

OGMORE VALE WEEKLY NEWS



Headteachers Message

This week I have been in and out of classes and seen lots of very engaging learning experiences taking place. I have seen really hands-on activities and lots of great outdoor learning even in the bad weather.

One thing I always notice when I am walking around the school is how polite our pupils are. They always hold the door for me and often ask how I am. I am also impressed that they always say good morning or good afternoon in Welsh to me, and then often say 'Croeso' when I thank them for holding the door.

We had 8 pupils in the Gold Book this week which is such wonderful news! Later in this newsletter is information regarding parental workshops and our Valentines 'Glow Disco' organised by our Friends of Ogmores Vale group. If you book online your child will get a FREE Glow Stick!

Our staff are getting out and about engaging in lots of really important professional development which in turn will have an impact on teaching and learning and pupil progress. This week Mr Hanford has been finding out more about AI being used in Education and how we can use this effectively in the classroom. Mrs Adams and Mrs Bradley have attended the Early Years Conference to ensure we are always up to date with best practice for our youngest learners.

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

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The Week Ahead

Monday 26th January:

- HT Assembly- 'Differences in us'.
- Coffee Morning- all welcome.
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Tuesday 27th January

- Baby and Toddler Group 9am.
- First session of Nurture Parenting course (Introduction).
- Attendance Workshop for Year 4 pupils.

Wednesday 28th January

- Savers Club.
- Fun Phonics 1.45pm for reception families.

Thursday 29th January

- 9am Cuppa with the Headteacher.
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Friday 30th January

- ALENCO Coffee Morning (see poster later in this letter) with our ALENCo and FEO.

Library Incentive

We are working hard to encourage our pupils and families to visit our School Library Facility. Therefore we are starting an incentive from **next week**.

The library is open to families after school on a **Tuesday 3pm-4pm**. Pupils who get a taxi or bus to school are able to visit the library to borrow resources on a Tuesday Lunchtime. Pupils who attend an after-school club on a Tuesday can also use the library at this time.

Each pupil who visits will get a **Library Visit card**. Every time they visit whether they decide to take out a book or not they will have their card stamped (they must remember the library visit card, it may be a good idea to keep it in school bag).

Once they get all 10 books stamped they can choose a prize from our

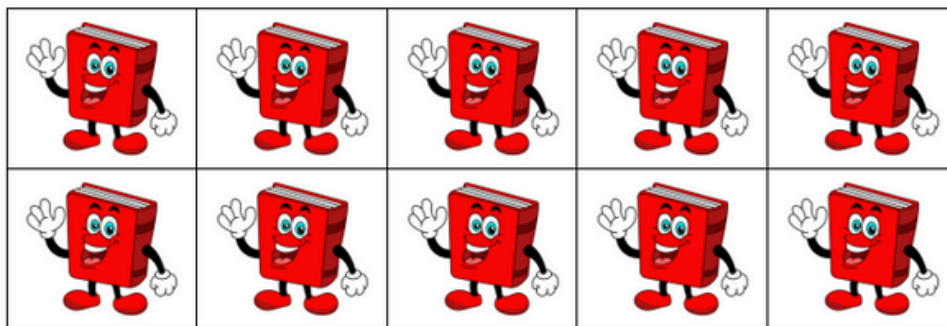
'Library Shop'

which has a range of lovely stationary items to chose from.

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

Name _____

Class _____



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Phrase of the week:

Beth wyt ti'n eisiau?

What do you want?

We follow BCBC attendance procedures to monitor pupil attendance. We work closely as an Attendance Team and meet every 3 weeks with our Education Welfare Support Officer.

Our ATTENDANCE TEAM IN SCHOOL ARE:

