

Gwenfo News



October 9th 2026

Upcoming Events

12th October onwards
Please send in **FOODBANK**
items

Wednesday 14th October
Tempest Individual Photos and
Family Photos

Thursday 15th October
Shwmae Day (Wear
red/White/green) **FREE**

Friday 16th October
Show Racism the Red Card
(wear red day) **FREE**

Friday 23RD October
Y3 Class Worship - 9am

Friday 23RD October
End of Term

HALF TERM
October 26th - 30th



We are on instagram!

- GwenfoCWPrimary
- GwenfoPTFA

This week in Gwenfo

Our value this half term is **Generosity**

We were delighted to be joined by Anne and Alina from the library who gave out summer reading challenge certificates today. If you aren't already a member please do pop to the library it is such an asset to our village and recently celebrated 10 years since the new building was opened!

This week we were visited by the school nursing team who administered the nasal flu spray to many children across the school. They managed to administer nearly 200 flu sprays in just under 90 minutes!!

Thank you to everyone for your support for Hello Yellow day! Please take a look at seesaw for pictures of the children having lots of fun!

This week Y3&4 were visited by the Foodbank who explained all about how they support families in Cardiff and the Vale. Please do send some items into school over the next 2 weeks if you can.

Coach Alex from CCFC worked with Y5&6 this week leading Anti-Racism workshops in support of our ongoing work in this area.

**THERE ARE NO CLUBS
RUNNING NEXT WEEK DUE
TO STAFF TRAINING**

YEAR 6!

The Deadline for high school applications is quickly approaching! If you haven't already done so please could this be done ASAP.

CLOSING DATE: 27TH OCTOBER

News

CONJUNCTIVITIS

We currently have conjunctivitis at school - children are able to come to school as long as they feel well.

We have asked for increased cleaning and have been washing our hands more regularly. Please help us by visiting a pharmacy/GP if you are concerned your child may have conjunctivitis.

PLASTIC MILK BOTTLES NEEDED!

We are still collecting clean, washed-out plastic milk bottles for a whole school project.

Thank you for your support!

Some of our pupil voice groups met this week for the first time. It has been wonderful to hear them starting to make plans for the school year.

ECO CLUB

Eco-Club are looking for any old plastic planting pots you might have lying around

THANK YOU!



Each year we celebrate Harvest at the end of the October half term. We have been contacted by the Foodbank asking us to concentrate our donations on the following items. As you shop for supplies over the next few weeks please consider adding some of the following items to your shopping.

We will be asking for items to be sent into school from 12th October

- Tinned Cold meat (corned beef, spam, lunch meat)
- Microwave Pasta
- UHT Juice



We have the photographer in on Wednesday to take individual and sibling photographs.

If you would like your child to have a photo with their siblings who are not members of Gwenfo. Can you please queue up from 3.30pm by the reception class entrance.

PE DAYS

12TH OCTOBER - 16TH OCTOBER

PE DAYS



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NURSERY AM	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	RECEPTION	YEAR 2
NURSERY PM	YEAR 5	YEAR 2	YEAR 1	YEAR 4
YEAR 3		YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
		YEAR 4	YEAR 6	YEAR 6

19TH OCTOBER- 23RD OCTOBER

PE DAYS



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NURSERY AM	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	N PM EXTRA SESSION	RECEPTION
NURSERY PM	YEAR 5	YEAR 2	YEAR 1	YEAR 2
YEAR 3		YEAR 3	YEAR 2	YEAR 4
YEAR 5		YEAR 4	YEAR 6	YEAR 6



