



"Roots to Grow,

Wings to Fly"



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Dear Parents and Governors,



Children in Need

The children looked fantastic in their fancy dress costumes today. There were also some very interesting costumes modelled by the staff! At the time of writing, the donations are still coming in. We will text all parents with the final total. Thank you for all your support.

Attendance prize

One of the school's suppliers has kindly donated a brand new tablet for us to use as a reward for excellent attendance. Any achieving 95%+ attendance for the rest of the school year will names placed into a raffle draw for the tablet!

In addition, the manager of 'Jump' has donated some family reward children for excellent attendance. These were drawn in assembly today – many congratulations to the winners.



Samsung
child
have their

tickets to

Parents Evening

Thank you to all those who attended parents' evening last week, we hope that you are all pleased with your child's progress so far this term.

Mr Chin has organised for parents of children in his class to meet with him next Monday evening, these meetings will be held at the same times provided originally.

We have rearranged the date for parents of children in Mrs John's class for Monday 24th November. Additional letters will be sent home with the children today.



PTA news

The PTA have organised a clothes recycling collection to be held on Thursday 20th November. From baby wear to teenage hand me downs to granddad's shoes! All items of clothing and accessories are welcome. All they ask is that they are clean and in good condition. Any bags of unwanted clothes can be brought to school from next Monday.

Parent Discussion Group

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 20th from 6.30pm. All parents and carers are very welcome to join the group which meets termly to discuss a range of topics.

School Council news

This week, the school council visited the Senedd to take part in a debate and to see how decisions are made by Welsh Government. The debate was about children being allowed to buy energy drinks and the councillors came up with some very sensible proposals.



Techniquet visit

Want to help the school? Email pta@coedglasprimary.co.uk

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TECHNIQUEST

Year 1 children enjoyed their visit from Techniquest this week. The visit was to help the children to learn more about their science project 'Light and Dark'. They took part in activities about shadows, reflective clothing and even learnt about star constellations.

NIAC visit

Year 3 visited the National Indoor Athletics Arena on Wednesday. They took part in a range of sporting and physical activities throughout the day and came back to school looking exhausted! Many thanks to all of the parents who came to support the children.

Mr Andrews

Our caretaker, Mr Andrews, will be off work for the foreseeable future following a knee operation. We all send our best wishes for a speedy recovery. In the meantime, Mr Ashford will be taking over the caretaking responsibilities.

Twitter accounts

To stay up to date with the latest news and events from the school, please 'follow' @coedglas on Twitter. Many of your children's classes are also using Twitter to let you know their latest news.



Attendance



Our overall figure for this academic year is **95.2%** - thank you for all your support. Attendance rates are a key indicator in the success of children in school and I am delighted that there has been such an improvement. This year we aim to continue to improve attendance rates and achieve 95% by next July – with your help and support I am sure that this can be achieved.

Car safety

Please ensure that cars are not parked on the zig zag lines at the front of the school. Also, the car park is designated for members of staff only and should not be used by parents before or after school.

At the back of the school, please ensure that cars do not obstruct the pavements as this is causing significant difficulties for children and parents entering and exiting the school gates.

Finally, please be considerate of our neighbours and ensure that cars do not obstruct any driveways. Thank you.



INSET days 2014-15

Friday 28th November

Monday 5th January 2015

Diary dates

November

Friday 21 st	Pete Hodge to assembly
Monday 24 th	PC Hughes to Year 6
Tuesday 25 th	'Catch up' violin lesson
Wednesday 26 th	Black Mountain falconry to reception
Friday 28 th	INSET day

December

Monday 1 st	Reception classes Christmas concert
Tuesday 2 nd	Year 1 classes Christmas concert
Wednesday 3 rd	Year 2 classes Christmas concert Choir to Llanishen village
Thursday 4 th	Year 3 classes Christmas concert Governing Body meeting
Friday 5 th	Year 4 classes Christmas concert
Friday 12 th	Save the Children 'Christmas jumper day' Christmas Fair
Wednesday 17 th	Magician and Christmas party Foundation Phase

Thursday 18th
Friday 19th

Key Stage 2 Christmas party
Last day of term

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Mr Hart