CANTREF PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 6

10th October 2025

School Clubs

Please find the timetable for School Clubs at the end of this newsletter.

What's been happening

Staff Success at Cardiff Half Marathon

A huge congratulations to three of our staff members who took on the Cardiff Half Marathon last Sunday and all finished in under 2 hours and 20 minutes!

They each ran in support of three fantastic charities and have already raised a brilliant amount for these causes. We're very proud of their dedication and effort, both in training and fundraising. Well done! 😊



Year 3 Visit from Dinomania

Year 3 had roar-some time on Monday when rangers from Dinomania came to visit. The rangers brought dinosaurs to life through a combination of their collection of real and replica fossils and their life size Dinosaurs. The children had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed it but we're not too sure Mr B enjoyed it!





Year 6 Trip to The Royal Welsh Regimental Museum

As part of their topic of WW2, Year 6 visited The Royal Welsh Regimental Museum in Brecon on Tuesday. The children had a brilliant time and through role play and artefact handling they learnt about what life would have been like for them during WW2.

Event at KHS 3-19 school with Author Cressida Cowell - Year 4

On Thursday our Year 4 class went to King Henry VIII 3-19 School to attend a multi-school assembly lead by world renowned children's author Cressida Cowell where she talked about two of her books, 'Which Way to the Future' and 'How to Train Your Dragon School'.

After the assembly, the children had the opportunity to meet the Cressida Cowell one-to-one and get a copy of the books signed with a personal message. A big thank you to Book-ish for arranging this brilliant experience 😊



Non-School Uniform Day for Abergavenny Foodbank

Thank you so much for the donations we've received so far for Abergavenny Food Bank 😊 Donations can be made to the school at any point during the week up until Monday 20th October.

Here's a reminder of suggested donations for each class:

- **Nursery** – Toilet rolls
- **Reception** – Tinned Baked Beans
- **Year 1** - Tinned Tuna
- **Year 2** – Tinned Fruit
- **Year 3** – Instant Rice or Noodles
- **Year 4** – Tinned Ham or Corned beef
- **Year 5** – Tinned Soup (Tomato or Vegetable)
- **Year 6** – Christmas Cake/Pudding or Festive Chocolates to make up small parcels.



What's coming up

PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Monday 13th October

Our PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) will be holding an AGM meeting on Monday 13th October at 3.45pm in the school main hall.

The meeting will last no longer than an hour and will include the formal appointment of chair, secretary and treasurer, they will also be setting out fundraising goals for the year along with deciding where funds will be allocated. All suggestions will be very welcome, and it will be a great opportunity to discuss ideas.

We look forward to seeing new faces there 😊

FRIENDS OF CANTREF ASSOCIATION

Spooky Disco Tickets on Sale from Wednesday 15th October

Our Year 6 children will run the spooky disco on Tuesday 21st October with all proceeds going towards their fundraising for their trip to London in June 2026.

The disco will be split into the following two sessions:

- **SESSION 1 - Nursery, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 (Lower Phase):** 3.45pm – 4.45pm
- **SESSION 2 - Year 3 - Year 6 (Upper Phase):** 5pm – 6pm

Please note that Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children will need an adult to accompany them. Younger non-school aged siblings are welcome to attend Session 1 but must be accompanied by an adult.

There will be a fun activity table alongside the disco and a prize for the best fancy dress costume.

Tickets will be £4 per child and will include 2 snacks and a drink.

Spooky Disco tickets will be available from Wednesday 15th October and will be sold by the Year 6 children during school hours. Please send the correct money (if possible) into school with your child, in a labelled envelope if they wish to purchase tickets.



Non-School Uniform Day – Show Racism the Red Card – Friday 17th October

Show Racism the Red Card's annual Wear Red Day will be taking place on Friday 17th October, and we'll be joining thousands of people across the UK by wearing red to show our support.

Therefore, Friday 17th October will be a non-school uniform day, and children and staff are encouraged to wear something red to school, if they so wish.

Parents and carers may donate to Show Racism the Red Card, the UK's leading anti-racism educational charity, if they would like to do so. Please see link to their donation page below:

https://www.justgiving.com/theredcard



Dates for the Autumn Term 2025

Please see dates for the rest of the Autumn term below.

