

# OGMORE VALE WEEKLY NEWS



## Headteachers Message

On Monday our Digital Leaders updated us in assembly about their work and how they will be supporting Safer Internet Day next week.

I have spent time this week seeking the views of our pupils and undertaking pupil questionnaires. Later in this newsletter you will be able to read the highlights from those sessions. Talking to the pupils to get their views and ideas is very important to me.

I would like to thank all of our families who have really supported us in our 'School Uniform Drive'. Our pupils are looking so smart and many of the pupils have said they feel more focused.

Last week we were under the 92% Welsh Government Target for attendance. With this in mind can we try our very best to be in school unless poorly. It would be amazing to get some classes at 100% next week. Later in this newsletter you will see information about the homebased competition for this years' Eisteddfod.

Mrs Leanne Brown (Headteacher)

## SPRING 1 WK 5

### The Week Ahead

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February

- HT Assembly- Healthy Lifestyles.
- Coffee Morning- Mr Hanford will attend if anyone would like to meet out New DHT.

#### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February

- **Safer Internet Day** - Digital Leaders to present Assembly.
- Baby and Toddler Group 9am.
- 9.30am Nurture Parenting course (Week 3).
- Attendance Workshop for Year 5/ 6 pupils Miss Owens class.

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

- Savers Club.

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

- 'Glow Disco' after school- NO MULTI-SPORTS.
- Nursery- Year 2 (3.10pm-4.10pm).
- Year 3- Year 6 (4.15pm- 5.15pm).
- Bristol Aquarium Trip for classes 8, 9 and 10.

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

- Last day of half term.
- 'Fa la la' Welsh workshops for all classes.
- Bakehouse Brew parked in staff car park if any families wish to purchase from 2.45pm.

# Pupil Questionnaires and Listening to our Learners

This week we spoke to a range of pupils across the school to gather their views. It is vital for our learners to be the most important stakeholder in the school and have their say.

**100% of our pupils said they felt safe in school.**

**When asked if they enjoyed school all pupils (except one) said yes. The one pupil explained they did not like getting up early for school!**

**All pupils were able to give examples of how they make improvements to their work.**

**When asked what they like most about school the most popular responses were:**

- Learning new things
- Clubs in school
- Seeing friends
- Using the outdoor learning spaces

# Maths at OVP

As mentioned during the Autumn Term one of our School Improvement Targets is based around further developing how we teach maths. As part of this Mrs Brown, Mr Hanford and Mr Phillips our School Improvement Partner (which every school in BCBC has) visited every class to see maths in action.

We are so proud of our pupils who not only displayed the most amazing numerical skills but their attitude to their work and behaviour was outstanding. We saw many excellent lessons and lots of work that was challenging our pupils thinking. Thank you to all of our wonderful staff who plan such engaging learning experiences every day.



**We saw so many hands- on exciting maths activities which really got all of our pupils engaged.**



**The outdoor Learning was excellent and featured across the whole school.**



**We saw lots of examples of pupil voice and how our pupils have influenced the learning.**

# New club Opportunity



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1. Create your parent account
2. Add your child's details
3. Book Your Course

**OGMORE VALE PRIMARY**

**THURSDAY**

**30th April**  
**7th, 14th, 21st May**  
**4th, 11th, 18th, 25th June 2026**

**DEADLINE- 19th March 2026**

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## Spark Their Curiosity REGISTER & BOOK TODAY!

Leaflets have been sent home after our MAD SCIENCE assembly. To sign your child up simply scan the QR code and complete your details. The club will take place every Thursday after the Easter break with the first session being held on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April.** There was some confusion on the leaflet that was given to us to be sent home. It is an 8 WEEK club **not** 10 weeks.

# Criw Cymraeg .



Phrase of the week:  
'Sut wyt ti heddiw?  
'How are you today?'



## School Eisteddfod

Our school Eisteddfod this year will take place on Monday 2nd March. We will spend the week after half term completing lots of lovely Welsh themed activities and competition entries in preparation for the big day.

### **Our Art competition is back!**

This year we are again encouraging children to complete the Art competition at home. They can use any media, including digital art, to produce a piece of artwork entitled

**'Colourful Cymru'**.

Last year's entries were fantastic! The variety and quality of the artwork blew us away! We can't wait to see what you come up with this year!

Please can all entries be brought in to school by **Wednesday 25th February**. Please ensure that entries are clearly labelled with the child's full name and class.

Thank you as always for your support!

# ARE YOU A YOUNG CARER?



- Are you under the age of 18?
- Do you help look after someone in your family?
- The person you look after could be ill, elderly, have a learning or physical disability, substance or alcohol misuse or a mental health condition

**If you are a young carer we can:**

**Give one to one support**

**Information on carers issues**

**Peer support - including trips and monthly groups**

**Support to manage your caring role alongside your education**

**We also support Young Adult Carers aged 16 - 25.**

**Training opportunities**

**If you would like more information please contact Bridgend Carers Centre**



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**If your child is a young carer please do ensure you have informed the school. There are lots of resources and support we can access for you as a school.**



# GLOW DISCO

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

INFANTS 3.10-4.10

JUNIORS 4.15-5.15

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