastic job and we are extremely proud of their effort and achievement.



## Coal Mining

We are continuing to learn about Coal Mining in our lessons and the children have been reading our class novel, 'Broken Lives'.



We are looking forward to the coming weeks where we will be celebrating St David's Day, World Book Day and our trip to Big Pit.



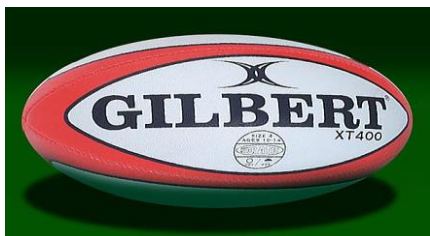


## JH and 8JW/KM

The children in 7JH and 8JWKM thoroughly enjoyed participating in a bear hunt themed dance and movement session. This was provided by a dance teacher- Zack Franks, who came and delivered a fantastic lesson. The children followed different movements and explored lots of different props.



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## Year 5/6 Rugby

On a wet and muddy Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January our Year 5 and 6 rugby team played a home game against Cefn Cribwr. Cefn Cribwr, fielding an experienced, mostly year 6 side, started strong and fast, scoring a try from the kick off. Tremains, fielding mainly a young, year 5 time, struggled to contain the pressure from Cefn in the first 15 minutes, conceding another 3 before half time. In the second half, youth began to favour Tremains, who dug in deep to fight for possession. A lovely break through a tiring Cefn defence, saw Morgan Thomas in open space, crossing over the try line for a fantastic individual effort. This put a spring in Tremains' step, and they started playing cohesively, passing the ball through the hands. Tremains managed to score again, bringing the game closer. Alas, Cefn found their second wind and scored another brace of tries through powerful running. Drawing the game to a close was what would have been the try of the game, by Logan Diamond, if it wasn't for a superb, last ditch cover tackle by the Cefn Winger who just managed to get Logan Diamond into touch before he grounded the ball over the try line. Cefn Cribwr came away deserved winners after a strong and powerful display of direct rugby.

MOTM goes to Archie Williams for his positive attitude, keeping his head up high when the game was against him.

### Class 14TM



14TM have been delving into all things garden bird related during this Term's topic 'Park Life'. Once the weather starts to pick up in early Spring, we will be venturing out into the local woodland to conduct observations and take part in some bird spotting sessions. I have my fingers crossed that we will see the Greater Spotted Woodpecker and the Green Woodpecker who reside there.

We will also be holding a parental engagement session in the next coming weeks where parents will be invited into class to make a bird feeder with their child. We will then place these bird feeders around the school site and monitor any activity they may have.



## **BLWYDDYN 4 a 5**

Our new topic is 'Rumbles and Roars'.

We visited Parc Slip on 12<sup>th</sup> January and became history detectives for the morning. We spotted dates on wooden posts, a wooden statue and a monument. Putting the clues together, we found out that Parc Slip was the site of a coal mine where, in 1892, an explosion killed 112 miners. We are now going to investigate what life would have been like for a miner living in South Wales.



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Year 1.



We had a wonderful morning exploring Caerphilly Castle in readiness to start our new Spring Term topic.



We thoroughly enjoyed tasting pancakes in February.

### **Request for Donation**

During wet weather and messy activities we are often in need of trousers or joggers for our children to change into.

We would be extremely grateful for donations of trousers or joggers for our pupils across the school. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

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## Future Events for Your Diary: Am eich

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#### INSET Days

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024

3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 **Please note that this date has been changed to 2<sup>nd</sup> May. This is due to the school being designated a polling station.**

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

#### Disco Dates

**Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

**Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

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

### 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 **Currently has places available.**

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. Varied activities, and food and drinks included.

Emergency, adhoc and set day bookings welcome.

Message [fionna@simplyoutofschool.co.uk](mailto:fionna@simplyoutofschool.co.uk) or [Jane@simplyoutofschool.co.uk](mailto:Jane@simplyoutofschool.co.uk) for more information