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Headteachers Message

It is hard to believe that next week we will already be in December. With only three weeks left before the Christmas holidays, we have a very busy and exciting few weeks ahead, including dress rehearsals, concerts, our Christmas Fayre and Breakfast with Santa.

Our concert rehearsals are now well underway, and it has been wonderful to hear Christmas songs echoing throughout the school. The excitement is certainly building among both pupils and staff.

A reminder that next Friday is an INSET Day, and school will be closed to all pupils while staff undertake important professional learning and training.

The Friends of OVPS will be hosting their Breakfast with Santa on Saturday 5th December from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Please note that this is a ticketed event, and tickets must be purchased online in advance.

A December calendar was sent home this week to help families keep track of all the events and activities taking place throughout the month. We encourage you to keep it somewhere handy as there is certainly a lot happening.

Next week, the school will also be moving to a new data management system. We are transitioning from SIMS to Bromcom, which is now being adopted by all schools across BCBC. As with any large-scale change, there may be some minor teething problems during the transition period. We appreciate your patience and understanding and will keep families updated if there are any changes that may affect you.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to a fantastic and festive few weeks ahead.

Mrs Leanne Brown (Headteacher)

Week Ahead

Monday 30th November

Tuesday 1st December

- **Baby and Toddler group**

Wednesday 2nd November

- **Savers club**
- **Nursery/ Reception evening performance of concert 5pm**

Thursday 3rd November

- **Nursery and Reception afternoon performance of concert 1.30pm**
- **Football and Netball tournament for various Year 5/6 pupils**

Friday 4th November

- **INSET DAY- SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS STAFF UNDERTAKING TRAINING**

Saturday 5th - BREAKFAST WITH SANTA EVENT

Reminders

INSET DAY

Monday 4th January 2027

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We are delighted to announce that one of our Year 3 pupils has won a Bridgend Country Borough Competition!

Following the judging of entries submitted to the Learner Voice - Bridgend Transformation Strategy Poster Competition, we are very pleased to announce that Robbie's poster was awarded First Place.

The competition entries were reviewed by Local Authority officers, and Robbie's submission achieved the highest overall score of all entries received. Robbie has won a £50.00 voucher for himself but has also won £500 for our school!





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Christmas Jumper Day 2026












This year the

Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day is

Thursday the 10th of December

Pupils will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper or christmas themed outfits during this day.

Nursery and Reception are at FUZE on a trip but can still wear their jumpers. It is the school Christmas Fayre after school on this day so will fit nicely.

If your child does not have a Christmas Jumper we have lots at school which you are very welcome to access. If you wish to do so please email admin and we will give you a ring to organise.






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Christmas Calendar



Parental Questionnaire

A huge thank you to eveyrone who completed our parental questionnaire it really does help us to self -evaluate where we are.

We know that in a school with alot of children sometimes things will go wrong. However we will always endevour to make every effort to put things right.

We have recieved lots of positive feedback so far and some ideas to move forward.





Duck Day

It finally arrived

Thursday 26th November was our first Duck Day





Our first Duck Day sent waves of excitement around the school and our pupils were so pleased to get their ducks to take home. Mrs Balchin was a fantastic ambassador for Duck Day in her outfit!



Ogmore Vale Primary's

CHRISTMAS TOY POP UP

Collecting untill
Friday 11th December

You can help spread joy and love this holiday season by donating new or nearly new toys for children. Your generous contributions will bring smiles to many faces, whose families may be dreading the Christmas season due to financial difficulties.

How to Donate:
Drop off your gifts at Ogmore Vale Primary School Office.

What to Bring:
New or in excellent condition toys, crafts, books and games suitable for ages 0-18. Please do not donate clothes.

Our Toy Pop up will take place in The Lounge between 9:00am-11:00am on Wednesday 16TH December. Don't struggle this year. We know that many families will be dreading the Christmas period and that this can be a difficult time financially. Please get in touch in privately with Maria via balchinm5@hwbcymru.net if you need extra support.





New Initiative to encourage our pupils to maintain healthy lifestyles.







Join some of our staff at the Porthcawl junior parkrun on Sunday 6th December

Ogmore Valley Male Voice Choir

Present

Carols at Bethlehem

With

Nantymoel Primary School

Ogmore Vale Primary School

Friday

11th December 2026

Commencing at 6.30 pm

CanolfanBethlehem Centre

Commercial St., Ogmore Vale CF32 7BL

Admission Free

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Christmas Events

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday 5th December

Christmas Events

Christmas Fayre

Thursday 10th December

