

Headteachers Message

This week, it has been wonderful to see how well the children have settled into their new learning environments and built positive relationships with their teachers. Some areas of the school are currently undergoing development. For example, our school lounge, where we hold parental coffee mornings and other community sessions, has been temporarily relocated while improvements are being made. We are currently decorating and enhancing this space to ensure it provides a comfortable, welcoming and calm environment for everyone who uses it. We will be starting up our ALN coffee mornings soon which we know were really well received and useful to our families. It was fantastic to see the level of uptake for our extra-curricular experiences as they began this week. We had lots of happy, enthusiastic faces attending. Please do not forget that our library is open to families every Tuesday after school. In addition, children who travel home by bus or taxi can access the library during Tuesday lunchtime to borrow books. We are continuing with our Library Loyalty cards, see later in this newsletter for more information.

We are really looking forward to seeing lots of our families at our Macmillan coffee morning next Friday and the children are excited to share their Harvest songs with an audience.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Leanne Brown (Headteacher)

Week Ahead

Monday 21st Sept
HT Assembly - Pupil Voice and opportunity

Tuesday 22nd September:
Baby and Toddler Group
Year 1 Hearing Tests

Wednesday 23rd Sept
Savers Club

Thursday 24th Sept
Kerb Craft session - Year 2

Friday 25th Sept:

Macmillan Coffee Morning
9.15am- Main Hall - all welcome

Employability Basic ICT Skills course



MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Ogmore Vale Primary

Friday 25th September

9:15am | Main School Hall



Pupils will be singing a selection of Harvest Songs

Everyone welcome
friends and family.

Starts 9.15am

In the main hall

Please bring small
change for
purchases of tea/
coffee and cakes.

All donations will
be given to
Macmillan Cancer
support.

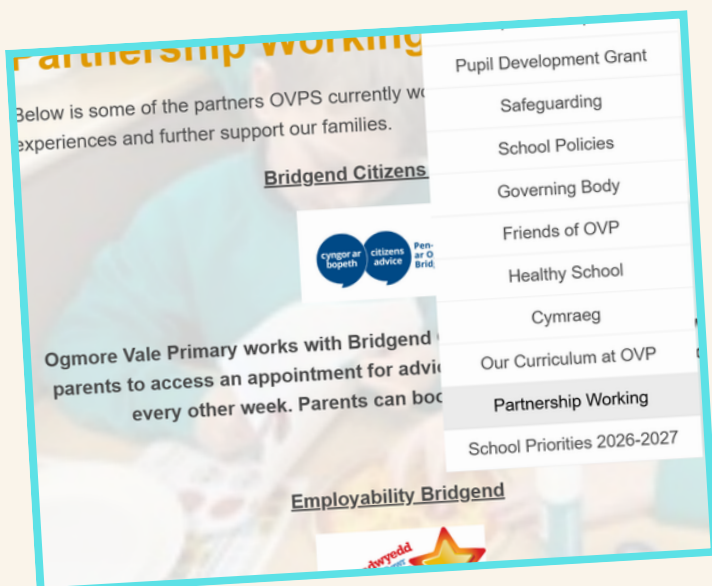
Pupils will perform
some Harvest
songs to the
audience.

Updates



We are currently in the process of updating our school prospectus for 2026-2027 with a whole new look. Once this is complete we will email it to all of our families and it will also be available on our school website.

We have added a useful Healthy School section to our website with information about what we do in school to encourage and educate our pupils regarding a healthy lifestyle. We also have our healthy schools policy on here and advice regarding Healthy Lunchboxes.



We also have new page dedicated to the Partnership work we are undertaking. We have strong links with several services which allows us to further support our families.

Mini SLT



Our Mini SLT are now all appointed and very excited to have had their first meeting. They all have note books to record any messages from class mates and pass these on. We are looking forward to hearing their views and ideas.

USE YOUR
WELSH!