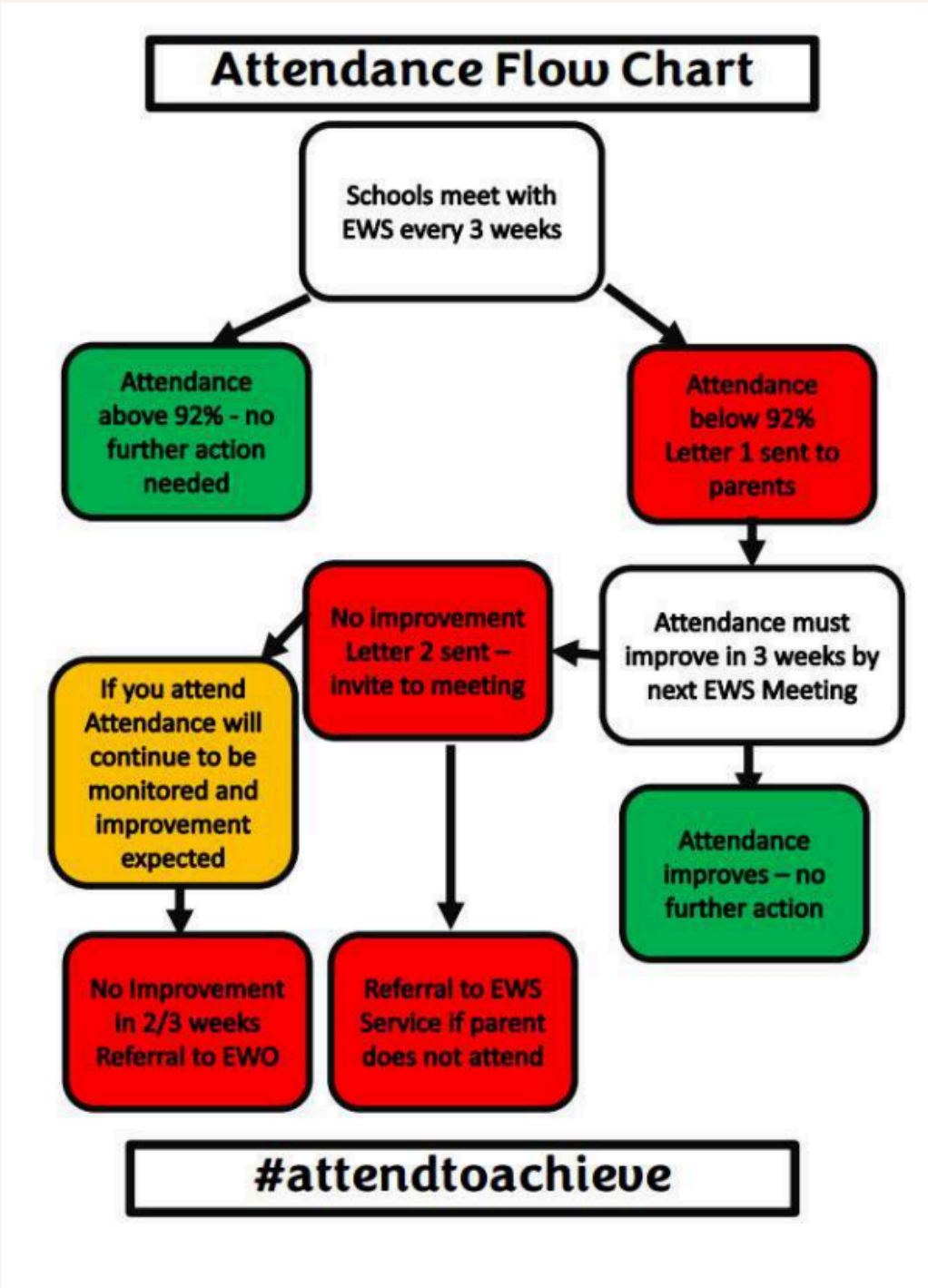
Mrs Brown (Headteacher)

Mr Hanford (Deputy Headteacher)

Mrs Bradley (ALENCo)

Mrs Balchin (Family Engagement Officer)

Mrs Danielle Barcham (Education Welfare Officer)



Parental Workshops


One of the questions on our Parental Questionnaire at Parents Evenings was:

What workshops would you find most useful?

You would have received the poster below via email this week to show how we are addressing family requests.

Parental/ Family Workshops

Our parental/ family surveys undertaken during Autumn Parents week asked families which workshops would they be most interested in attending. The results are below and the actions we will take.

 **Behaviour Management/ Nurture Course**
17 Responses

Actions:


- 8 Week Nurture course starting 27TH January- open to all families.
- Introduction to Challenging Behaviour course ran by SHINE Thursday 5th March 2pm.

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Supporting my child to learn how to read/ phonics.
16 Responses

Actions:


- Fun Phonics starting on 28th January for Reception families.

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3 **Internet Safety**
16 Responses

Actions:

Our Digital Leads will be designing and presenting an informative family presentation around INTERNET SAFETY DAY - date to follow.

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Supporting my child in Maths.
13 Responses

Actions:

- Mr Hanford will be leading maths support groups for families in the second part of the Spring Term- dates to follow.

At Ogmore Vale we listen and respond to family feedback.

ALN Coffee Morning

Does your child:

- have an IDP?
- have a diagnosis of ASD or ADHD?
- have a current referral for either ASD or ADHD?

If you answered 'yes' to any of the above, please join us for our a coffee and a catch up.




Friday 30th January

9am

The Lounge

**With Mrs Bradley &
Mrs Balchin**





GLOW DISCO

oyps main hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

INFANTS 3.10-4.10

JUNIORS 4.15-5.15

TICKETS: £2.50

Book using QR code or visit
[www.pta-
events.com/friendsofognmoreva
leprimary](http://www.pta-events.com/friendsofognmoreva-leprimary)

FREE GLOWSTICKS FOR ONLINE BOOKINGS!





[Ospreys in the community](#)

Ospreys in the Community Camps, will be running in the February half term and are open to primary-school-aged children of all abilities.

The camps are designed to be fun, active and inclusive, giving children the opportunity to:

- Stay active and healthy
 - Build confidence and teamwork skills
 - Take part in rugby-based games and activities led by experienced coaches
 - Enjoy a safe, positive environment during the school holidays
- Camp information and booking link:

<https://www.ospreysrugby.com/community/defender-rugby-camps>

They are also running a girls only rugby camp in February for pupils in year 6 to year 9, They have 30 spaces available for this camp and would love to sell it out and promote girls' rugby within the Ospreys region.

<https://tktp.as/EFYXWG/charlie-mundy>