



# Newsletter



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Summer Term - June 14th 2019



## **Father's Day**

Gifts are sold in school for £2. The PTA have organised this for the children and details have been on their Facebook page. The children have really enjoyed choosing a present. Thank you PTA, it's proved to be a big success year on year.

Happy Father's Day all you dads out there!! Make sure you get spoilt on Sunday.

## **PTA**

During our full governors meeting this week the governors officially thanked the PTA for all their hard work organising events for the children. I am sure you will agree with us in saying that it makes a huge difference to the school having these events and it shows how committed we all are to the children in our school. If you would like to join in please let them know via their Facebook page. I guarantee that you will have a very warm welcome!!

## **Year 1 class**

As you know Mrs Fry is attending a welsh course which is coming to an end shortly. For the next four weeks she will be back to school teaching the class again for two days a week, Mondays and Tuesdays. On July 15th she returns to school full time.

## **Year 6**

Lots of transition days for the children moving on to their secondary school. Very exciting but also a few nerves so plenty of talking about the changes will help. The current year 7 pupils at Cwm Brombil who attended eastern have been into school to answer questions from the children. It was great to see.

## **May Day 2020**

Just in case you have missed it on the news. Bank holiday May Day has been moved back to May 8th to recognise 75th anniversary of VE Day.

## **Uniform grants**

Grants are available to support families with the cost of uniform, shoes, coats, PE kits, equipment etc. Funding is available to pupils who are eligible for free school meals entering reception class, year 3, year 7 and year 10. The funding is available to all pupils who are looked after by the local authority. Closing date for applications is December 31st 2019. You can apply online at [www.npt.gov.uk](http://www.npt.gov.uk) or download the form and post it to Neath Port Talbot civic centre. Any queries contact school and family support on 01639 763515.

### **Governors**

The new governors attended their first meeting at the school this week. The parent governors will help be your voice at the school and also ensure that the school's progress is monitored closely. If you need them to bring ideas forward they will let you know the best way to do this. Most of your questions can be answered by school as usual. They will answer what they can but if in doubt they will direct you to school. The new parent governors are Christine Pinchess whose daughter is in reception class and Rhian Waters whose sons are in years 1 and 5. Alison Thomas has been appointed as a local authority governor. You will also see Alison at the school as a parent. Ken Tucker has been appointed as a community governor. Ken is a retired teacher from Dyffryn School and also sits on the governing body at Cwm Brombil. Welcome all!

We would like to say a big thank you to Amanda Tully who has been part of the governing body for many years as parent governor. Her son is moving on to Cwm Brombil in September so this week was her last meeting with us. Amanda has been a huge support to the school throughout her time and has often stepped in last minute for important meetings. The inspectors were very impressed with her knowledge of the school! Thank you Amanda.

This now leaves space for another parent governor. We will send the letters and applications out soon. The letter states what the governor role entails. It is a very interesting role and you would be able to learn a lot about how schools are run and how decisions are made for the children. If you are interested, keep a look out for the form that will come home with your child, complete the form and send it back into school by the date stated on the letter.

### **Books - HELP!**

We are sending reading books home but they are not always coming back so we are getting short again. Please search your houses for our reading books and send them into school for us. It doesn't matter how many you have we will just be glad to get them back for others to use and we won't have to spend money on buying more then.

Our Eastern book bags are lovely but we are aware that they cost £5. You don't have to have one though, any bag will be good. Reuse a plastic bag - think eco!

### **Diary Dates**

<b>June 19th</b>	School nurse - year 5. Hygiene talk
<b>June 20th</b>	School nurse -year 6. Puberty talk
<b>June 25th</b>	Year 6 crucial crew
<b>June 28th</b>	Year 5 trip to Craig y Nos castle - to be confirmed Year 6 transition day Cwm Brombil. Margam Park
<b>July 2nd</b>	Year 5 & 6 Mini triathlon - Aberavon leisure centre
<b>July 5th</b>	Reports out to parents
<b>July 8th</b>	INSET day. No school for pupils.
<b>July 9th</b>	Year 6 transition day to Cwm Brombil
<b>July 11th</b>	Sports day (weather permitting)
<b>July 12th</b>	Sports day (weather permitting)
<b>July 15th</b>	Choir visit Cardiff - 1000 voices Parents meeting for pupils moving from nursery into full time school - 11.45 am
<b>July 16th</b>	Parents meeting for new pupils starting in nursery - 11.45 am
<b>July 19th</b>	Last day for pupils.