Phrase of the week
Croeso Nol
Welcome back

Criw Cymraeg

Our Criw Cymraeg help Mrs Mallinson lead Weekly Welsh Assembly. They also update the Phrase of the week boards and lead key Welsh events.



Pob lwc Criw
Cymraeg

OGMORE VALE WEEKLY NEWS



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

This week saw the launch of all our extra-curricular opportunities, and it has been amazing to see how many pupils have been involved. We have received a huge response and have had to create reserve lists for most clubs. This is fantastic news and shows that the opportunities we are providing are engaging, enjoyable, and valued by our pupils.



**Conservation
Club Year 3-6**



**Grow and Play
Club Year 2-6**

We have had a good response to MAD SCIENCE running again- this means we will go forward and arrange this and will notify parents when it is set up.



OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY



Library Visit Card- 10 stamps to choose an item from the library shop

Name _____

Class _____



Loyalty Library Scheme

Last year, we successfully ran our Loyalty Library Scheme, and we are delighted to be continuing it this academic year.

Children who collect 10 library visits will be able to choose a prize from our Library Shop. We will continue to remind pupils to have their loyalty cards stamped at each visit.

It is wonderful to see so many pupils enjoying borrowing books and visiting the library with their families. We are working hard to foster a love of reading and to make it an important part of our pupils' lives. Thank you for your continued support in encouraging children to read regularly at home.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." — Dr. Seuss

In the Community

FREE!

Employability Bridgend

Basic IT Skills Sessions

Discover effective strategies for improving your IT skills.

16.09.26	The Mem Community Centre, Nantymoel
25.09.26	Ogmore Vale Primary School, Ogmore Vale
29.09.26	Maesteg Town Hall, Maesteg
06.10.26	Garw Valley Leisure Centre, Pontycymmer
13.10.26	Halo Bridgend Life Centre, Bridgend
19.11.26	HI-TIDE, Porthcawl
24.11.26	Halo Bridgend Life Centre, Bridgend

BOOK TODAY!
*Spaces are limited

All sessions start at 9:30am and finish at 2:30pm.



INTERESTED AND WANT MORE INFORMATION?
CONTACT US TODAY!

 employability@bridgend.gov.uk  01656 815317

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 Bridgend

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Commission for Work

 Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

 Nathan Aspinall

YOU ARE INVITED TO

THE BIG BONT BASH

 PENYBONT

FREE ENTRY
DOORS OPEN 12PM

BONT

AIRBUS UK BROUGHTON

SAT 26 SEPT | 14:30 KO
DRAGONBET STADIUM

 CYMRU PREMIER

FUN DAY FOR ALL THE FAMILY

FOOD AND DRINK

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND ACTIVITIES

& MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED!

WANT TO PLAY YOUR PART IN THE BIG BONT BASH?

To find out more about vendor opportunities, email:
opportunities@penybontfc.cymru



WE ARE PENYBONT



Year 6

Q&A Evening

Thursday 24th September 2026
CCYD MAIN HALL

4.30pm - 6.30pm

**You are invited to explore our departments,
have a taster of CCYD lessons and get a
feel for the school!**

Miss Olivia Wellington
Transition Co-Ordinator

**Any Questions
PLEASE CALL US
01656 815920**

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Heol Yr Ysgol, Tondy, CF32 9EG



Welcome to the SHINE Padlet



Shine



Schools INreach Emotional
Wellbeing Service

This is an innovative platform that facilitates communication between parents/carers, school staff & external organisations.

It works as an online noticeboard.

Take a look at all our excellent resources, information & signposting.

Please click on the link or scan here to access a wealth of SHINE original resources:

<https://padlet.com/camhsshine1/camhs-shine-whole-school-approach-service-xzhh9qfp7el2sgzc>



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CYMRU
NHS
WALES

Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol
Cwm Taf Morgannwg
University Health Board

You can help save lives

Please support your
local blood donation
session at

LIFE CENTRE
Ogmore Vale

Wed 30 Sep



Start your lifesaving journey today

<https://wbs.wales/OgmoreValleyLC>