

## Headteachers Message

This week has been incredibly busy at school and began with a visit from our School Improvement Partner, who reviewed our School Improvement Plan and the progress we are making towards our targets. We are delighted to report that we have made excellent progress across all four of our school improvement priorities.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to complete our Summer Parental Questionnaire. We are truly grateful for your feedback and support. The questionnaire will remain open until Friday 26th June, after which it will close for analysis.

We will carefully review all responses before the end of term and share the findings with our school community. Importantly, I will also outline the actions we intend to take as a result of your feedback. It is essential that families know we value their views and are committed to listening and acting upon them wherever possible. We have also received some wonderful feedback regarding last week's 'Maths All Around Us' event. It was lovely to hear that families found the session helpful and that many parents are keen to try some of the activities and games at home.

We are looking forward to our Sports Day events next week. Light refreshments will be available to purchase during the Thursday events, so please feel free to bring some small change if you wish to. We are also excited to be using our new PA system for the first time and hope that everyone will be able to hear announcements. The weather for next week looks quite warm. Therefore school has purchased gazebos for our pupils to sit under. Please ensure your child has sun cream on and a sunhat during this day. Our Sun Safe station will be available before school on these days. Have a lovely weekend and thank you as always for your continued support.

Mrs Leanne Brown (Headteacher).

## Next Week

### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

- HT Assembly - The right and importance of Play- linked to Toy Story 5 release.
- Fluoride Varnishing for Nursery - Year 2- Design to Smile
- Visit to the school 'Numeracy Nook' from Pennant Walters

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

- Cricket Wales for KS2 pupils
- Baby and toddler group

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

- Nursery Sports Day- Halo Leisure Centre. 9.45am start

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June

- Rec, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Sports Day on KS2 sports field- AM
- Year 3- 6 sports Day at Nantymoel Rugby Pitch PM
- Bounce and Play session PM class 5

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

- England World Cup themed lunch

### **IMPORTANT**

**Some of our Taxi Drivers have approached us concerned that adults and children are walking behind the taxis' as they reverse. Please stay behind the coned barrier. This is part of our traffic management risk assessment. We do not want anyone getting hurt.**

# WHATS BEEN GOING ON THIS WEEK IN OVP.....



This week saw the first 'Lets Grow' stay and play session for KS2 pupils.



The thinking behind this club is all about encouraging children to talk, play, and interact with one another. It provides an opportunity for pupils to spend time away from screens and away from sitting alone in their bedrooms. Through play, children develop important social skills and build positive relationships, while research shows that active, social play can have significant benefits for well-being.

Staff who attend the club are referred to as 'Lifeguards'. Their role is to observe, support, and join in the play when appropriate, stepping in only when necessary to ensure everyone remains safe. As much as possible, if children fall out or experience minor conflicts, adults will step back and allow them the opportunity to resolve issues themselves.

This approach helps pupils develop strategies for dealing with difficult situations, while also building resilience—an important life skill that many children can struggle with. We want our pupils to learn how to play cooperatively, communicate effectively, resolve disagreements, and develop the confidence and resilience needed to overcome challenges. Stay and Play is designed with all of these aims in mind, providing a safe, supportive environment where children can learn, grow, and thrive through play.

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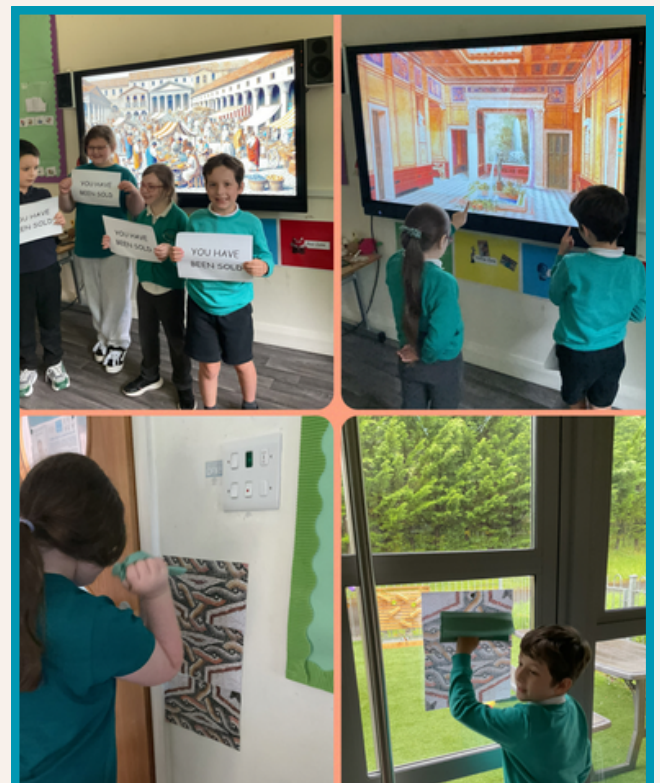


This week pupils had the first of 5 themed World Cup lunches. On Wednesday our pupils had a USA themed lunch of southern fried chicken goujons and curly fires. They also had sweetcorn and peas. For desert the pupils loved the mini doughnuts.



