



Llswerry High School

SUMMER 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you enjoy reading our summer newsletter which, as always, delivers a 'flavour' of life at Llswerry to you. Once again it highlights not only the many different activities that take place in school alongside our 'normal' teaching and learning, but also the ambition, belief, determination and resilience of so many of our amazing learners. Every time I read our newsletters I am in awe of our learners and staff, who do so much to make our school such a special learning community.

We have now reached the summer break of course and I, like many parents, carers and learners, will be waiting with excitement (and undoubtedly a little nervousness) for our GCSE and A Level results days. It is always one of my favourite times of the year, when we get to see our learners reaping the rewards for their hard work in the form of the qualifications they have gained. However, as I always say to Year 11 learners and Sixth Formers, the most important thing is not the grade you get (as good as that might be) but in knowing that you did your very best – which is all any of us can ask. Looking ahead to September I'm also already looking forward to welcoming back all of our learners in September and particularly to welcoming the current Year 6 learners, who will be making the exciting move from primary to secondary school here at Llswerry.



hello.
Summer.

As we move further into the new Autumn term in September we will be continuing to evaluate all aspects of our provision and doing our utmost to ensure that your child has the best learning experiences possible. Once again this term we have been visited by staff from other schools on numerous occasions, for them to see how we do things here and to enable them to speak to key members of our staff who lead on important aspects of school life. This is a compliment of course and reflects positively on the school culture of doing everything we can 'to improve, not prove'. Our school mission statement states that we want to be the best school in Wales and, whilst we know that this is a challenging ambition indeed, we will continue to do everything we can to get there because that is what we believe your child deserves.

I would like to thank you all for your support once again this year and to wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer break.

Best wishes,



**N Davies
Headteacher**



CLASS OF 2023

Year 11 Leavers 2023
Make happiness your ambition in life,
Be kind,
Stay positive,
Good luck!



PROM 2023

On Friday 23rd June 2023, we held our Year 11 Prom at the Coldra Court, Newport. It was a wonderful night had by all who attended.



A special thank you to everyone who donated evening wear towards our Prom Pop Up shop, and a huge thank you to HCT charity who donated so many items!

PROM 2023



Sixth Form

University of
South Wales
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De Cymru

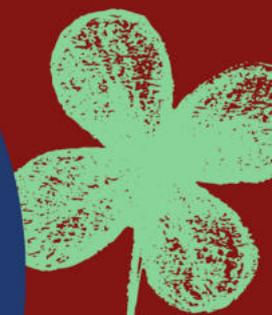
Year 12

With exams having finished, Year 12 have been taking the opportunity to prepare for the new academic year and have been focusing on the next steps in their educational journey. As a part of this, we visited the University of South Wales to learn more about university and what it has to offer. For many learners, this was the first time that they had visited a university and it was a good opportunity for them to see what further education involves, ask questions and learn more about student finance. They had the opportunity to start their UCAS university application, which will be completed in the Autumn term.

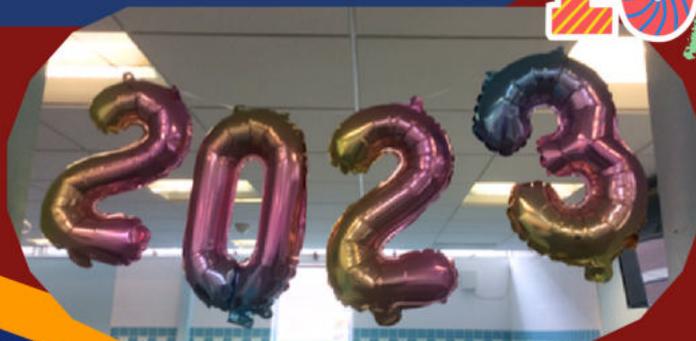
Year 13

On Wednesday June 28th we said goodbye and good luck to our Year 13 learners. The occasion was marked by a leavers' lunch attended by Year 13 form tutors and, of course, our wonderful school leavers. Mr Davies and Ms Lewis delivered speeches, shared year group memories and acknowledged learners' determination, resilience and successes. It was then handed over to our form tutors for an informal awards ceremony. It was a lovely opportunity to look back on our learners' two years in the sixth form and, for some, seven years at Lliswerry High School.

We would like to congratulate every Year 13 learner for their achievements and look forward to hearing of their future accomplishments and adventures.



**GOOD
LUCK!**





Tree planting project

In April, we had the pleasure of welcoming Keep Wales Tidy who very kindly donated 120 trees to our school. Learners from the school council came to help measure out and plant the trees against the fence of one of our playing fields. We were donated a variety of trees from Crab apples to Hawthorn. This was organised through Keep Wales Tidy but is actually part of the WG programme “My Tree, Our Forest” which is in conjunction with the Woodland Trust.

