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Dear Parents and Governors, 'Fresh Start' Breakfast Club

We are all looking forward to the opening of our 'Fresh Start' Breakfast Club on Monday. Thank you for returning all of the consent and medical forms to school. The club will open at 8.15 on the first day to give the children an opportunity to meet our special guest. After the first day, the club will open at 8.25.

Please remember to bring your child to the side door of the foundation phase hall (behind the nursery) and ensure that they are registered each day.



Health and fitness day

As part of the opening celebrations of the breakfast club, we have organised a health and fitness day on Monday. The children are able to wear their PE kits to school and we ask that they wear something blue. During the day, the children will take part in their sponsored fun run around the school grounds, enjoy some health and fitness related activities in their classrooms and meet our special guest Jamie Baulch. If you are able to help during the morning, the PTA are seeking some volunteers to help with organising the event.

Please support your child in collecting sponsors for their fun run. All sponsor money must be returned to school by Monday 9th March



School Eisteddfod

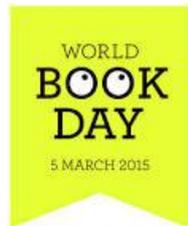
The children will be taking part in our Eisteddfod tomorrow. This will last for the full day for the older children, whilst those in foundation phase will take part during the morning only (they will continue their Welsh activities in their classrooms in the afternoon).

Children are invited to wear their own clothes in their house colours. We will be posting regular updates and photographs on our Twitter page throughout the day – these are automatically updated on the school website.

Thank you for all of your support and encouragement with the children's DT projects and with learning their lines. The children should be very proud of all their hard work, creativity and talents – we know that they will enjoy a very special day tomorrow.



World Book Day



It is a very busy few weeks in Coed Glas! On Thursday 5th March the children will be joining schools around the world in promoting and developing a love of reading. The children are invited to come to school dressed as a favourite character from a book and will be taking part in special reading activities in their classrooms.

The children are also invited to take part in a 'book swap' with their class friends. With parents' permission, the children may bring in a book that they have read and swap it with a friend in their class.

Finally, the children will all be given a voucher towards buying their own book at one of the major book shops. Look out for the staff fancy dress costumes – they will be dressing up as a character from a Roald Dahl book!

National Tests

We have been advised that this year's national literacy and numeracy tests will be between 6th – 12th May.

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

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Attendance

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

In addition, the manager of 'Jump' donated some family tickets to reward children for excellent attendance.

Cycling proficiency arrangements

Over the next two weeks, children in Year 6 will be taking part in their cycling proficiency lessons and tests.

This is a very important opportunity for the children to learn their bike safety skills with experts. Please ensure that their bikes are in safe working order (tyres pumped up, brakes working well, seat at the correct height etc.) before bringing them to school each day. They will need to bring their bike helmets to ensure their safety. Please remind the children to park their bikes in the bike shelter at the front of the school each morning.



Mrs Hatfield

I am sure that you would like to join us all in wishing Mrs Hatfield well in her last few weeks of school before she starts her maternity leave.

During Mrs Hatfield's absence, her class will be taken by Miss Imogen Lane who is currently working part time in Rhiwbina Primary School. Miss Lane will be working in the class alongside Mrs Hatfield for a number of days during March.



Read, Write Inc.

This new literacy programme is proving very popular and successful in Foundation Phase so far. We were visited by the Read, Write, Inc. consultant who was very impressed by the children's progress and their levels of engagement during their

sessions. The children were assessed before half term and we are delighted with the progress they have made. Please speak to your child's teacher or Mrs Dutfield if you would like to find out how to help your child at home with Read, Write, Inc.

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.



Diary dates

Fri 27th School Eisteddfod

March

Mon 2nd Year 6 KT/CK cycling proficiency to begin

Tues 3rd Reception to Rhydypenau Park
Mrs Seymour/Mrs Kennard's class assembly
Air Ambulance Service to visit

Thurs 5th World Book Day

Mon 9th Year 6 SN cycling proficiency to begin

Tues 10th Mrs Young/Mrs Hunt's class assembly

Wed 11th Llanishen High Eisteddfod

Thurs 12th Football tournament

Fri 13th Red Nose Day
Pete Hodge to lead assembly

Tues 17th Rags to Riches collection

Thurs 19th Full Governing Body meeting

Mon 23rd and Tues 24th Parents Evenings

Weds 25th Easter egg hunt

Fri 27th Decorated egg competition

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