



Dates for the Diary...



Headteacher's Newsletter

Issue 2

- 3.10.24 Nursery photographs.
- 8.10.24 Nursery/Reception Falconry visit to school.
- 9.10.24 Harvest donations end.
- 10.10.24 Harvest assembly with Rev. Walker.
- 14.10.24 Colofoto individuals and siblings in school photos.
- 14.10.24 Mrs. Roberts' (Hawthorn) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 15.10.24 Mrs. Thomas' (seedlings) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 15.10.24 Mrs. McNally's (Maple) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 16.10.24 Mrs. O'Brien's (Birch) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 16.10.24 Nasal Flu administration by school nurses.
- 17.10.24 Mrs. Purnell's (Rowan) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 18.10.24 Wear It Pink for breast cancer charity day.
- 21.10.24 Mr. Humphreys' / Mrs. Lewis' (Oak) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 21.10.24 Autumn disco.
- 22.10.24 Mrs. McKay's (Holly) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 23.10.24 Mrs. Harris' (Willow) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 24.10.24 Mr. Sadd's (Cherry) parent consultations 9am-5pm.
- 24.10.24 Hydro-Energy school visit (Y6).
- 25.10.24 Last day of school for children- half term holidays.
- 4.11.24 Children return to school from the half term holidays.
- 15.11.24 Children in Need day.
- 29.11.24 Y1-Y6 Christmas concert dress rehearsal for Nursery / Reception pupils.
- 29.11.24 Rags2riches charity clothes collection.
- 2.12.24 Years 1-6 children's Christmas concert for grandparents (10am).
- 3.12.24 Years 1-6 children's Christmas concert for parents/guardians (10am).
- 4.12.24 Nursery and Reception children's Christmas concert dress rehearsal for Years 1-6 (10am).
- 4.12.24 Years 1-6 children's Christmas concert for parents / guardians (6pm).
- 5.12.24 Nursery and Reception children's Christmas concert for parents / guardians (10am).



- 6.12.24 Years 1-6 children's Christmas concert for relatives (10am).
- 11.12.24 Christmas dinner and 'Save The Children' Christmas jumper charity event.
- 12.12.24 Xmas disco. Wear party clothes to school.
- 16.12.24 Nursery-Year 2 Christmas assembly with Rev. Walker.
- 16.12.24 Years 3-6 choir to Pysgah Chapel.
- 17.12.24 Christingle service at Mawdian (Years 3-6) at 1:30pm with Afon Y Felin Primary pupils.
- 19.12.24 Whole school Christingle service.
- 19.12.24 Last day of school for children- Christmas holidays.
- 20.12.24 INSET day school closed for pupils.
- 6.1.25 INSET day- school closed for pupils.
- 7.1.25 Children return to school from the Christmas holidays.
- 6.1.25 Y4 start swimming lessons (10am) daily until 17.1.25.
- 6.1.25 Y5 start swimming lessons (11am) daily until 10.1.25.
- 13.1.25 Y6 start swimming lesson block (11am) daily until 17.1.25.
- 21.2.25 Last day of school for children- half term holidays.
- 3.3.25 Children return to school from the half term holidays.
- 7.3.25 Eisteddfod- whole school.
- 10.3.25 Book Looks for parents (3:15pm in your child's class).
- 13.3.25 Young Carers Day.
- 14.3.25 Red Nose day.
- 17.3.25 World Book Day.
- 2.4.25 Colofoto class photos and Year 6 leavers photos.
- 9.4.25 Easter service with Rev. Walker.
- 11.4.25 Easter Bonnets / Crazy Hair Parade (2pm).
- 11.4.25 Last day of school for children- Easter holidays.

Welcome...

I can't believe it is October already! What a wonderful first month the children have had. I have thoroughly enjoyed working as part of Team Corneli and look forward to the months ahead! As you can see the diary for this year is jammed packed and I am delighted to provide you with a comprehensive overview of events we plan to offer this academic year. We may add to this list as the year progresses; the monthly newsletters will focus on upcoming events.



