

# Cogan Primary News

## Exciting changes for the coming year...



What an amazing Sport's Day once again! The weather was tricky but we managed to get through, a successful day. Thank you to my wonderful team, especially Mr Birchall and Mr Lewis for providing such a wonderful opportunity for all our children. Some photographs of the day can be seen overleaf.

I am currently in the process, with senior leaders, in setting the staffing structure for next year. Mrs Smart our Nursery teacher has successfully gained promotion and will be leaving us in July. We are so sad to see her go but delighted for her as she moves to a leadership role in Adamsdown Primary School in Cardiff. I am sure she will keep in touch, we all wish her well for the future.

I am delighted to announce that we will be creating a bespoke Early Years unit which will see Nursery and Reception learning in the wonderful current Nursery building. This change has been carefully considered in consultation with staff, Governors and parents due to changes in staff and falling birth rate, thinking about what's best for the children first and foremost, for financial security for staff, enhanced learning opportunities in line with the new curriculum and the best use of the bespoke buildings/resources. Moving the Reception team to work alongside the Nursery team, will form a dynamic Early Years team (EY). Mrs Owen will lead the EY team as a member of the senior leadership team and Mrs Jones would lead the Nursery as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant. Mrs Owen will lead on planning and assessment, and have the overall responsibility for Safeguarding and Health and Safety.

The forming of an Early Years Unit is an incredible opportunity, which we are very excited about and will enhance our curriculum. The Curriculum for Wales- Progression Step one is Nursery and Reception. (The first step on the continuum of learning) Certainly Estyn, (The school's inspectorate in Wales) would judge this an excellent practice. All practical issues such as Breakfast club, lunches etc. can be solved quite easily and Reception would still be part of whole school activities and events.

Our community picnic, celebrating families is planned for Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, all are welcome. Please bring a picnic and a rug and join us.

Our June school value is 'Changes', and our assemblies will be focusing on thoughtfulness. Our Rights of the child focus is, 'To be the best you can be!'. We will be talking to the children about the positive changes ahead. Mrs Karakus, our school cook is certainly leading the way-please see over. She has won the School Chef of the Year Wales 2024. She is now going to compete in the National competition- we wish her good luck!

Best wishes,  
Mrs S M Sibert



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## Superstar Corner

Congratulations to:

**Proud to Present winners for May – 'Be Ready, Respectful and Safe'**

Infant class— Year 1- excellent learning in class with Mrs Bennett

Y3— Amarii-Rogue

Y4— Harry G

Y5— Martia R

Y6— Mila K-R

Handwriting—Varoj, Harry G, Nyla G and Rufus

Criw Cymraeg—

Y1— Fleur      Y4— Willow C

Y2- Ava    Y5— Liam E

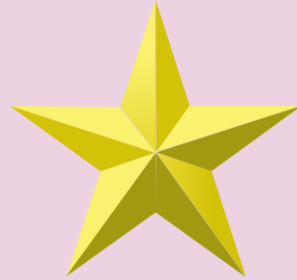
Y3— April    Y6— Evie W

Positive Relationships/Being a good friend

Rec- Emily W    Y4- Lily H

Y1- Alayah C      Y5- Olivier H

Y2 Suhal R    Y3- Myles W    Y6- Millie O



Llongyfarchiadau Mrs Karakus for winning the School Chef of the Year Wales 2024- she now goes to take part in the National competition



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Woo hoo!  
Well done  
Hooray!

Llongyfarchiadau to our Lacrosse teams for coming first and fourth in the South Wales tournament.



Attendance winners:

**Year 1 – 96.6%**



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# Diary Dates...

**27<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> May –Half Term**

**04:06:24- Y3 Chepstow Castle**

**05:06:24- Years 2 and 5 Spectrum sessions**

**06:06:24- Rec/Y1 Mountain Ranch Trip/Road Safety with Mr Rogers**

**07:06:24-Sports day**

**10:06:24- National Tests start for two week period**

**11:06:24- Reserve Sports day /Nursery –Sports**

**12:06:24- Welsh transition Y6 at St Cyres/ Netball match at St Joseph's /Y2 and Y5 RSE Spectrum workshops**

**13:06:24- Hearing Dog visit –assembly/visit from Digital team for Y6 from St Cyres**

**14:06:24 - Llais Groups**

**15:06:24- Lakeside Football tournament**

**17:06:24- University study- Salt and Sugar-Healthy Schools**

**18:06:24- New Parents Meeting 1:30pm EY unit Cawnpore Street/ Y4 trip to Cosmeston**

**20:06:24- Summer Fayre- 3.20pm**

**21:06:24- Parents' Forum-community room 9:10am/ New Nursery induction visit at 10:00am**

**24:06:24- Year 4 Swimming begins- 3 weeks**

**26:06:24- St Cyres Induction Day –Year 6**

**25:06:24- Y5 Trip to Cardiff Bay**

**26:06:24- St Cyres/Stanwell Induction day/ Netball match at Pen Y Garth**

**27:06:24- Athletics competition –Cogan Rec- Years 5/6**

**28:06:24- Clubs end/ Celebrating our Families-Community Picnic 12-12:50pm**

**2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>:07:24- Year 5 cycling**

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

**05:07:24- Meet your new class/Open afternoon- to see books and classrooms-2pm onwards**

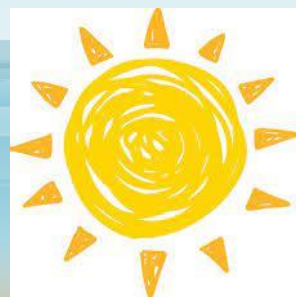
## Inset Day...

**22/07/24**

## Non-uniform day 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024 for the PTA Summer Fayre

Please support the PTA by bringing in bottle stall donations on this day.

Please note- no jeans or hoodies to be worn-with the exception of Year 6 who may wear their Leavers' Hoodies for that day and the last week of term. Thank you.



## Signing in at the office if you are late or returning to school

Many thanks to everyone for your punctuality. It is greatly appreciated that your child is on time for school, as they start the day positively and get all the input they need for their learning to progress. If however, you are arriving late due to appointments or otherwise. Please ensure you come into the office and sign in using the electronic sign in. This is of paramount importance for safeguarding reasons. Let's aim for 100% punctuality-we can do it!





**Our  
Sports  
Day  
in  
Pictures**





# 'In celebration of our families 2024' community picnic

Please can the children bring a rug and a packed lunch to share with their friends  
(Free meal baguettes will be available if required)



At Cogan Primary School,  
On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
12pm-12:50pm