OCTOBER 2025

Week 7

Mon 13th Oct	**PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) at 3.45pm – Main Hall**
Wed 15th Oct	Cross Country Event at Bailey Park (Years 3 – 6)
Fri 17th Oct	**Non School Uniform Day - Wear Red – Show Racism the red card**

Week 8

Mon 20th Oct	**Harvest Festival Celebrations at Christchurch at 10am – Whole School**
Tue 21st Oct	**Spooky Disco**
	(Lower Phase Disco: 3:45pm – 4:45pm & Upper Phase Disco: 5pm – 6pm)
Thu 23rd Oct	Football & Netball Fixtures vs Llantilio Pertholey Primary School at Home

~~~ HALF TERM: Monday 27th October 2025 ~ Friday 31st October 2025 ~~~

NOVEMBER 2025

Week 10

Mon 10th Nov	**ANTI BULLYING WEEK**
Tue 11th Nov	Remembrance Day – Whole School
Fri 14th Nov	**Non-School Uniform Day - Children in Need**

Week 11

Mon 17th Nov	**ROAD SAFETY WEEK ~ Theme is safe Roads for all**
Wed 19th Nov	**Whole School Flu Immunisation**
Thu 20th Nov	**Governors Meeting - 4pm Finance 4:30pm Full Governors**
Fri 21st Nov	**Non-School Uniform Day for Cantref Christmas Fair**
Fri 21st Nov	Carers Rights Day

Week 12

Fri 28th Nov	**Cantref Christmas Fair**

DECEMBER 2025

Week 13

Mon 1st Dec	Christingle Practice at St Mary's Church 9.30am (Year 5 & 6)
Tue 2nd Dec	Christingle Service - 6pm St Mary's Church Whole School & parents/carers
Wed 3rd Dec	**Christmas Lunch**
Fri 5th Dec	School choir Singing in Abergavenny Town

Week 14

Mon 8th Dec	**School Elf Day & Fun Run – Non-School Uniform Day**
Wed 10th Dec	**Year 3/4 Christmas Production at 1.45pm**
Thu 11th Dec	**Year 3/4 Christmas Production at 9.30am**
Thu 11th Dec	**Christmas Jumper Day – Non-School Uniform Day**
Fri 12th Dec	**Elf Takeover Day**

Week 15

Wed 17th Dec	**Infant Nativity for Year 1 and 2 parents/carers at 1.45pm**
Thu 18th Dec	**Infant Nativity for Nursery and Reception parents/carers at 9.45am**
Fri 19th Dec	**Autumn Term Ends – School Finishes at 2pm**

SPRING TERM 2026

Monday 5th Jan	**INSET Day 3**
Tuesday 6th Jan	First day back for pupils

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Schools Family Advice South Wales

Need support finding the right path?

Monmouthshire County Citizens Advice provide free, confidential and impartial advice on issues including benefits, debt, housing, employment, family and more.

Please call our offices :

Abergavenny - 01873 856466
Caldicot - 01291 422119
Chepstow - 01291 622185
Monmouth - 01600 773297

Or use the QR code to connect with one of our friendly advisers.



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The Moondance Foundation

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PAWB ARTS

SUNDAY ART AND CHILL

Relaxed mix of mindful arts activities

SUNDAYS 9 - 12PM / 2:30 - 6PM

ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Learn about the worlds most creative people

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY - FRIDAY - 10-2PM / 3:45-6PM

Art activities inspired by different Artists every week.
Visitors explore unique cultures and worlds. We help build skills, experiences, and celebrate uniqueness through fun arts challenges.

www.pawbarts.co.uk

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Book individual sessions or flexible blocks



WHAT IS PAWB ARTS CIC?
Pawb Arts is a Community Art Workshop in Abergavenny.
We set up new art projects every week to inspire creativity and mindfulness.

WHO IS IT FOR?
'Pawb' (pronounced P'ow'b) is the Welsh word for EVERYONE!
Our projects are suitable for anyone, preschoolers to older adults.
Arts are good for our minds and bodies so come and do some lovely art!!

ART IS FOR EVERYONE

PAWB ARTS, FLOOR 1, 18 NEVILL STREET, ABERGAVENNY, NP75AD

CANTREF SCHOOL CLUBS TIMETABLE

MONDAY	
LUNCHTIME	**AFTER SCHOOL**
	Netball – Year 5 & 6 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Mrs B Watkins & Mrs B Morgan **Football – Years 4, 5 & 6 - 3.30pm – 4.30pm** Miss A Schwank **Gardening Club* – Year 5 – 3.30 - 4.30pm** Miss C Baulch & Mrs M Stephens ***This club is on a rota which is shared by Miss B**
TUESDAY	
LUNCHTIME	**AFTER SCHOOL**
	Glee Club – Years 3, 4, 5, 6 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Mr J Jones, Mrs C Collins & Mrs K Williams
WEDNESDAY	
LUNCHTIME	**AFTER SCHOOL**
Board Games Club – Year 2 Mrs H Woodhouse	
THURSDAY	
LUNCHTIME	**AFTER SCHOOL**
	Forest School – Year 2 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Mrs C Price **Homework Club – Year 6 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm** Miss A Schwank **Rugby – Years 4, 5, 6 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm** Mr R Brunsdon & support
FRIDAY	
LUNCHTIME	**AFTER SCHOOL**