

# OGMORE VALE WEEKLY NEWS



## Headteachers Message

We started the week discussing what 'Belonging' means to our pupils. Many of our pupils expressed a strong sense of Belonging within our school and talked thoughtfully about what they would miss if they did not come to school.

It has been another busy week in the classroom with lots of important learning going on. We have been busy making the final adjustments to our library which will be up and running ready for the opening next Tuesday after-school. We really hope lots of you visit and take the opportunity to borrow books. All pupils will be allowed to borrow up to 3 books a week maximum and must return them the following week. Families do not have to come to the library the following week to return (although they can if they wish). We will have a returns basket which the School Librarians will go through on a Tuesday to ensure all returned books are logged back onto the electronic system.

I am really keen to ensure all pupils at Ogmores Vale Primary have the resources they need and deserve. Our library will serve as a great way for pupils to access a huge range of literature. We are hoping to also add magazine subscriptions in the New Year and we will conduct a 'Pupil Voice' exercise after Christmas which will allow us to know the most popular choices.

Thank you to everyone who completed our Pastoral Questionnaire during parents evenings. You would have received feedback from this during the week via email. The workshop options parents selected have been looked at and will be acted upon in the New Year. We are in discussions with a range of agencies about the support that is most wanted by our families. Thank you, as always for your continued support,

Mrs Leanne Brown (Headteacher)



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### The week ahead

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec:

HT Assembly: The True meaning of Christmas

9am- Drop- in Coffee Morning

Year 2 and Year 5 Fire Safety Talks

#### Tuesday 2nd Dec:

- Baby and Toddler Group 9am-10am
- Baby Yoga with Dee- 10am
- Year 6 - Attendance Matters workshops
- Family Library Opening 3pm-4pm

#### Thursday 4th Dec:

- School Christmas Fayre- 3pm-4.30pm

#### Friday 5th Dec:

- ALL IN DAY- Attendance Drive
- Pupils can wear Christmas jumper every Friday in December (please wear uniform other days)
- Year 6 working with Ospreys Rugby



# Attendance check in -This Half Term

Week 1: 90.9%

Week 2: 94%

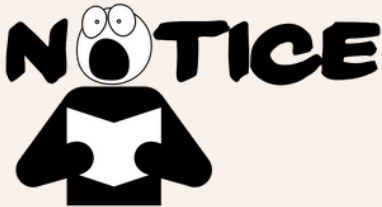
Week 3: 93.2%

Week 4: 90.9%



## Reminder of Prize draw

Don't forget our Prize draw for all families who children have over 92% attendance for the whole term will take place on the last week of term. The Prize is a £50.00 voucher of your choice which we will get to you before school breaks up for Christmas!



We will be having another

ALL IN DAY

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Let's see how many classes achieve 100% this time.



## Phrase of the Week:

Beth Sy'n Bod?

What's the Matter?

# Rights Respecting Competition



**Comisiynydd Plant Cymru**  
Children's Commissioner for **Wales**

As you will remember we launched a Whole School Competition last week regarding a Children's Right Poster.

We have had some amazing entries.

We are in the process of selecting the Winner.

The winner is being announced in HT assembly on Monday look out for the announcement in next weeks' Newsletter

## The Panto is coming..



**On the last day of term**

(Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December as Friday 19<sup>th</sup> is an  
INSET DAY).

**We will be having a Pantomime Performance in  
school for all pupils called the  
'Roaming Gnome'**

We are asking for a £2.00 contribution from each child . Can this be brought in on the day please. We want to make the last day as fun as and as magical for our pupils during this exciting time, a Pantomime is a fun way to do this. 'Oh no it isn't!- Oh yes it is!'



## Fridays in December are Christmas Jumper Days

Next week is the beginning of December. Our pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper every Friday in December which are:

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December -INSET DAY School closed  
***Please ensure your child/ children is in school uniform on the other days, we are really having a drive on school uniform at the moment.***

They do not need two Christmas jumpers just wear the same one on both days, if your child does not have one we have lots of Christmas jumpers available - just call in and you can pop to the longue and pick one from the rail.



# Parents Evening Engagement

On Tuesday we sent out an email with a more detailed feedback from our parents evenings parental questionnaires. We are delighted with the feedback! Thank you so much.



**HEADS UP!**

The first Monday back is an  
INSET DAY.

School will reopen for pupils  
on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January.**

All staff will be undertaking  
some important professional  
development on the  
Monday.



If anyone would be kind enough to donate some prizes for our Tombola for the Christmas Fayre we would be so grateful.

We have some prizes already but wanted to add to this. If anyone has anything they could donate such as cosmetics, , small toys and games, food such as tins and jars. If you wish to donate anything simply send into school with your child **by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.** Huge thank you in advance!



# Christmas Fayre

4th December  
15.00 til 16.30

Main Hall, Ogmore Vale  
Primary School

*Come join us for our annual Christmas  
Fayre!*

If you would like a stall please  
contact  
[friendsofov@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofov@gmail.com) or our  
Facebook page





# Our new Family Library at OVP

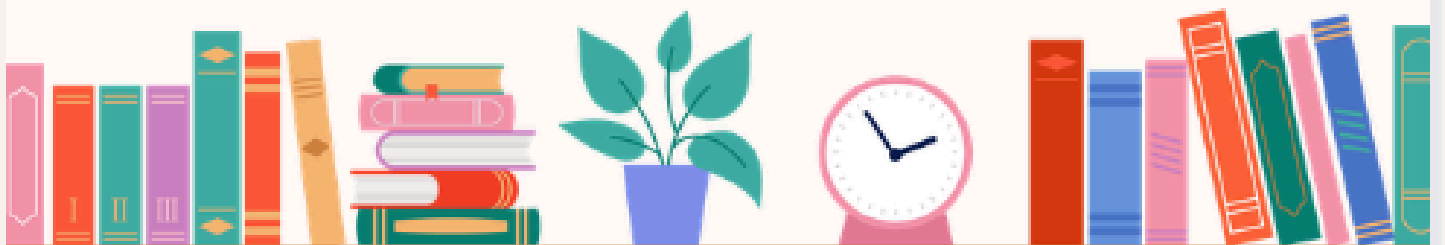


*Opening Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of December*

**3PM-4PM**

We have a great variety of fiction and non-fiction books available to lend for a week.

We cannot wait to welcome you!



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# CHRISTMAS TOY POP UP

Collecting until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 - 19.

Please do not donate clothes.

Our Toy Pop Up will take place in the Lounge 2:00pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December and 8:45am Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Don't struggle this year.

We know that many families will be dreading the Christmas period and this can be a difficult time financially. Please get in touch with Maria via [Balchinm5@hwbcymru.net](mailto:Balchinm5@hwbcymru.net) if you need extra support.



Let's create some special moments of joy this Christmas.