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Annwyl Parents/Carers

PARENT PHONE CALLS

We'll be sending out invitations next week via text message for you to book a parent consultation phone call. These appointments are a great chance to hear how your child has settled into school life so far this academic year.

Our booking system, Teachers2Parents, has recently been updated, so please bear with us if we experience any technical hiccups along the way — we really appreciate your patience!

I strongly encourage you to take up this opportunity to speak with your child's teacher. If you run into any issues while booking, please don't hesitate to give the school office a call — we're happy to help.

CPSO VISIT IN YEAR 1 – 22.09.25

Year 1 had the opportunity to meet with Craig, our local Police Community Support Officer (PCSO). During his visit, the children learned valuable lessons about the importance of calling 999 only in genuine emergencies and why hoax calls are harmful. Craig also talked to them about staying safe in the dark by wearing bright colours and highlighted the importance of being cautious around strangers. Children were reminded to never share personal information with people we don't know and stressed the importance of adults teaching children their full name and home address in case of an emergency.

As a special treat, they got to try on some police uniform and even had a chance to visit an emergency vehicle! It was an informative and fun experience, and we're very grateful to Craig for taking the time to visit school.



PEN PALS

Poppy and Tulip class have really enjoyed taking part in a Pen Pals initiative with Cwmffrwdor Primary. The project is designed to give children a meaningful purpose for their writing, and it's already proving to be a big success!

This week, the children were excited to receive their very first letters from their new pen pals. They also had the chance to meet each other virtually through a Teams meeting, which helped bring the experience to life.

Our pupils have loved reading their letters and have been busy drafting their replies. It's wonderful to see their enthusiasm and motivation to write with such a real and personal connection.



YEAR 6 VISIT PONTYPOOL LIBRARY FOR WWI I HISTORY SESSION



This week, our Year 6 pupils took part in a fascinating session at Pontypool Library led by a historian from Pontypool Museum. As part of their topic *A World at War*, the children had the unique opportunity to handle authentic World War II artefacts and explore what life was like for

people during the war. The session sparked lively discussions and curiosity, with pupils fully engaged and excited throughout. It was a wonderful way to deepen their understanding of this important period in history.



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October 2024	
Friday 3 rd October	Inset Day – school closed to children
NEW EVENT Monday 6 th October	Year 4 to Pontypool Library
Monday 13 th October	Poppy/Tulip visit to Pontypool Library
NEW EVENT Tuesday 14 th October	Year 6 to visit West Mon for Transition Morning – more info to follow
NEW EVENT Friday 17 th October	Show Racism the Red Card – children to wear red to school
Monday 20 th October	Fire Service visit to Year 2 and Year 5
NEW EVENT Monday 20 th October	Year 6 Manor Adventure parent meeting – 3:30pm
NEW EVENT Monday 20 th October	French Day for all children. Children are welcome to wear French style clothing/accessories or wear colours that represent France (blue, white and/or red).
Tuesday 21 st October	Aberfan Memorial Day Parent Consultations – PHONE CALLS
Wednesday 22 nd October	Flu immunisation day Parent Consultations – PHONE CALLS
Friday 24 th October	Nursery parent event – more information to follow
Monday 27 th – 31 st October	HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED

November 2024	
Monday 10 th October	Year 6 visit to Pontypool Library
Monday 17 th October	Year 5 visit to Pontypool Library

COMMUNITY LINKS

fostering info session

Ask questions, meet current foster carers, and learn a bit more about how you could make a positive change for local children.

Monday 6th October

6-7pm

Online
(you can stay in your comfies)

sign up to attend



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Have you ever considered fostering?

If you believe you could offer a child or young person a safe, loving home, why not join Foster Wales Torfaen for their online information event on Monday 6 October, 6pm -7pm.

During the session, the team will explore:

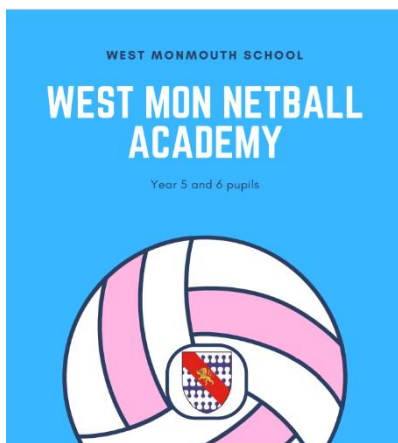
- The different types of foster care
- The journey to becoming a foster carer
- The support and benefits of fostering with your local authority

There will also be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

If you're unable to attend or would like to speak to someone beforehand, please call **01495 766693** — a member of the team will be happy to help.

Register now to secure your place:

[Select tickets – Online Fostering Information Event – Microsoft Teams](#)



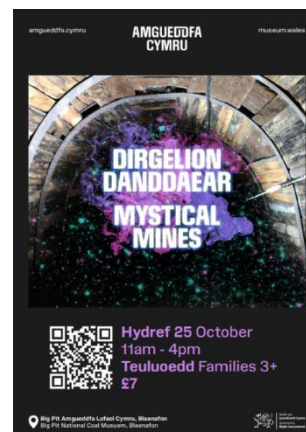
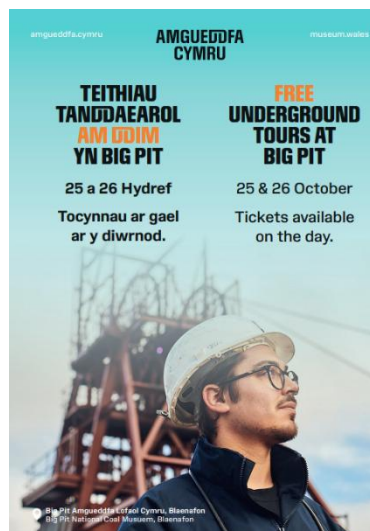
WANT TO PLAY NETBALL?

COME ALONG TO
WEST MON NETBALL
ACADEMY!

Don't forget to bring the following:

- Water bottle
- Sports kit
- Trainers
- Hair up

[Scan here to sign up](#)



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