

# Blaenavon Heritage VC Primary School

## Newsletter

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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024



### Dates for the Diary!

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Class Celebrations: Morning Nursery – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March at 8.50am Afternoon Nursery – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March at 12.25pm Reception – Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 9.15am Year 1 – Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 2pm Year 2 – Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 10.30am Year 3 – Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm Year 4 Bloreng 1 (Miss Cunningham) – Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 9.30am Year 4 Bloreng 2 (Mrs Hall) – Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 1pm Year 5 – Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March at 2pm Year 6 – Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March at 2pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day: Wear something that makes you smile or giggle (favourite outfit / odd socks / inside out clothes / crazy hair)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Down Syndrome Day – wear odd socks!
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays

**Whole school attendance is currently at 92.16% Let's stay above 92%!**



### Class Celebrations

You are warmly invited to pop into school to celebrate your child's learning with us. Please see the dates and times above for individual classes.

### Music Provision

We have been enjoying some fantastic music sessions with Up Beat and Gwent Music. All classes will have a musical taster experience. The drumming has been very popular!



### St. David's Day

We had a wonderful St. David's Day celebration. So many talented children wanted to perform in the Eisteddfod – we couldn't get through them all! Next week, there will be an opportunity for Foundation Phase singers to perform as we continue to celebrate expressive arts in school. Lexi, Katie and Lowri sang beautiful solos. We enjoyed duets from Miles and Gethin, and Cleo and Leon. Evan, Coby and Alfie performed as a tuneful trio and Noah did a great job leading us in the national anthem. Naomi wowed us on the piano, Gethin rocked on his guitar and Bea, Tomos and Lilie were a fantastic brass ensemble.



## Netball Success

Yesterday our skilled netball team won the Torfaen Netball Tournament! They won all their games with an impressive score line. They also displayed good sportsmanship throughout. We are extremely proud of them.



## Eucharist

On Thursday, children in Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will have the opportunity to take Holy Communion in school as part of our daily collective worship (school assembly). If you would like your child to receive the bread, please respond to the ClassCharts message giving consent. Your child will still only receive if they wish to do so. All other children will be able to observe and enjoy collective worship as usual. Archdeacon Stella will be leading and she's always lots of fun!

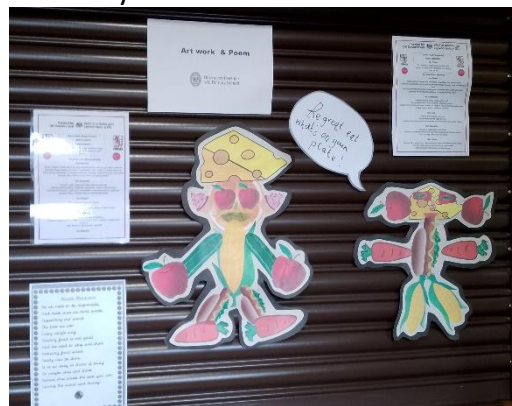
## World Down Syndrome Day

A person with Down syndrome has an extra copy of chromosome 21, so every year World Down Syndrome Day (WDS) is celebrated on the 21st day of the third month to represent the three copies of chromosome 21.

WDS is an opportunity to raise awareness about Down syndrome and celebrate people with the condition; as well as advocating for the rights, inclusion and well being of people with Down syndrome. People around the world will be wearing mismatched socks on WDS as a talking point to raise awareness. They use the hashtag #LotsOfSocks to share images of their socks. Why socks? because they look a bit like chromosomes. Why not join us and wear odd socks on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March?

## Countdown to Food Summit

Our Eco Council worked with Mrs Westwood to create art and a poem for the 'Countdown to Food Summit 2024'. Their work was displayed prominently and encouraged all visitors to the summit to think about what they are eating and how they can reduce food waste.



## Litter Picking

Don't forget that our school is a litter picking hub. Members of the public can pop into the office and borrow litter picking equipment to use in the community. Some of our Year 6 pupils did a quick litter pick this week and made a real difference.



*Give your burdens  
to the Lord,  
and he will  
take care of you.*

PSALMS 55:22

