

July 2024

# Cogan Primary News



## Celebrations and community spirit...

It's been a busy and productive summer. It has been wonderful to celebrate with our community- the Summer Fayre was a great success, so lovely to see families enjoying it, smiling and supporting the school with a sense community spirit. Many, many thanks to all the parents who helped the PTA preparing the Fayre and for all the wonderful events throughout the year. Sadly we are saying good-bye to Carol Curtis our chair of the PTA and Sam Burton Treasurer, as well as Claire Mullins and Laura Halliwell. These parents have given up so much of their time to raise funds for the benefit of all our children providing so many of the extra things. We are so pleased to see more parents offering to help out, it really does make a difference and is an opportunity for parents to get involved.

The community picnic with our families was also a huge success. The weather was kind to us and we were able to share a picnic with each other, once again having an opportunity to invite parents and grand parents into the school and be part of our celebrations. Thank you to our choir and Mrs Armstrong and Mr Birchall for the entertainment. It was so lovely to see past parents attending as well!

During our Summer events, we have been able to celebrate our children who have taken part in sports and the choir. Our football team has shown great flair only narrowly missing out in the final at the Lakeside Tournament. Our netball team scored 12 goals to nil against St Josephs Primary and our Lacrosse team are now the South Wales Champions beating several schools in the area and from away. Year 5 and 6 have also taken part in a Vale event on Cogan Rec. Years 4 have been able to attend their swimming lessons for three weeks, gaining vital life skills. Haf Weighton, artist and friend of our school has been working with year 2 on a special Creative Lead Schools project inspired by the Heritage of our locality and ships in Penarth dock. Year 6 are going to have a special well-being week to mark their last year at Cogan Primary, I know they are all looking forward to it!

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Reception and year 1 have completed amazing assemblies for their parents and grandparents this term. We are also looking forward to the Welsh Heritage Schools Initiative Award ceremony- we have won yet another prize. This is now our seventh winning year!

Year 6 leavers assembly for parents and grandparents is on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm and the year 6 children will also be having a special event just for them after school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July until 4:30pm-food and our famous Teachers vs Children Rounders match!

Staff news- llongyfarchiadau to Ms Gillingham who will be getting married over the summer. I know you will all join us in congratulating her and her new husband Mr Rogers. Sadly, we have to say Bon voyage to Mrs Smart. We will miss you but we hope to stay in touch and hear all about your new role-Good Luck. So lovely to welcome Mrs Owen back for the last week of term. We are so glad you are well, we have missed you.

I would like to thank all my wonderful staff. They tirelessly support our children showing such dedication and hard work. They care deeply about the children and always strive for the best possible outcomes for them.

I would also like to thank you all for your input, as always we are stronger together. Challenges come our way from time to time, but the community of Cogan stands firm with our children at the centre of all we do. Please see a letter received recently from Bullies Out overleaf which praises our wonderful children.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer- so proud of #teamcogan. See you all on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

Best wishes,

S M Sibert

## Looking forward to September...



### Early Years Unit

Nursery children – Nursery children in their second year will start back on 4<sup>th</sup> September- New nursery children will be starting back on their designated days either 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> September.

Reception children - They will be starting back on their designated days either 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> September, then the whole class in on the 6<sup>th</sup> September onwards.

### Names on Uniform

Please could we request that you put names on uniform, especially when you buy new uniform at the beginning of the year. Details of our school uniform can be found on the website:

<https://www.coganprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/school-uniform>



Dear Mrs Sibert,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to express our thanks for the opportunity to deliver our anti-bullying and wellbeing work to the children at Cogan Primary School. It was a pleasure to interact with such an engaging and enthusiastic group.

The children's engagement and thoughtful questions made the sessions both enjoyable and rewarding for our trainer. It was inspiring to see their eagerness to learn and their active participation in the activities.

We are grateful for the warm welcome and the support provided by the school's staff, which contributed significantly to the smooth execution of the session. Your commitment to fostering a stimulating and nurturing educational environment is truly commendable.

Thank you once again for having BulliesOut at your school. We look forward to any future opportunities to collaborate with you and contribute to the students' learning experiences.