**Next few weeks: Over the next 4 weeks pupils will have a World Cup themed lunch once a week. Next week is England with Jumbo Fish Fingers and beans. For desert Icecream. Ths will be served on the Friday next week, due to sporting events on other days.**

**Class 12 have been undertaking some role play this week. They have been pretending they were sold at a Roman Market and had to undertake a lot of cleaning and sorting jobs as. All of the pupils agreed its better to be a child now than then!**



It was lovely to see our pupils purchasing from the Superman Sale for all the special male role models in their lives. Some pupils brought for their dads, others for uncles and grandfathers. We are sure these will be gratefully received on Sunday. A huge thank you to the lovely 'Friends Of' group who organised this for us.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SPORTS DAY

We sent an email on Wednesday with updates regarding KS2 sports Day. We have had to slightly change the arrangements as we are unable to use the PLANKA and will now be holding sports day for KS2 on the Nanytmoel Rugby Field.

Please ensure you read the email carefully as it has details regarding younger siblings being able to attend the afternoon event and procedures for this. We really want to make Sports Day a fun family event for all!

### IMPORTANT:

Light refreshments will be available to purchase at the two outdoor events. However please do not purchase items and give them to pupils at event. They are for families attending or can be purchased to give to pupils once the events are over.

You will not be able to pass snacks to pupils,. As this is a sporting event we do not want pupils having fizzy drinks during this time as they may end up with a stitch or bad stomach.



Today the school was full of colour for our Rainbow Day.

Thank you to everyone who donated items of colour to go towards our Summer Fete Hampers. We really appreciate these.



# Our School Site

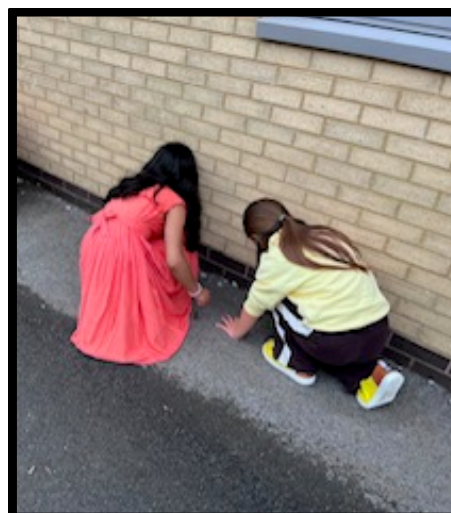
Through the Summer Holidays we will be tidying up site. There are several spaces which need work and updating. This obviously takes time and money. We have developed some great outdoor spaces and worked at pace this year to make changes.

## ***NEXT PART.....***

The area adjacent to the staff car park, which is currently surrounded by a damaged fence, is next on our development list. During the school holidays, the existing fencing will be removed and replaced with new, secure fencing. This area needs to remain enclosed due to the nearby on-site road.

Our long-term vision is to transform this space into a dedicated wellbeing area, including the development of an outdoor wellbeing hub. This facility will not only support our pupils and their families but will also provide a valuable resource for the wider community.

We are actively involving our pupils in improving the school environment. They have been taking part in litter-picking and weeding activities to help tidy the site. Through these opportunities, we aim to encourage pupils to take pride in their school and develop a sense of ownership and responsibility for their surroundings.



# LAST ONE OF THE YEAR!



**ALL IN DAY!**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

Let's get every pupil in school!  
Winning classes will receive a prize!  
\*Pre-booked absences are counted fairly.



## Criw Cymraeg

**WELSH PHRASE OF THE WEEK**  
**PA UN WYT TI EISIAU?**  
**WHICH ONE DO YOU WANT?**



Do not forget to email Friends Of if you wish to have your own stall at our Summer Fair

**OGMORE VALE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# SUMMER FAIR

**BOOK A STALL!**

Be part of a fantastic day for our school  
and local community! ♥

**Thursday, 2nd July!**

**STALL  
TABLES  
ONLY  
£10**

- ♥ Promote your business
- ★ Support our school
- 👥 Great community event
- 🛍️ All stalls welcome!  
(Crafts, Gifts, Treats,  
Toys, Pre-loved & more)

**TO BOOK YOUR STALL, EMAIL:**

✉️ **Friendsofov@gmail.com**

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FOOD  
GAMES  
♥  
COMMUNITY**

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