



*Reach for the Stars, by Learning and Growing Together*

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance for this week is **91.63%** just below our whole school target of **92.5%**.

Well done to Reception (92.6%), Year 1 (96.4%), Year 2 (93%) and Year 4 (96.6%) Keep up the good work!

## GENERAL REMINDERS / Requests

### DEPUTY HEAD APPOINTMENT

We are delighted to inform you that our Governing Body have appointed Sarah Jones into the role of Deputy Head commencing 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026. Sarah will be joining us from Palmerston where she is currently Assistant Head.

### SCHOOL DINNERS

Big Fresh, the school catering company for all schools in the Vale of Glamorgan, are making a change to the Menu. Next week sandwiches will replace baguettes. The following week, sandwiches will be replaced by wraps. This is a trial to determine the best option for our children. The same filling options will be available.

### NURSERY FUN MORNING

We would like to clarify that our upcoming Fun Morning is not a competitive Sports Day. As we follow the non-maintained curriculum, our focus is on relaxed, child-led play rather than formal races, and we know the children simply enjoy spending time with you. The morning is all about joining in together, having fun, and celebrating their learning in an inclusive way.

### NURSERY TRANSITION

Children who will be starting Reception in September are invited to stay for lunch on **1st July** as part of their transition; please send them with a packed lunch containing **no nuts**, as we are a nut-free school. Pick up will be later that day at **11:45**. We also want to let you know that our Nursery Graduation will take place on **16th July**, giving us a lovely opportunity to celebrate the children's year with you and offer a tour of their new classroom, where they will continue with the same group of friends.

### SUMMER FAIR

We are busy planning our Summer Fair – **TICKET TO SUMMER on Wednesday 24th June**, and looking forward to your support on the day. If anyone would like to **volunteer their time before** the fair to help set up, run a stall or would like a stall of your own please speak to Mrs. Walker or send her an email WalkerA98@hwbcymru.net.

**We would appreciate any raffle prizes, as well as any full bottles, jars or tins (squash, pop, alcohol, sauces, beans etc.)** for a bottle and tombola raffle. Or **any Nerf Guns** no longer required. Could the items be bought into school **before the 19th June** please. All money raised will be split between our charity for the year and to boost school funds within classes to buy items in school for the children.

The Summer Fair will take place after school from 3.00pm on the yard. Please note that this is not a supervised school provision. Parents and carers remain fully responsible for their child's attendance, supervision and safety throughout the event. Children must remain with their parent or carer at all times. Any unaccompanied child may be asked to wait with a member of staff until their parent/carer is located.

## WARM WEATHER GUIDANCE

With warmer weather forecast over the coming week, all schools are asked to implement the following control measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of pupil, staff and visitors.

## General Precautions:

**Sun Protection:** Sunscreen should be applied before school. Please provide your child with a hat and wear light, loose clothing.

**Hydration access:** Please provide your child with a water bottle. Pupils have continued daily access to drinking water in classes and refill stations are accessible.

**Adjustment of physical activities:** Intensity of PE lessons and awareness of peak heat (11am to 3pm) will be considered by class teachers.

**Shaded Areas:** Children will be encouraged to use shaded areas during outdoor sessions, break and lunchtimes.

## HEALTHY SCHOOL

At High Street Primary, we encourage children to bring a healthy snack for break time. No processed foods. Items will be removed from children and returned at the end of the day.

- ☑ Fruit or vegetables only – grapes must be cut in half before they are sent to school as these are a choking hazard.
- ⊘ No nuts or may contain nut products.
- ⊘ No crisps, chocolate, biscuits, or processed snacks.
- ⊘ No squash or fizzy drinks – please send in a water bottle that can be refilled throughout the day. Milk is also available daily.

Helping children eat well supports their learning, concentration, and overall health. Thank you for supporting our healthy school approach!

## CHANGES TO FOREST (PE will also be on the children's new Forest Days)

### Following half term:

- Reception – Wednesdays
- Year 2 – Thursday
- Year 3 – Monday
- Year 5 – Tuesday
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### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

- On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June, a new group of Year 3 children started their sessions. The final session will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

## PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

The image displays three promotional posters for parental engagement activities. The left poster is for 'Families Learning Together: Brains & Buttons' at High Street Primary, starting on Thursday 23rd April 2026 at 9:00am. It is for parents/carers of children in Year 4, 5, and 6. The middle poster is for 'ADULT LEARNING WORKSHOPS 9:15-11:30' with sessions on 06/05/26 (Understanding Neurodiversity), 13/05/26 (Roles and Responsibilities of a classroom assistant), 20/05/26 (Enabling Access to Learning), 03/06/26 (Communication and Social Support), 10/06/26 (Behaviour, Emotional Regulation & Wellbeing), and 17/06/26 (Introduction to Safeguarding). The right poster is for 'Families Learning Together: Nature Nurturers' at High Street Primary School on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 1 pm. It is a free-to-week family learning course designed for Reception to Year 2, focusing on outdoor play and learning.