Kind Regards,  
Abigail

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**Well done, Children!**  
**Da iawn, plant!**

## Superstar Corner

Congratulations to:

### **Proud to Present winners for June**

Infant class—All of the infants

Y3— Max A

Y4— Chester F

Y5— Lola B

Y6— Jacob P

Handwriting— Amarii-Rogue, Lily H, Vega and Harrison L

Criw Cymraeg—

Y1— Clark      Y4— Jaxon M

Y2- Rosie E    Y5— Dylan L

Y3— Lola A    Y6— Kaelan M

Positive Relationships/Being a good friend

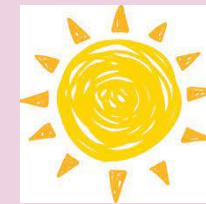
Rec- Indie      Y4- Willow C

Y1- Noah Y      Y5- Madeleine T

Y2 Edwyn N    Y3- Isla O    Y6- Lucas H

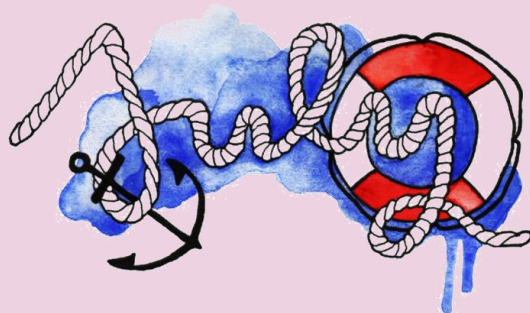


Good Luck to Mrs Karakus for next week the School Chef of the Year UK 2024 competition – we love your meals!



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Woo hoo!  
Well done  
Hooray!

Llongyfarchiadau to Owen and Jacob for getting into the Cardiff and Vale Football squads for next season.



Attendance winners:

**Year 6 – 95.8%**



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# Teachers and support for next year...

Class:	Teachers:	Learning Support Assistants:
Early Years (Nursery and Reception)	Mrs M Owen	Ms S Jones HLTA Mrs P Bailey Ms J Curtin Mrs L Haggerty Ms J Mattinson
Year 1	Mrs R Bennett	Ms L Burgoyne
Year 2	Mr T Lewis	Mrs G Meaton
Year 3	Miss J Blunden	Mrs K Davies
Year 4	Mrs J Armstrong	Mrs J Manton/Mrs A Leigh
Year 5	Mr S Birchall	Mrs J Hazell Ms A Reeves
Year 6	Mr D Bennett (DHT)	Mrs N Webber Mrs D Holman
HRB	Mrs K Mayor (TOD)	Mrs D Holman /Mrs S Beer Ms L Arcopinto Mrs C Mullins
ALNCo	Ms L Gillingham	
PPA/Interventions	Mrs H Thomas Mrs R Beckles	

## Staffing Structure 2024-2025

Head teacher Mrs Susan Sibert

Office Administration	Mrs J Psarelis Ms C Martin
Caretaker	Mr C Newman Mr P Wing
Kitchen staff	Mrs D Karakus (cook) Mrs A Morris Miss R Scarse
Breakfast Club staff	Ms J Curtin Ms J Mattinson Ms K Horrigan
Music Providers (Years 3-6)	Mr D Wood (guitar) Rock Steady



# Diary Dates...

July...

**04:07:24- Nursery trip to Barry Island/Talent assembly**

**04/07/24- In school Election assembly and results at the end of the day**

**04/07/24- Cake sale at 1:30pm in aid of the Hearing Dog**

**05:07:24- Meet your new class/Open afternoon- to see books and classrooms-2pm onwards/ Welsh Schools Heritage Initiative results day**

**08:07:24- St Cyres Music Master class for Year 6**

**09:07:24- Nursery Graduation**

**10:07:24- Junior Fun Afternoon**

**11:07:24- Infant Fun Afternoon**

**12:07:24- Nursery end of year Festival**

**Leavers' Assembly Year 6- 1:30pm**

**WB 15:07:24- Year 6 Activity week**

**17:07:24- Year 6 event for children and staff afterschool until 4:30pm...come on the teachers! ;-)**

**18:07:24- New Reception parents invited to visit the new Reception area at the Early Years unit- 11:30am**

**Term ends on 19:07:24**

# Advance Dates...

**02/03:09:24- INSET days – PACE- Relationship training led by the Engagement Team Vale of Glamorgan and Safeguarding/ALNET ACT/Priorities and Best practice**

**04:09:24- Children Return to School**

**23:09:24- Bullies Out workshops years 4, 5 and 6- Online Safety**

**14/15/16<sup>th</sup> October 2024- Parents' Evenings Reception to Year 6**

**18:10:24- Colorfoto Individual Photographs**

**25:10:24- Parents coffee morning with Headteacher**

**28:10:24-01:10:24 Half Term**

**19:12:24- Term ends**

## Inset days 2024-2025

**02/09/24**

**03/09/24**

**20/12/24**

**21/02/25**

**23/05/25**

**21/07/25**

