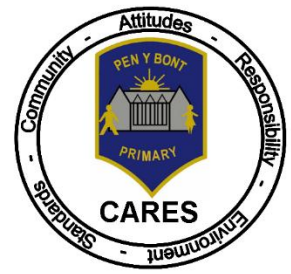


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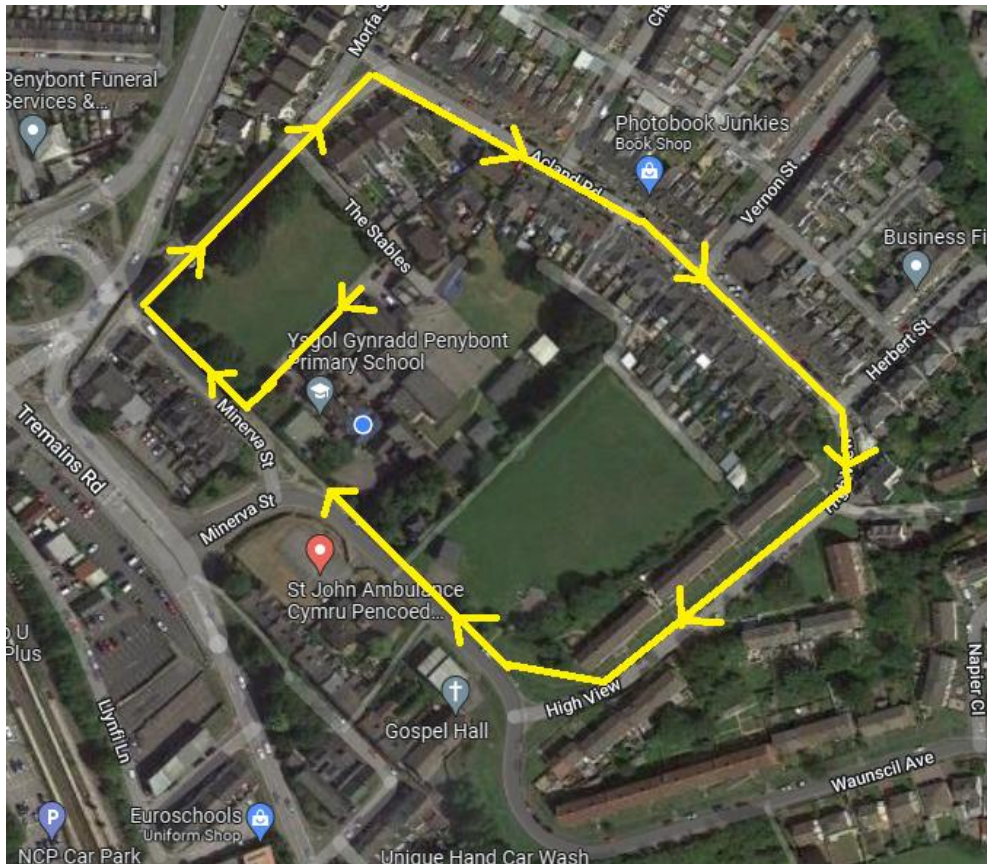
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Monday 20th April 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to the rescheduled Easter Bonnet Parade next Monday, 27th April at 9.15am. Pupils will complete a lap of the local community clock as shown in the picture below. Please line any part of the yellow route to watch the parade. There will be raffle tickets on sale throughout the short event with some Easter themed prizes.



Last week I shared some key dates for the upcoming Summer Term. Events such as Sports Days, Tournaments, the Easter bonnet parade and some end of term arrangements. We kindly encourage you to take some time to review the information so you can plan ahead where possible. The key dates can be found at the bottom of this newsletter and on the school website and app also.

You will also note a meeting has been coordinated for the parents of pupils in Year 6 who are going to attend Brynteg in September. This will be held in our school hall at 3.30pm on Wednesday 13th May.

Marking The End of an Era at Penybont

I would like to inform you that at the end of this academic year, Mrs Evans will be leaving our school after over 20 years of dedicated service.

This has been an extremely difficult decision for Mrs Evans, and one that has been made with a great deal of thought. After more than two decades of commitment to our school community, she has decided that the time is right to explore other opportunities and experiences in the next chapter of her life.