I am eager to establish a PTA for Corneli Primary. A PTA is a Parent Teacher Association, an organisation with a mission to make the school a better place for children to learn. A PTA brings together parents, teachers and children to raise funds and strengthen the school community. Money raised is usually spent on things that the school budget does not cover.

If you are interested in being a part of this, please speak to the school office. Harvest is fast approaching. We will be collecting food donations which will be donated to our local Big Bocs Bwyd. We have asked the cluster schools to support this too! **#foodforthecommunity**

- 28.4.25 Children return to school from the Easter holidays.
- 5.5.25 May Day Bank holiday- school closed.
- 22.5.25 Last day of school for children- half term Whitsun holidays.
- 23.5.25 Cynffig cluster INSET day- school closed for pupils.
- 2.6.25 Children return to school from the Whitsun holidays.
- 12.6.25 Family Fun Day (Nursery-Year 2 Sports morning (9:30am), picnic lunch, disco and stalls in the afternoon.
- 23.6.25 Year 3- Year 6 Sports morning (9:30am).
- 25.6.25 Transition day.
- 3.7.25 Parent consultation meetings, if required (from 3:15pm).
- 15.7.25 Year 6 Leavers concert dress rehearsal for whole school.
- 17.7.25 Year 6 Leavers concert (2pm).
- 18.7.25 Last day of school for children for this year.
- 21.7.25 INSET day- school closed.

Admin... Contact us...

01656 754850 or admin@cornelips.bridgend.cymru or check out our school website www.cornelipriamary.com We also have secure class Dojo pages too.



School attendance...

Overall: September's attendance was **92%**, an awesome start to the year. Our September attendance for classes are:

- Class 1 Seedlings... 91.4%**
- Class 2 Willow... 90.7%**
- Class 3 Holly... 89.5%**
- Class 4 Rowan... 88.7%**
- Class 5 Birch... 91.4%**
- Class 6 Cherry...90.9%**
- Class 7 Hawthorn...88.8%**
- Class 8 Oak...85%**
- Class 9 Maple... 90%**



If your child is ill, please inform the school office by 9:30am. You can leave a message if the line is busy. It is important for us to know why your child is absent as our Education Welfare Officer (EWO) checks our registers regularly. Any child that has been unaccounted for 72hours will result in Laurie Baldwin, our Education Welfare Officer calling to carry out a welfare check.

If a child misses school, they are missing out on vital learning.

#attendtoachieve

Criw Cymraeg...



Sut wyt ti?
How are you?
Sut mae'r tywydd?
How is the weather?

Attendance...

Attendance, since Covid, has been an ongoing nationwide problem. When children are not in school, they are unable to achieve. Local Authorities have plans to closely monitor attendance and support parents so that a child's attendance is 95% and over, which is classed as good attendance. See below the general information the Local Authority has provided us.



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RE: School Attendance- General Information

Dear Parent/Carer,

As a school, we strive to improve and encourage the attendance of all our pupils to ensure they achieve their full potential.

You will be aware attendance protocols were relaxed during the COVID-19 pandemic but Welsh Government announced that Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for non-attendance at schools have been reintroduced.

We understand that the last few years have been particularly challenging and hope to work closely with all families to ensure you and your child are fully supported in attending school, and that FPNs can be avoided.

However, FPNs may be considered in the following circumstances:

- where there is a minimum of 10 unauthorised sessions (5 school days) in the current term (these do not need to be consecutive);
- pupils are persistently arriving after the close of the registration period (that is, more than 10 sessions in the current term);
- where parent/carers have failed to engage with the school and/or the education welfare service in attempts to improve attendance but where court sanctions have not been instigated;
- a period of absence from school due to a holiday that was not authorised by school; and/or
- a pupil has regularly come to the attention of the police during school hours and is absent from school without an acceptable reason.

Attendance at school is compulsory and is a legal requirement. We appreciate that pupils may be unwell on occasions, but it is important in these instances that you inform the school in a timely manner with the reasons for absence.

Should you wish to discuss your child's school attendance in more detail or require additional support to improve your child's attendance, please do get in touch.

Thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. K. Pryse
Headteacher

Remember...

