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Reach for the Stars, by Learning and Growing Together

Friday 2nd October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

ATTENDANCE:

Our attendance target for this year is 91.5%. Attendance this year so far:

Nursery:	90%
Reception:	94.4%
Year 1:	90.2%
Year 2:	88.7%
Year 3:	94.6%
Year 4:	94.4%
Year 5:	91.7%
Year 6:	85.2%

STAFFING / ACCESS TO RECEPTION:

Due to a reduction in staffing, it sometimes takes us a little longer to answer the door buzzer or phone. Please be patient, we will get to you.

STAFFING CHANGES

This week we have welcomed Miss Greenslade to Year 1. She will teach the children on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Our PPA team will support the class on Wednesday for Forest and PE. Mrs Jones, our Deputy will join Mrs Campbell in Reception. Mrs Campbell will continue with teaching Reception on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs will commence on Monday 5th October, continuing until Friday 27th November. All places have now been allocated.

PHOTOGRAPHS – MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

School Photo Day. 8.30am for children from other schools to join their siblings at High Street. Individual and sibling photographs will be taken throughout the day.

CHANGES TO FOREST SCHOOL and PE Days

These changes will start on Monday 5th October. Year 5 to wear uniform and bring Forest clothes as this will be school photo day.

FOREST AND PE TIMETABLE:	
Monday:	**Year 5**
Tuesday:	**Year 2 and Year 3**
Wednesday:	**Year 1**
Thursday:	**Nursery and Reception**
Friday:	**Year 4 and Year 6**

NURSERY PARENT / CARER 'SETTLING' SESSIONS

Please see ARBOR message sent to individual parents regarding booking an appointment online. We are trialling a new system and would be grateful for your feedback.

Year 5 and Year 6 Farm Residential

I can confirm that all children who have paid a deposit to reserve a place on the residential have been allocated a space.

FLU NASAL SPRAY

As we approach flu season, we want all families to have the information they need to help protect their children's health. Flu can spread quickly in school environments and can cause serious illness in children. This autumn, all school children from Reception to Year 11 (inclusive), will be offered the free and quick, nasal spray flu vaccine at school.

The flu nasal spray vaccine is safe, painless, and helped protect over 220,000 school-aged children in Wales last year. Giving consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, helps keep them healthy - reducing the risk of illnesses that could disrupt their learning, play and your family life. The nasal spray flu vaccine is the recommended vaccine for children and young people, but if they can't have the flu vaccine or you'd prefer a gelatine-free vaccine, they can have the flu vaccine by injection instead. Give your consent for your child's flu vaccine to help keep them healthy this winter.

For more information about the flu vaccination visit: www.phw.nhs.wales/fluvaccine

Thank you for supporting your child and our school community.

NAMES ON PERSONAL ITEMS:

Please ensure your children's jumpers, cardigans, coats and water bottles have their names on.

DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR:

Confirmed dates can be found at the end of this newsletter.

SNACK:

Children are welcome to bring a fruit snack. This includes apples, bananas etc. Staff cannot cut up fruit for children. Processed 'fruit' snacks that come in packets, pots or wrapping are not allowed.

NUT ALLERGIES:

We have a number of children with nut allergies so nuts and items containing nuts are not allowed in lunchboxes. Please check packets and containers when making lunches for traces of nuts as contact with such items can have significant impact on the health and wellbeing of individuals.

ALN:

Mrs Kingston is our ALNCo. All matters regarding ALN can be sent to the following email address. Learning-NeedsA6@Hwbcymru.net. Mrs Kingston will manage this and all other ALN matters on a Tuesday each week. This will change to a Monday following half term.

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026/27

New Information will be added in red.

DATES	EVENTS
5th October	**School Photo Day. 8.30am for children from other schools to join their siblings at High Street. Individual and sibling photographs will be taken throughout the day.**
14th October, 19th October and 20th October	**Nursery 'settling in meetings'. Please book your appointment via Arbor.**
Thursday 15th October	**Flu vaccinations in school Reception through to Year 6.**
Friday 16th October	**Show Racism the Red Card**
Weds 21st October	**Halloween Disco – Details to follow**

Thursday 22nd October	**Harvest – Contributions to Vale Foodbank. List to be shared closer to date.**
Monday 26th Oct to Friday 30th Oct	**October Half Term**
Monday 9th Nov to Friday 13th Nov	**Year 5 and Year 6 Residential to Treginnis Farm, St David's.**
Tuesday 17th and Weds 18th Nov	**Parent / Teacher meetings. All appointments will be undertaken face to face this year. Appointments to follow.**
Monday 16th to Friday 20th Nov	**Road Safety Week**
Friday 20th November	**Children in Need**
Monday 7th December	**Christmas Concert dates TBC**
Tuesday 8th December	**Christmas Concert dates TBC**
Wednesday 9th December	**Christmas Concert dates TBC**
Monday 21st Dec to Friday 1st Jan	**Christmas Holidays – Half Term**
Monday 4th January	**INSET Day – Children do not attend school. Staff training day. Children return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2027.**
Monday 11th January to Friday 22nd January	**Year 5 swimming lessons – Details to follow.**
Monday 8th Feb to Friday 12th Feb	**Half Term**
Friday 19th March	**Red Nose Day**
Mon 22nd March to Friday 2nd April	**Easter Holidays, Half Term**
Monday 5th April	**INSET Day – Children do not attend school. Staff training day. Children return to school on Tuesday 6th April 2027.**
Thursday 20th May	**Sports Day at Jenner Park Stadium**
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June	**Half Term Holidays**
Friday 2nd July	**Reports go home with children**
Tuesday 6th July	**Moving on assembly Reception @ 9.15am**
Wednesday 7th July	**Moving on assembly Year 1 @ 9.15am**
Thursday 8th July	**Moving on assembly Year 2 @ 9.15am**
Friday 9th July	**Moving on assembly Year 3 @ 9.15am**
Monday 12th July	**Moving on assembly Year 4 @ 9.15am** **Moving on assembly Year 5 @ 3.15pm**
Tuesday 13th July	**Children spend morning in their new classes**
Thursday 15th July	• **Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 9.15am** • **Nursery Graduation / Reception visit @ 11am with parents**
Friday 16th July	**Last day of school year**
Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th July	**INSET Days**