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News for the week ending 21 April 2023

KEY DATES

25 April	Swing into Spring Concert 6pm
1 May	May Day Bank Holiday School Closed
3 May	Year 8 Parents' Evening
8 May	Bank Holiday for Coronation School Closed
12 May	Year 9 Reports Published
29 May-2 June	Half term

**Newyddion yr
wythnos**

Dear Parent/Carer

Here is our most up to date Newsletter.

We wish all families an enjoyable weekend.

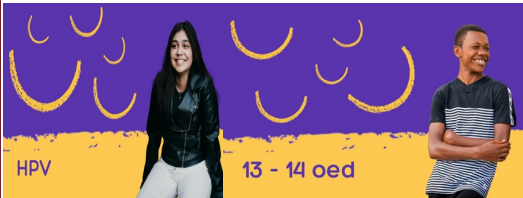
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World Immunisation Week 2023



World Immunisation Week 2023, celebrated between 24th and 30th April, aims to highlight the collective action needed to protect people from vaccine-preventable diseases.

The goal of World Immunisation Week is for more children, adults – and their communities – to be protected from vaccine-preventable diseases, allowing them to live happier, healthier lives. The School Nursing Immunisation Team are proud to be part of this collective action by offering the Flu and HPV vaccine to all eligible school-age children of Cardiff and Vale.

The Team are currently touring all the high schools in Cardiff and Vale offering the HPV vaccine. The vaccine helps to protect a person from being infected by the Human Papillomavirus. This virus increases the risk of developing some cancers later in life such as cervical cancer, some mouth and throat cancers and some cancers of the anus and genital area, it also helps protect against genital warts. The vaccine is over 99% effective at preventing HPV related pre-cancerous lesions. You should receive all the relevant information from the school along with the link to the electronic consent form.

For further information about childhood vaccinations please go to:

<https://cavuhb.nhs.wales/patient-advice/local-public-health-team/key-areas-of-focus/immunisations/childhood-immunisations/>

Or contact the Immunisation Team directly on:

immunisation.cavuhbschoolnursing@wales.nhs.uk or 02921 907661/664.

Wythnos Imiwneiddio'r Byd 2023

Dathlir Wythnos Imiwneiddio'r Byd 2023 rhwng Ebrill 24ain a 30ain, sy'n anelu i amlygu'r angen i weithredu'n gyfunol i amddiffyn pobl rhag afiechydon ataliadwy trwy frechu.

Nod Wythnos Imiwneiddio'r Byd yw amddiffyn mwy o blant, oedolion – a'u cymunedau – rhag afiechydon ataliadwy trwy frechu, sy'n caniatáu iddynt i fyw bywydau hapusach ac iachach. Mae'r Tîm Imiwneiddio Nyrsys Ysgol yn falch o weithredu'n gyfunol trwy gynnig y frechlyn Ffliw a HPV i bob plentyn oedran ysgol cymwys yng Nghaerdydd a'r Fro.

Ar hyn o bryd, mae'r Tîm yn teithio o amgylch holl ysgolion uwchradd Caerdydd a'r Fro yn cynnig y brechlyn HPV. Mae'r brechlyn yn helpu i amddiffyn person rhag cael ei heintio gan Feirws Papiloma Dynol. Mae'r firws yma'n cynyddu'r risg o ddatblygu rhai canserau yn nes ymlaen mewn bywyd fel canser ceg y groth, rhai canserau ceg a gwddw a rhai canserau yn yr anws a'r ardal wenerol, mae hefyd yn helpu i amddiffyn yn erbyn dafadennau gwenerol. Mae'r brechlyn dros 99% effeithiol yn atal briwiau cyn-ganser sy'n gysylltiedig â HPV. Byddwch yn derbyn y wybodaeth perthnasol o'r ysgol gyda linc i'r ffurflen cydsynio.

