

# Family Engagement Newsletter



Hey Parents and Carers

Welcome back to our termly newsletter.

What a busy last term it's been! I'd like to take the time, to say thank you all for your support in making our school community a great place. Looking forward to expanding even more next year with your help, any ideas will always be gratefully received.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Mrs. Walker at [Walkera98@Hwbcymru.net](mailto:Walkera98@Hwbcymru.net).



We started and finished another course with Cardiff and Vale College

## DIGITAL DETECTIVES

Years 4, 5 and 6 and their adults got the opportunity to learn lots of new skills within the digital world, including pixel art, story boards, scratch, stop motion and microbits.



I loved learning something with my mum in a different classroom Amber .

## AUTHENTIC INDIAN COOKING

We ended our Indian cooking on a budget course, which was very popular with some delicious dishes made, and inspiration for dinners. A huge thank you to Sarwat for coming in and inspiring us.



## PERIOD DIGNITY TALKS

We delivered period dignity talks to all the girls and their grown ups in years 4 and 5, with great success. We offer these sessions to the children with their adults to be able to open up the conversation about puberty and periods easier.

If there are any questions or you require any help please come and see Mrs. Walker she has lots of resources.

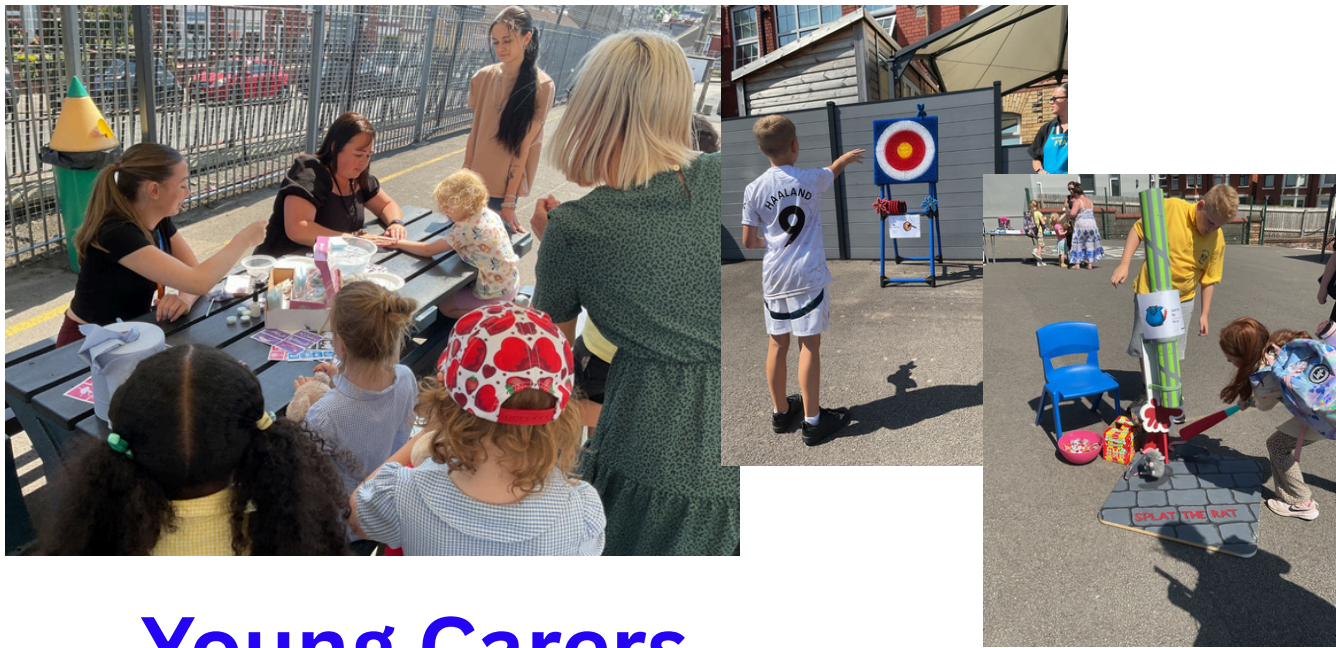
## CARDIFF AND VALE CREDIT UNION



We started our school savings club with lots of parents signing their children up at the summer fair. Children can learn the skill of earning pocket money at home and saving it with us, We will start again in September. Here are our first savers with Rowena from Cardiff and Vale Credit Union. Forms are available from the office or Mrs. Walker if you want to join.

