



14th January 2022

Our Christian Value for this term is
Perseverance

I can do everything through Christ who
gives me strength.
Philippians 4:13

What a busy week we have all had!

Our January intake of Nursery children have all started and settled really well. They loved running in the field in the fog and frost this week!

Across the school each class is working hard and are embracing our value of perseverance this half term and working so hard.

Reception Class Applications - Just a reminder, for parents of pupils due to start Reception in September, that applications to the Vale of Glamorgan close today.

PE kits - Please can we ask that children in Y3-6 have PE kits in school at all times on their pegs. Children can add navy jogging bottoms to their PE kit but we are noticing a growing number of children who don't have their kit in school.

January 25th Mr Urdd Day - We are joining schools across Wales to celebrate 100 years of Mr Urdd. Please wear green, white or red clothing to school. We will be joining in a World Record attempt with schools across Wales singing and dancing to Hei Mistar Urdd. The link can be found on this page <https://100.urdd.cymru/en/party-resources/> and we will be sharing it on the children's Teams pages too. Have a go and singing and dancing at home before the big day!!

Parking - Please can we remind parents that we would prefer if you didn't park on Station Road at the side of the school. This is the main entrance for many families and cars moving in this area is a cause for concern as families use the side gate.

Late children - we are noticing that a growing number of children are arriving late to school. This impacts their learning and is a disruption to the children who are already in school. The gate is opened at 8.45am each morning and children should be in class by

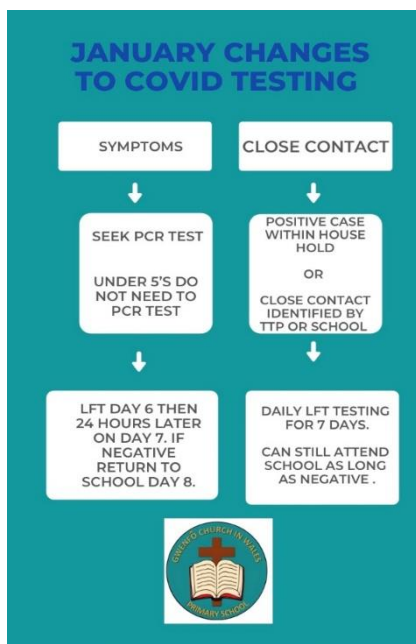
8.50am. If the gate is closed parents will need to sign the children in to school at the front entrance.

We understand that on occasion circumstances beyond your control cause lateness but please make every effort to make sure your child arrives ready for school on time.

School dinners menu - It's curry day on Wednesday. The cook has noticed that the curry with vegetables in it is not proving popular and so this week the curry will be served with vegetables on the side. Please encourage your child to try it!

Children's Bank - the Children's Bank will be open every Monday. If you would like your child to join the bank please send them in with a deposit and we will send home the necessary forms. If you have any queries about the bank please call school on a Monday first thing to speak to the staff running the bank.

Due to current covid restrictions we are again having to limit conversations with staff at the door. Please do leave a message with us on the playground, phone in or send an email. We will always do our best to speak to you as soon as we can and usually the same day. Any emails should be sent directly to gwenfops@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk and Mrs Hazelton will send them out to staff.



Covid rules have changed again - we know this be confusing so please contact us if you aren't sure about anything. Please note children who show symptoms in school will be sent home to have a PCR test before returning. This is to help us protect the school community and ultimately remain open.

Pupils who are unable to come to school but are well enough are able to access home leaving via our website should you wish them too. This has been updated for this term.

Families Magazine - Here is the link to the next issue of [Families Magazine Cardiff & Vale](#)

This issue is full of useful information and advice for parents including winter boredom busters, Chinese New Year Craft Projects, DIY board games, parenting advice and loads more.