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GEORGE STREET PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Friday 20 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

There has been a variety of exciting activities and experiences across the school this week, including the first swimming session of the year for Year 5 and the start of the first after school clubs of the Autumn term.

FLU VACCINATIONS

A reminder that this year's nasal flu vaccinations for all children in Reception-Year 6 will be administered by the school nursing service in school on Thursday, 26th September.

Please use this link to register your consent for your child to be vaccinated. https://linktr.ee/schoolfluab

Registration needs to be completed by Tuesday 24th September.



VICTORIAN WORKSHOP

On Thursday, Year 5 enjoyed the Gweithdy Rhyfel Byd Cymru – Victorian Wales Workshop. The workshop taught the children about the different classes and lifestyles of people during the Victorian era. They were shown items that doctors would have used and tried out some Victorian school punishments such as the backboards, finger stocks and the "Dunce" cap. They were surprised to find out that many items we have today were invented by the Victorians. The children also enjoyed exploring Victorian artefacts and toys. They finished off the workshop by dressing up and role playing different Victorian roles. All children thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and are now very eager to find out more in the next few weeks.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY



We are keen to maximise pupils' attendance. We monitor every child's attendance as this is the first and most valuable step in learning.

A successful school day starts with being on time. Can I remind all families that school begins at 9.00. This means that children should arrive between 8.50-8.55 so that they are ready to be in class and start their day by 9.00.

Lastly, where pupils need time out of school to attend essential appointments, parents/carers need to provide evidence of appointments in order for absence to be authorised. It is not enough simply to ring the office and request to pick pupils up early or to bring them in late. Without confirmation of appointments, we will have to assume that there is no valid reason for a child to be absent from school.

ADULT BEHAVIOUR

Please can I remind parents to be mindful of the bad language being used at pick up times. Even though you may not be on school grounds, we still have a large number of children leaving school and they shouldn't have to listen to the type of langauge being reported to school. Thank you for your understanding.

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE

I am very proud of Jensen Cook from Year 5. He has shown fantastic manners when seeing visitors at school. He welcomed one visitor at the school gate with an umbrella in the first week back at school and welcomed another visitor this week, walking the visitor to my office. Both visitors praised this young man for his impeccable manners.

COMMUNITY LINKS



Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

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Organisations attending are listed below

- Disability Sports Wales
- Gwent Parent Carer Network
- Specialist Dental Service
- Newport Autism Support Group Flexible Options
- **Dads Group**
- Children's Centre Psychology
- National Star Newport Carers
- Single Parents Wellbeing AltraLaw

- SNAP Cymru ADHD+ Support Group Torfaen Play
- NYAS Cost of living specialist
- ASD Support Monmouthshire ASD Support - Torfaen
- Newport Social Services
- Healthy Eating Service
- ABUHB Engagement Team

We will be running three sessions as below: 9.30am - 11.00am 11.00am - 12.30pm

You MUST book by emailing familiy.liaison.abb@wales.nhs.uk or call 01633 748013 and state which session you would like to attend