Throughout her years with us, Mrs Evans has made an immeasurable contribution to the school. Her dedication to the children, her passion for learning, and her unwavering commitment to our values have had a lasting impact on countless pupils and families. She has been a much valued colleague and a constant presence in the life of the school, and she will be greatly missed by staff and pupils alike.

We are incredibly grateful for everything she has given to our school over the years and would like to thank her sincerely for her loyalty, kindness, and professionalism. We know that you will join us in wishing her every success and happiness in her future endeavours.

We will, of course, ensure that arrangements are in place to support pupils during this transition and will share further information in due course.

Sports Day Information

On Friday 15th May, we will be holding our Sports Day for all pupils between the ages of reception and year 6.

The timing for the day is as follows:

Year Group	Start Time	Finish Time
Reception	09.30	10.30
Years 1 & 2	10.30	11.45
Years 3 & 4	12.45	14.00
Years 5 & 6	14.00	15.15

As always, the main focus of the day is for the children to enjoy the experience. However, in Years 3-6 there will be an optional element of competition. Access to Sports Day will be via Gate C, on the main school field. We will have refreshments and a BBQ for you to enjoy. Please bring cash to support us with this.

Please note, that we have a backup date of Friday 19th June, should the weather necessitate the event being postponed.

Our Nursery pupils will be having their own fun sports morning on Monday 18th May.

Introducing Our New Parent Governor

We are pleased to share that Mark Wilson will be joining us as a new Parent Governor. We would like to thank Mark for taking the time to apply and for his willingness to

support our school community in this important role. We look forward to officially welcoming him to the Governing Body very soon and working with him as he begins his journey with us.

School Attendance

The table below identifies three sets of statistics relating to school our whole school attendance. The 'Weekly Attendance' figure shows the attendance for that week. The 'Running Attendance' shows the school's attendance percentage from September to date and for this term to date.

If the percentages are coloured red, they are below our whole school target of 93%. If they are coloured in green, they are equal to or above our 93% attendance target for the whole school.

Attendance Update – Summer Term So Far!

We are delighted to share a strong start to the Summer Term. Our whole school attendance target remains 93%, and we are pleased to report that we have exceeded this target in the first week back!

This excellent opening week reflects the continued commitment of our pupils, families and staff to good attendance. Arriving at school every day and on time plays a vital role in children's learning, wellbeing and progress, and it is wonderful to see such a positive start to the term.

Thank you for your ongoing support, let's keep this momentum going throughout the Summer Term.

Week Ending	Weekly Attendance	Running Attendance	
		Since September 2025	Since Start of Spring Term
Summer 1 (20/04/26)	94.3%	91.5%	94.3%

INSET Days 2025-26

Please find detailed below the remaining INSET days scheduled for 2025/26;

- Friday 22nd May 2026
- Monday 20th July 2026

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Owen

Date	Detail
22/04/26	Year 6 Residential Trip Begins
24/04/26	Year 6 Residential Trip Return
27/04/26	Easter Bonnet Parade – 09.15am
01/05/26	Brynmenyn Primary School Football Tournament – All day
04/05/26	Bank Holiday Monday – School Closed



06/05/26	Urdd Football Tournament: Y3&4 Mixed, & Y5&6 Girls
12/05/26	Urdd Touch Rugby Tournament: Y3&4 mixed
13/05/26	Y6 Brynteg Meeting: Penybont Parents and Carers in Penybont, 3.30pm
15/05/26	Sports Day (Reception – Year 6 pupils)
18/05/26	Sports Day (Nursery)
19/05/26	Apollo Football Tournament: Year 5&6 boys
22/05/26	Inset Day 5 – School Closed
09/06/26	Brynteg Football Tournament: Year 5&6
12/06/26	Litchard Netball & Football Tournament, Year 5&6
03/07/26	Penybont Primary Football Tournament. Year 5&6
07/07/26	'House of the term' winners funday – All classes
09/07/26	Parent & Carer Open Afternoon, Book Look etc
14/07/26	In School Transition Morning
16/07/26	Year 6 Leavers Evening
20/07/26	Inset Day 6 – School Closed
To Be Confirmed ...	
T.B.C	Year 5 Camping
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