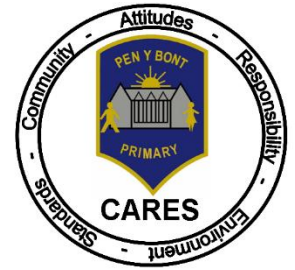


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Friday 10th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, you will receive your child's annual school report, which celebrates the progress, achievements and personal development they have made throughout the year. We hope you enjoy taking the opportunity to reflect on their many successes and the wonderful contributions they have made to school life.

Alongside the report, you will also receive confirmation of the class your child will be joining in September. We recognise that the transition to a new year group is an important milestone, and we hope that receiving this information now will help pupils feel excited and prepared for the new academic year ahead.

On Tuesday 14th July, we will be holding a transition session where every pupil will be able to meet their new teacher, support staff member and classmates!

Additionally, I would like to share some important updates regarding staffing and department organisation for September; as many of you will already know, Mrs Jemma Evans will be leaving Penybont Primary School at the end of this term after more than 20 years of dedicated service to our school community. Jemma has made an outstanding contribution to the lives of countless children and families during her time here, and while we are incredibly sad to see her go, we wish her every success and happiness as she embarks on an exciting new chapter.

In addition, Mrs Jacques left the school at the end of the 2025/26 academic year. To ensure we continue to provide the very best learning experiences for our pupils, we have recently completed the recruitment process for two permanent teaching positions and a Premises Manager vacancy to replace Mr Davies. I would like to formally congratulate and welcome Miss Edwards, Miss Samuel and Mr John McCormick to the school, all of which have joined us on a permanent basis.

I would like to congratulate Mr Ashton who has recently been appointed as a school Senior Leader.

As a result of these staffing changes, there will be some adjustments to the teaching teams within each department from September. While some teachers will remain in familiar roles, others will move into different year groups and departments to help ensure we maintain the strongest possible provision for all of our pupils. These changes have been carefully considered to provide continuity, support professional development and respond to the staffing changes outlined above.

We are currently finalising arrangements for part time teaching support across Years 3 to 6. I am pleased to confirm that all classes in these year groups will continue to benefit from additional teaching support; however, the precise allocation of these Learning Support Officers to individual classes has not yet been finalised and will be communicated once confirmed.



While change can sometimes feel unsettling, it also brings new opportunities. I am genuinely excited about the team we have in place for September and confident that our pupils will continue to thrive. We have a talented, committed and caring staff team who are passionate about providing the very best education and experiences for every child.

Mrs Maiden Pitcher, Year 1&2, remains on maternity leave at the start of the new academic year. Miss Taylor will continue to cover Miss Maiden Pitcher in her absence.

I would also like to make parents and carers aware that Mrs Mulcahy will be reverting to her maiden name, Mrs Griffiths, from the beginning of the new academic year.

We are incredibly proud of everything our children have achieved this year and would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support. Together, we look forward to another successful year ahead at Penybont Primary School.

Best Wishes,

Mr Owen

Staff & Class Structure for 2026/27

Dept	Class	Name	Job Title
Nursery & Reception	Mrs Hemming (Nursery)	A. Hemming	Nursery Leader
		C. Whittle	LSO
		A. Allin	LSO
		K. Price	LSO
		T. Carmody	LSO
	Mr Gorman (Reception)	C. Gorman	Teacher
Miss Edwards (Reception)	S. Shakeshaft	LSO	
	A. Edwards	Teacher	
Years 1 & 2	Mrs Griffiths (Year 1)	M. Butlin	LSO
		R. Griffiths	Teacher
	Miss M-Pitcher / Miss Taylor (Year 1/2)	L. Moody	LSO
		E. M-Pitcher (Maternity) (L. Taylor Maternity Cover)	Teacher (Maternity) (Teacher Maternity Cover)
		H. Evans	LSO (0.8) M – Th
	Mrs Wyatt (Year 2)	A. Jones	LSO (0.2) F
L. Wyatt		Teacher	
Years 3 & 4	Mr Ashton (Year 3)	M. Walsh	LSO
		T. Ashton	Teacher
	Miss Samuel (Year 3/4)	TBC	LSO
		L. Samuel	Teacher
	Mrs Thomas (Year 4)	TBC	LSO
		S. Thomas	Teacher
Years 5 & 6	Mr Bridgeman (Year 5/6)	TBC	LSO
		D Bridgeman	Teacher
	Mr Milton Harris (Year 5)	TBC	LSO
		D. Milton Harris	Teacher
	Mrs Cutter (Year 6)	TBC	LSO
		A. Cutter	Teacher