## MUSIC LESSONS

<https://www.cfmusiceducation.co.uk/>

Do you want your child to learn to play a musical instrument in school? Follow the link above.

CF Music Education is a non-profit, joint service hosted by Cardiff Council and the Vale of Glamorgan Council. We provide music experiences, performances and tuition for children and young people and are the lead organisation in the region for the National Plan for Music Education.

We teach around 7,000 children weekly to sing or play a musical instrument, deliver the [National Plan for Music Education](#) that supports the Curriculum for Wales. We provide an exciting and diverse range of music tuition, ensemble and collaborative opportunities for all.

Many of our students go on to play in National and UK ensembles such the National Youth Choir, Brass Band and Orchestra of Wales. We pride ourselves in looking after the needs of each child and providing the specialist tuition needed for each child to realise their potential.

### CONTACT DETAILS

Mrs McKee and Mr Macpherson are the leads for safeguarding at High Street. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you think a child is in immediate danger of being harmed, please contact the Police on 999. Further details can be found on our website. If you have a concern regarding the Headteacher, please contact our Chair of Governors – details are available in the school office.

### UNIFORM

Uniform can now be purchased from Ruckley's @ 42 Holton Road, Barry and also at Class Apart @ 9 Castle Drive, Dinas Powys.

### SWAP SHOP

This will continue so please ensure you pass on items which are too small for your child and swap them for larger sizes. Available in the Cwtch and Office.

### NUT FREE SCHOOL

High Street Primary is a **nut-free school**. ⚠️ Even tiny traces of nuts can be life-threatening for some children. Please **do not send nuts or products that may contain traces of nuts or are processed in a factory with nuts**. Any items will be removed and sent home. Thank you for keeping everyone safe!

### FREE BREAKFAST CLUB

Open every day from 8:00am to 8:15am for children to have breakfast. After breakfast, children join fun activities and games. At 8:50am, children go to their classrooms to start the school day. If your child is new to Breakfast Club, please fill out a registration form before their first session. You can pick a form up from Reception.

### LUNCH MENU

Lunch Menus can be found on our school website.

### ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/26 DIARY DATES

Dates for the Academic Year. New information will be **added in red** when available.

2025 / 26	
Wednesday June 24th	<a href="#">Summer Fair</a> from 3pm on school yard
Friday 3rd July	<a href="#">Annual Report to Parents</a>
Monday June 15 <sup>th</sup> through to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	End of year school trips to be confirmed by each class teachers later in the year
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> – Reception @ 9.15am
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> - Year 1 @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> - Year 2 @ 9.15am
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> - Year 3 @ 2.15pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> - Year 4 @ 9.15am
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Moving on Assembly</a> - Year 5 @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Transition</a> : Visits to new classes <a href="#">Picnic Lunch for Reception through to Year 6</a>
Wednesday 15th July	Parents and Carers welcome. Reception and Year 1 on the school yard from 9.15am to 10am. Year 2 and Year 3 on the school yard from 10.15am to 11am. Years 4, 5 and 6 will be at <a href="#">Romily Park</a> and will start at 1pm.

	<p><b>What should the children wear?</b> House colours, as for St David's Day.</p> <p><b>What happens if it rains?</b> We will let you know via Arbor by 8.30am on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July if cancelled or whether going ahead as normal.</p> <p><b>REFRESHMENTS?</b> A tuck shop will be available under the bottom shelter. Items can only be purchased by parents and carers and there will be an opportunity to share these with children at the end of the session.</p> <p>A tuck shop will also be set up at Romily Park. Again, items can be given to the children at the end of the session.</p> <p><b>Can I take my child home straight from Romily Park?</b> Yes. Any children not taken by parents or carers will walk back to school with staff for 3pm.</p>
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Moving on Assembly - Year 6 @ 9.15am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - Moving on Graduation – Nursery @ 11am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET DAY – Children do not attend school
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET Day: Children do not attend school
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July to Monday 31st August	Summer Holidays
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026	INSET Day: Children do not attend school
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET Day: Children do not attend school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	First Day of school for children.