## SUMMER SCHOOL FAIR

We had such a wonderful time at our school fair, and hope you did too? A fabulous £550 was raised to boost our school funds. A huge thanks to all the parent helpers for setting up and staff for staying. As well as all of you for spending your money and kind donations.



## Young Carers

After working hard with some of our Young Carers PROGRAMME and as a school we have been awarded The Young Carers in schools basics award. We are very honoured and can't wait to continue onto the next level. If you believe you child might qualify as a young carer, you can call Families First 0800 0327 322 or speak to Mrs Walker.



# COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

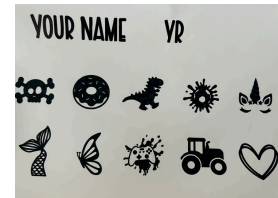
## DAY 1 CRY, CHEER, CONSOLE AND CAKE!

Pop into the snug at drop off for cake, coffee, tea and a consoling chin wag, cry or cheer that your little ones have started back at school.

## WEEK 1 LABEL HELP

Personalise your children's water bottles, lunch boxes for £2 each with their name, year group and a cute design.

Outside the snug at 2:50pm every afternoon with Custom Class Prints



## TALK WITH ME

A new Welsh Government family learning initiative for parents and children, aimed at nursery and reception children, looking at how important speech and language is and how you can enrich your child's opportunities in speech, language and communication skills. More information to follow.

## BRIGHT SPARKS

**YEARS 4,5,6**



Dive into fun ways to support your child's maths and science learning. Build yours and their confidence in maths and science.

10 weeks with an accreditation from Cardiff and Vale College. Open to parents, grandparents, or any other family members.

Starting September with the fabulous tutor Emma Smith. Thursdays 9am - 11am

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

Fancy a morning of relaxation and learning some new arts and crafts join us on a Wednesday morning in the Snug from 8:50am

## FIRST AID COURSE

We will be delivering a first aid course, this will be for one day rather than over a few mornings. Please let me know if your interested.  
Date to be confirmed.

## FRIDAY MORNINGS

### ARE MADE FOR COFFEE AND CAKE

Return of the Friday morning parent catch up  
Drop into the snug to get to know other parents and socialise.

**IF YOU WANT TO DO ANY OF THE ABOVE COURSES REGISTER WITH MRS. WALKER**

# On Going Info

## UNIFORM

If your child has grown out of their uniform don't forget about our swap shop available in the reception area.

If you have any good quality uniform that no longer fits please consider bringing it in to us.

## COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Come and use our pantry, pop in for a cuppa and a chat feel free to fill a bag of 10 items for £5

Tuesdays 8:50am

Wednesdays 8:50am

Thursday 3:00pm

Friday 8:50am and 3:00pm

If these times don't suit please contact Mrs. Walker

and we can arrange a different time.



## PARENT COMPUTER AVAILABLE

A computer is now available in The Snug for parents to use, if you need to fill out application forms, produce a document, apply for a job, sort out benefits etc, anything that's tricky to do on a phone! come and use our computer.

If you need help filling out any forms, finding information for your family, or some advice with parenting life or mental health come and see Mrs. Walker



## BOARD GAME LIBRARY

Bored of the games you have at home? In the snug we have a selection of board games you can borrow for a week. Pop into the snug on Wednesdays at 3pm to borrow one.

# Support

## Useful links and additional help

### Families First advice line

0800 0327322

familiesfirstadvice@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

Information on  
FACT  
Young Carers  
Youth Well being  
Vale Parenting Service

### Vale Family Information Service

01446 704704

fis@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

information on  
Childcare and childcare costs  
Parent and Toddler Groups  
Activities and Services for Children  
Family Support for children with additional needs

### SNAP CYMRU

0808 801 0608

enquiries@snapcymru.org

Information and advice for children and young people with additional needs.

### CUBE

#### WHOLE FAMILY SUPPORT

tammi@cubecentre.co.uk

07801 978676

Free support to individuals, families, or children

### Baobab Bach CIC Barry Pantry

Tuesdays 4:30-6:00pm

Margaret Alexander Community Centre

£1 joining fee then £5 per bag  
everyone welcome



### Castleland Community Centre

Wednesdays 1:30pm

Foodshare

Take a bag with you some items are free and some are heavily discounted.



our goals are to:

1. help people with their mental health
2. prevent suicide
3. reduce homelessness



If you are aware of any other support available let me know.