Am ragor o wybodaeth am imiwneiddio plentyndod ewch i:

<https://bipcaf.giq.cymru/patient-advice/tim-iechyd-cyhoeddus-lleol-caerdydd-ar-fro/meysydd-ffocws-allweddol/imiwneiddio-a-brechiadau/imiwneiddio-plentyndod/>

Neu cysylltwch â'r Tîm Imiwneiddio yn uniongyrchol ar

immunisation.cavuhbschoolnursing@wales.nhs.uk neu 02921 907661/664.





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Messages from Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council



Be kind



Byddwch yn garedig

COWBRIDGE (ANCIENT BOROUGH) with
LLANBLETHIAN TOWN COUNCIL
CYNGOR TREF

Y BONTFAEN (Bwrdeistref Hynafol) gyda
LLANFLEIDDAN

Coronation Celebrations

There will be a Coronation Celebration Parade on Sunday 7th May 2023 starting at Cowbridge Fire Station led by the Tractor Boys. It will finish at the Bear Field where the Picnic in the Park will be taking place.

We would like to encourage people to dress up, with the theme of Royalty or similar.

All are welcome.

Councillor D Breen

contact cllrdbreen@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk for further information

Coronation Competition

Closing date 28th April 2023

Entries should be in one or more of the following topics:

Design a new crown for King Charles III or the Queen consort

Write a poem about the Coronation

Design a new type of transport to take King Charles to his Coronation

The competition is open to all young people in the Cowbridge and Llanblethian area

Age categories: 7 and under, 11 and under 14 and under

A small prize will be awarded to the winner in each age category

All entries will be displayed during the Coronation celebrations on the 7th May 2023

Remember to place your name and age on the rear of your entry.

Entries can be delivered to Cowbridge Town Hall or collected from the school on the 28th April 2023

if you would like them collected from the school please contact

cllrdbreen@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk



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Mobile Phone protocol

Please see below the School's mobile phone protocol.

All pupils are aware of these requirements.

We would be very grateful if you could reinforce this message at home.

Thank you

 Phone use	 Phone use
Classroom and study spaces (Teacher permission)	Toilet area
Break Out areas (Teacher permission)	Corridors
Canteen, piazza and other outdoor areas	Mobile phone conversations
Headphones/Earpods (Teacher permission in classroom only)	Taking photos, videos or recording audio
	Headphones/Earpods (when moving or outside the classroom)



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School Uniform - reminder

We would like to remind all parents/ carers that the current school uniform has not changed for some time and all pupils are aware of expectations.

We are anxious to avoid any conflict with pupils or parents regarding school uniform. Therefore, we would encourage you to contact us as soon as possible if your child is likely to have difficulty in complying with the School's uniform requirements. For example, we might be able to help in cases of financial hardship which has resulted in problems in obtaining items of school uniform.

Please see below for a reminder of current uniform requirements:

- Trousers should be "tailored" in nature and not overly tight - **leggings are not part of the school uniform;**
- Skirts, if worn, must be no more than 5cm above the knee;
- Jeans in any colour are not part of the school uniform;
- Hooded tops are not to be worn;
- All pupils need to have a school jumper and tie which are compulsory and integral elements of the uniform;
- Footwear must be black and plain with no coloured logos;
- Jewellery is restricted to a watch and one stud earring in each ear - these must not extend beyond the earlobe to ensure the health and safety of all.

We continue to remind all pupils on a daily basis of expectations regarding uniform. Please note that if any pupil attends school wearing inappropriate clothing, which clearly does not comply with uniform requirements, parents or carers will be contacted and asked to bring suitable replacement clothing to school.

Clearly, we wish to avoid this inconvenience for all concerned. Therefore, we would request that you ensure that your child attends school wearing items of clothing which comply with the uniform requirements.

Thank you in anticipation of support on this matter.

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Punctuality

We would like to remind all parents/carers and pupils that morning school starts at 8.30am for registration. All pupils are expected to be in morning registration at this time unless there is a specific reason to explain the lateness/absence. Attendance during this session is compulsory.

