



Coed Glas Primary School
Ysgol Gynradd Coed Glas
'Roots to grow, wings to fly'

Ty Glas Avenue,
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Newsletter Number 13 – 2013-14
Dear Parents and Governors,

Friday 21st March 2014



Attendance

Our attendance rate is currently **94.8%** - thank you for all your support. Attendance rates are a key indicator in the success of a school and I am delighted that there has been such an improvement so far this year. Our school has one of the highest improvement rates for attendance in Cardiff.

Please continue to ensure that your child attends school every day and remember that holidays during term time are no longer authorised.

May I also remind parents and carers that school begins at 8.55 am, a number of children are arriving to school after 8.55 causing significant disruption to the children's learning.

Sport Relief. Thank you for all your support with Sport Relief today. The school raised £224.94 which will be sent this evening. We have also contacted the BBC and hope that the school may be mentioned this evening.



Mobile phones

Please may I remind parents that mobile phones are not permitted in school. This ensures that valuable items are not lost in school. If, in exceptional circumstances, you need your child to bring a mobile phone to school, please contact Mr Hart to make the arrangements.

LHS Eisteddfod

Congratulations to the children who took part in Llanishen High School's Eisteddfod last week. The standard of the performances was very high and the whole evening was enjoyed by both the children on stage and the parents in the audience. Thank you to Mrs Hatfield and Mrs Young for their help in preparing the children for their performances.



Sherman Dance

Last Tuesday evening, children from Coed Glas joined schools from Cardiff and the Vale at the Sherman Theatre to perform a variety of dances in front of a packed audience. Many congratulations to the children who had worked so hard in preparing for the evening. Again, the standard was very high with children from Coed Glas dancing with confidence, quality and enjoyment. Thank you also to Miss Darker for her work as the choreographer.

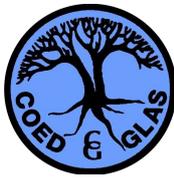


Sports news. On Tuesday this week, the rugby team travelled to Lancashire to play in a sevens tournament at Stonyhurst College. Coed Glas were the only representatives from Wales resulting in every game becoming an international match! The children played extremely well against some very accomplished teams. During the group stages the team won three out their four matches and went forward as runners up into the semi finals. They

performed very well in their semi final match, eventually losing in a closely fought contest. Thank you to Mr Charles for organising the visit.

Year 6 evacuation

On Wednesday this week, children in Year 6 went back in time to learn what it would have been like for an evacuee during the Second World War. As part of the experience they had a short train ride from Llanishen train station and were met in Cardiff by members of the local history society. It was particularly pleasing to hear that members of the public commented on how well behaved the children were.



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Julie Morgan

Last week, Julie Morgan visited the school to meet with the school council. The council gave a short presentation explaining their work in school and their plans for the future. Mrs Morgan was very impressed by the children's ideas and enthusiasm and hope to be able to organise a visit to the Senedd next term.

School council to Commonwealth workshop

This week, members of the School Council joined councillors from a number of Cardiff schools at Ysgol Mynydd Buchan to take part in a Commonwealth workshop. The event was organised by members of the British Council who explained that the children would be taking part in a competition to design a baton for the Commonwealth games. These batons will be sent to the national embassies in London with messages from the children. Good luck to all the children taking part.

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.



School closure days Friday 23rd May, Monday 21st July

Diary Dates

March

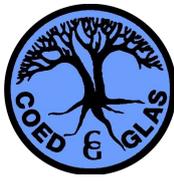
Wednesday 26th School partially closed due to industrial action
Friday 28th Earth day
Saturday 29th PTA family gardening morning

April

Tuesday 1st Police liaison to visit Year 6
Thursday 3rd Football match v Thornhill Primary
Friday 4th 'Easter Cracked' at Llanishen Baptist Church
Year 2 'Happiness tea party'
Monday 7th Parents evening
Tuesday 8th Parents evening
Wednesday 9th PTA Easter treasure hunt
Thursday 10th Easter bonnet parade for Foundation Phase children
PTA Easter raffle
Friday 11th Memorial for Amman
Decorated egg competition for Key Stage 2 children.
Monday 14th – Friday 25th Easter holiday
Tuesday 29th Class and team photographs

May

Monday 5th Bank holiday
Wednesday 7th – Tuesday 13th National tests



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Tuesday 13 th	Miss Davies' class assembly
Thursday 15 th	Foundation Phase sports day
Friday 16 th	Key Stage 2 sports day
Saturday 17 th	PTA summer fair
Monday 19 th – Wednesday 21 st	Year 6 to Llangrannog
Tuesday 20 th	Miss Drew's class assembly
Friday 23 rd	INSET day

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