PUPIL VOICE GROUPS

VALUES GROUP

**EIRA
ZACH
DARCY
LEO
POPPY T**

DIGITAL LEADERS

**CHRIS
LEONARDO
SAMARA
OLIVER M
ISABELLE D
PATRYK
HARRY W
AMELIA P**

PLAYGROUND BUDDIES

**TRISTAN
EVERLY
POPPY
HALLIE MAE
GEORGE**

RIGHTS AMBASSADORS

**ZOFIA
EVELYN H**

DIVERSITY GROUP

**HAVANA
JOVIE
MIA Y**

CRIW CYMRAEG

**REUBEN G
WILLOW
ELSIE
PENELOPE M
MAX
ZARA
HALLIE F**

ECO

**DAISY
SEREN
ARCHIE
ARABELLA
ROBYN
JUDAH
LYRA
ISABELLA
HARRISON B**

DINNERS (WEEK 3 ON BIG FRESH MENU)

MONDAY



Tomato pasta bake

TUESDAY



Beef Meatballs in Gravy or
Vegan Meatballs in Gravy

WEDNESDAY



Pork or Vegetarian Sausage,
Omelette, Beans, Tomato, Hash
Brown & Mushrooms

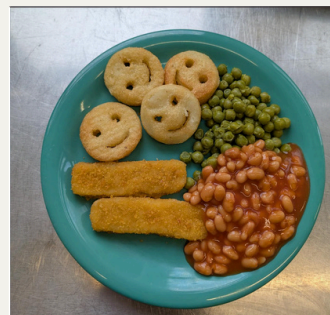
****served with pasta**

THURSDAY



Slow Cooked Beef
or Diced Quorn

FRIDAY



Harry Ramsden's Fish Fillet
or Quorn Fishless Fingers

****Served with
chipped potatoes**



**CHANGES TO
SCHOOL MEALS
FROM OCTOBER 2026**



CHANGE TO LUNCH OFFER

To help encourage uptake of hot meals, especially as we move into the Autumn/Winter season, **BAGUETTES, SANDWICHES AND WRAPS** will be removed from the lunch offer.

Big Fresh have created a new 2 week menu which pupils will be able to choose from. This will be shared as soon as we have a copy.

For children attending school trips a grab bag option can be ordered.

Decisions made by Big Fresh are to ensure they are compliant with new Welsh Government legislation.

Sadly over the summer we have discovered that our Timber Trail needs some work to ensure it remains safe for everyone.

Please help us by keeping children off it (and the field) before and after school.

Thank you!



CAN YOU HELP?



We are looking for the following items....

~~Top Trumps/Uno Cards~~

Gravel

Overhead Projector

Decorators Drop Cloth

Fish Tank

~~Wicker/Seagrass Baskets~~

Oilcloth Tablecloth

~~Mini Oven~~

~~Bread Maker~~

Electric Hob

Hats - any shape or size!

Old Pots, Pans, Colanders etc

~~Blankets~~

If you know anyone having a clear out please let us know!

AUTUMN TERM

November 13th Sparkle Silent Disco

Dec 2nd Christmas Fair

Design a Christmas Card

Christmas Raffle

SPRING TERM

January TBC Duck Race

February TBC Family Quiz Night

Easter Scavenger Hunt

SUMMER TERM

June TBC Colour Run

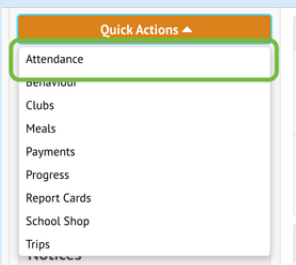
July TBC Summer Fair

ATTENDANCE

Just a little reminder the bell rings at 8.50am and once the class lead in teacher will be busy starting the morning. All late pupils who miss the bell will need to come via the office. Please be on time - children enjoy seeing their friends on the playground and lining up together.



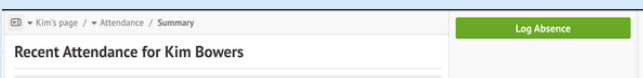
NURSERY AM	89.09%
NURSERY PM	95.38%
RECEPTION	86.4%
YEAR 1	98.75% 
YEAR 2	88.67%
YEAR 3	96.67%
YEAR 4	96.26%
YEAR 5	91.11%
YEAR 6	89.66%



You can now log a same day absence on your Parent Portal or Arbor App.