If you are experiencing any problems in ensuring your child arrives at school on time, please contact the relevant year group achievement team.

Arrangements for pupils leaving school during the day

We fully understand that pupils may occasionally need to leave the site during the school day. This might be for medical/dental appointments or for urgent family reasons.

However, in these circumstances it is essential that members of staff in school have been informed of any need for pupils to leave site. For example, prior notice of any appointments is needed. If possible appointments should be made in time slots outside of school hours.

We would also like to remind parents/carers that pupils are not able to access or answer text messages from home during lessons. Therefore, if any essential or urgent information needs to be conveyed to a pupil, please contact the school directly and speak to or email the relevant year group achievement team.

TyHapus Counselling Service

Please find attached information about the free counselling service TyHapus offer.

Careers Wales

Please see the link below which will enable you to access updated information and resources from Careers Wales. The information and resources are designed to help parents and carers support young people in making decisions relating to careers and the world of work.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/parents>



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2022-25

Welsh Government has confirmed that the current academic year will be further reduced by one day to reflect the extra bank holiday for the King's Coronation on Monday 8 May 2023. Please see below and next pages the term dates 2022-2025.

This information can also be viewed on the Councils website [here](#)

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2022/2023

Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School Days
		Begin	End		
Autumn 2022	Mon 5 Sept 2022	Monday 31 Oct 2022	Friday 4 Nov 2022	Friday 23 Dec 2022	74
Spring 2023	Monday 9 Jan 2023	Monday 20 Feb 2023	Friday 24 Feb 2023	Friday 31 Mar 2023	55
Summer 2023	Monday 17 April 2023	Monday 29 May 2023	Friday 2 Jun 2023	*Monday 24 July 2023	64
				TOTAL	193

Mon 5 Sept 2022 and *Monday 24 July 2023 will be designated INSET days for **all** LEA Maintained Schools. The remaining four INSET days to be taken will be at the discretion of each individual school following appropriate consultation with staff. ***It is intended that this INSET Day will either be taken on Mon 24 July 2023 or at an alternative time for example in the form of twilight sessions.**

All schools will be closed on **Monday 1 May 2023** for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates:	Christmas	Sunday 25 December 2022
	Easter	Good Friday 7 April 2023 Easter Monday 10 April 2023
	May Bank Holidays	Monday 1 May 2023 Monday 29 May 2023

Extra one-off bank holidays

Queen's Funeral	Monday 19 September 2022
King's Coronation	Monday 8 May 2023



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Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School Days
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Autumn 2023	Mon 4 Sept 2023	Monday 30 Oct 2023	Friday 3 Nov 2023	Friday 22 Dec 2023	75
Spring 2024	Monday 8 Jan 2024	Monday 12 Feb 2024	Friday 16 Feb 2024	Friday 22 Mar 2024	50
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April 2024	Monday 27 May 2024	Friday 31 May 2024	*Monday 22 July 2024	70
TOTAL					195

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All schools will be closed on Monday 6 May 2024 for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates: Christmas	Monday 25 December 2023
Easter	Good Friday 29 March 2024 Easter Monday 1 April 2024
May Bank Holidays	Monday 6 May 2024 Monday 27 May 2024



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2024/2025

Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School Days
		Begin	End		
Autumn 2024	Mon 2 Sept 2024	Monday 38 Oct 2024	Friday 1 Nov 2024	Friday 20 Dec 2024	75
Spring 2025	Monday 6 Jan 2025	Monday 24 Feb 2025	Friday 28 Feb 2025	Friday 11 Apr 2025	65
Summer 2025	Monday 28 April 2025	Monday 26 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025	*Monday 21 July 2025	55
				TOTAL	195

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All schools will be closed on Monday 5 May 2025 for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates: Christmas	Wednesday 25 December 2024
Easter	Good Friday 18 April 2025 Easter Monday 21 April 2025
May Bank Holidays	Monday 5 May 2025 Monday 26 May 2025