



"Working Together, Learning Forever"

2nd June 2025

Dear parent/carer,

Welcome back

I hope you all had a peaceful and enjoyable half term break. There is certainly lots to look forward to before the summer holidays. There are many important dates in this letter!

National personalised assessments

The national personalised assessments in Reading and Maths for pupils in Y2 to Y6 will take place during the weeks commencing 2nd and 9th June. It is very important that all pupils are in school for these unless ill.

Team photos

For those children who have represented the school in sporting teams this year, team photos will be taken on Monday 9th June. There will also be an opportunity for those who have earned sporting representative honours and won national academic awards to have their photo taken for the 'Hall of Fame' in the Reception area.

PTFA Father's Day stall

Our wonderful PTFA will again be selling gifts for Father's Day on the 11th and 12th June. The children can bring money in on these days, with items costing between £1 and £5.

School trips

There are a number of amazing trips being undertaken this half term. Your child's class teacher will be in touch with the final details. Year 6 pupils will be going to Harry Potter studios in Watford. I have again paid for the buses for the trip at a cost of £2500. This money comes from the extra work I do supporting other Headteachers across the country. The dates for trips are:

- 6th June – Y6 Mr. Wotherspoon trip to Ilston River Valley
- 10th June – Y2 trip to Oystermouth Castle
- 11th June – Y6 Mr. Webster trip to Ilston River Valley
- 20th June – Netball tournament at Hendrefoilan primary
- 23rd June – Y6 Mr. Wotherspoon and STF2 Y6 pupils residential to Borfa House
- 23rd June – Beach rugby festival
- 24th June Reception trip to the National Botanical Gardens
- 25th June – Y6 Mr. Webster residential to Borfa House
- 27th June – Y4 and STF2 to Margam Park
- 1st July – David Brayley (author) visit to Y5
- 4th July – Y6 trip to Harry Potter studios

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Sports days

Let's hope for some good weather! If it rains and we are unable to undertake them, we will contact you by text no later than 8:15 am on the day. Infant sports days will take place on the yard with the Juniors in Cwmbwrla Park.

19th June 9.30 am Years 5 & 6
 19th June 1.30 pm Years 3 & 4
 20th June 9.15 am Morning Nursery
 20th June 2.30 pm – Afternoon Nursery
 23rd June 9.30 am - Reception
 24th June 9.30 am –Year 1
 25th June 9.30 am – Year 2

Meeting for new Reception parents/carers

There will be a meeting for all parents/carers with children starting in Reception in September. This will give you an opportunity to meet the teachers and give an overview of the expectations, routines and support for all pupils and their families. **This will take place on 3rd July at 9:15 in the school**

Year 6 Leaver Assembly

This will take place at 2 pm on Wednesday 9th July and be a celebration of the children's time at Burlais. There is a limit of 2 tickets per Y6 child and these will be sent home with your child. Unfortunately, there will be no entry without a ticket and small children cannot be brought with you due to limits on space. If you do not require your allocated tickets, please can you send them back in so we can reallocate.

Transition

All pupils moving to Pentrehafod Comprehensive in September will attend their transition day on 7th July.

All other year groups will spend some time with their new teachers for September on the 7th July too. We are currently finalising which children will be in each class and you will be formally informed of this on the 10th July when you receive your child's written report. However, the year group teachers next year are as follows:

Nursery	Mrs. A. Jones	
Reception	Miss C. Rowe	Mrs. J. Tucker
Year 1	Mrs R. Evans & Miss Y. Scrine (job share)	Mrs. K. Meredith-Williams
Year 2	Mrs. D. Maher & Mrs. L. Bird (job share)	Mrs. A. Gay

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Year 3	Mrs. C. Worley and Mrs. N. Davies (job share)	Miss H. Hill
Year 4	Mrs. S. Young	Mr. G. Thomas
Year 5	Mrs. J. Byrom	Miss M. Sneade
Year 6	Mr. D. Webster	Mr. M. Wotherspoon
Specialist Teaching Facilities	Mrs. L. Jenkins	Mr. M. Bowen
Planning, Preparation and Assessment cover	Mrs. K. Bishop	Ms. S. Thompson
English as an additional language support	Mrs. N. Richards	

Written reports

These will be sent home on the 10th July and I hope you enjoy them! There are many successes and achievements by all pupils. Pupils in Y2 to Y6 will also receive their national test reports.

Last day of term

The last day before the summer holidays is **Friday 18th July**. This will be a non-uniform day. Monday 21st July is an INSET day.

Return to school in September

Pupils will return to school after the Summer holidays on Wednesday 3rd September. Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd are INSET days

Regards,

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