To record an absence, click on the Quick Actions button and then click Attendance

From here, click the green Log Absence button in the top-right of the page



Log Absence

Log Absence

This form lets you notify that Kim will be absent today, Tue 02 Jul 2024. If you need to record an absence for a future date, you will need to contact the school.

Student: Kim Bowers

Date: Tue, 02 Jul 2024

Absence start: 09:00

Absence end: 15:45

Reason: Please provide a reason for the absence

Cancel Log Absence

Here, you can input the start and end time for the absence and type in the reason for the absence. By default, the absence start and end times reflect the student's full day, but these can be adjusted as needed. Once you have filled in this data, click Log Absence. This will then be visible to school staff

You can also log a same day absence by calling our absence line on 02920 593225 and pressing 1.

Gwenfo Church in Wales Primary School Absence Form



For any planned absences such as unauthorised holidays or future medical appointments, please either click the link [here](#) or scan the QR code with a smartphone.

Please make sure to complete the reason for absence in the Note section.

It is really important that you let us know if your child will be absent as soon as possible.

All holidays will be unauthorised.

During the year attendance will be monitored and you may be contacted if staff have concerns over your child's attendance.



- Make sure your child's details are up to date.
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- Please check any outstanding consents on the Arbor App or Parent Portal
- Please check guardians and contacts section on Arbor and make sure these are up to date.
- Please check medical and dietary sections on Arbor, some conditions may need to be added/ updated/ removed.

Please can anyone who has not brought in a Birth Certificate for your child also bring that into the office so we can add it to you childs Arbor.

Thank You!

Anyone that has permission to collect your child regularly from school should be added to your childs contact list via the app. Please make sure the can collect box is ticked.

Office Hours

The school office is open from 8.30am-4pm daily.

Please check weekly newsletters/emails for information before contacting the school - we endeavour to send out all information in a timely manner.

All families should have a copy of our year planner.

Please note we will always try to respond to phone calls or emails as quickly as possible but at busy times we may take up to 5 days.

Teaching staff are always available at the end of the school day for a quick chat, or can make an appointment with you if a longer time is needed.

The old e-mail address is no longer in use. Please make sure you use our new email address when contacting the school.

office@gwenfocwprimary.co.uk

**We are a NUT and KIWI
FREE School!**



Please ensure any food bought into does not contain nuts or kiwi due to severe allergies!



GOLDEN RULE

TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED



BE READY

BE ON TIME AND READY TO LEARN
WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM
BRING EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO SCHOOL



BE RESPECTFUL

LISTEN TO OTHERS AND EXPECT TO BE LISTENED TO
LOOK AFTER OUR BUILDING, OUTDOOR AREAS, EQUIPMENT AND DISPLAYS
REPRESENT GWENFÔ - BOTH IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL



BE RESPONSIBLE

BE SAFE IN SCHOOL, OUT OF SCHOOL AND ONLINE
BE IN THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME
REPORT ANY PROBLEMS TO AN ADULT

Welcome to the...



**CWMPAWD
TEULU BRO**
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**VALE FAMILY
COMPASS**
FINDING SOLUTIONS TOGETHER

**What is the
Vale Family
Compass?**



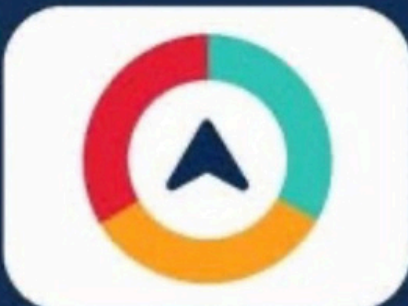
**One front door
to access support
for families**



**Family Information Service, Early
Help and Intake Team**



Now under one umbrella so you get
information, advice, support and
protection through one phone number,
one website and one email address.



0808 281 6727



**familycompass@
valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
valefamilycompass.co.uk**

Family Compass enables families to access support from Vale Services.

Please take a look at the website.

There is lots of help available for all aspects of
parenting and family life.