The whole project is aimed at increasing both the awareness of trees globally, reforestation, and minimising deforestation in the fight against climate change. For us as a school, the aim is to plant our own mini woodland area and create an extension of the nature hedgerow to extend along the school’s new perimeter. These “green corridors” are essential in helping to support biodiversity in the local ecosystem and provide very important shelters for a wide variety of fauna and flora. The choices of trees themselves is also hugely important, as they are all native welsh species, helping to sustain and promote our natural environment.



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A great start to success!

Darius has certainly gone above and beyond in attaining his qualifications in LIBF. LIBF stands for The London Institute of Banking and Finance. They are a registered, respected charity offering numerous financial qualifications of the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). Not only has Darius worked hard to attain a GCSE in LIBF, he has

also gained an A Level qualification! Darius has been recognised of his outstanding achievement and has been awarded the Headteacher Award. Keep working hard Darius and good luck with your exam results!

GREAT JOB!



Mrs Jones' haircut for charity



Mrs Jones decided to cut her hair to donate to the Little Princess Trust. Since 2005, the Little Princess Trust has provided free real hair wigs to children who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or other conditions. It costs £700 to provide each of the wigs, and they currently supply around 2000 wigs each year. So, we are also fundraising for the charity.

The event was held in the sports hall where learners could come and watch the hair cutting take place. Learners also volunteered to cut Mrs Jones' hair. I think it is safe to say the learners enjoyed volunteering, well done Mrs Jones!

If you would like to donate towards the charity, please visit www.justgiving.com/page/jones-hair or use the QR code below:



Before



During



After



Summer Showcase 2023



IN JULY, WE HELD OUR SUMMER SHOWCASE. THIS WAS A CHANCE FOR LEARNERS TO SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS TO THE SCHOOL AND THE PUBLIC, AND WHAT A VARIETY OF TALENTS WE HAVE. FROM DRAMA SHORTS, TO TAIKO DRUMMERS THERE WAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY! A BIG THANK TO YOU ALL OF THE LEARNERS INVOLVED, THE STAFF WHO HELPED OUT, AND TO EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED THE SHOWCASE, IT WAS A FANTASTIC NIGHT FOR EVERYONE.



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Springboarding into success!

A huge congratulations to Evie who has been selected for the Great Britain Senior Gymnastics Squad, your hard work and determination is certainly paying off!
Good luck!



Athletics Ambition!

Well done to all our athletes from years 7-10 who competed at the SEW Inter-Schools cup.

Some fantastic performances from some very promising young athletes!



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SPORT UPDATE

Athletics

Gold Medals in the Inter-Schools Cup for Esther (Year 10) for 100m, Takunda (Year 7) for Long Jump, Gabriel H (Year 9) for 800m

Silver Medals for – Kadie (Year 9) in the Triple Jump and 200m, Lucia (Year 9) in the javelin, Kingsley (Year 7) for shot put, Oliver (Year 8) for Long Jump, Mason (Year 8) for Discuss

Riley (Year 11) – Congratulations for signing a two-year scholarship with Newport County U18s and recently starting for the first team in pre-season.



**Corey (Year 7)– Taekwondo – Multiple medal winner (including gold): Welsh Open, Welsh closed, British championship
Courtney (Year 9)– Taekwondo – Bronze medal winner: Welsh Open, Welsh closed, British championship**

Tiago (Year 8) – Brazilian Jujitsu

Lucia (Year 9)– Brazilian Jujitsu/MMA and included in Welsh Squad, she has just won 4 nations gold medal. Lucia also won U16s British Championships for Wrestling

Eliza, Ffion, Ayoub (Year 7) – Representing Newport Netball

Hadi (Year 7) – Representing Newport Cricket

Emily – Horse Riding – National Championships

Harriet – Gymnastics – Representing Newport Girls Gymnastics



HEALTH & WELLBEING DAY

TOWARDS THE END OF SUMMER TERM, WE HELD OUR HEALTH & WELLBEING DAY.

ALL LEARNERS HAD A GREAT DAY PARTICIPATING IN DIFFERENT EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO EARN POINTS FOR THEIR HOUSES. LEARNERS SHOWED DETERMINATION AND RESILIENCE THROUGHOUT EACH RACE AND AMAZING TEAM SPIRIT! STAFF ALSO TOOK PART IN RACES, AND BY THE LOOKS OF THE PHOTOS HAD MORE FUN THAN THE LEARNERS... WHAT DO YOU THINK?



Environment & Sustainable Schools Conference

Travis and Chloe attended the Environment and Sustainable Schools Conference held at St Joseph's High School this week. After taking part in a range of workshops and discussion groups in the morning around improving the sustainability of schools and reducing their carbon footprint the learners then took part in a multi school challenge.

Working with younger learners from Eveswell and The Gaer primary schools, Travis and Chloe led the team on devising a new wrap that could be served in schools. The brief was that the ingredients has to have a low carbon footprint and be bee friendly. Both our learners supported the younger members of the team and helped to select a range of ingredients they could use. Although they didn't win the overall competition they were praised on their enthusiasm and confidence when presenting and also the mix of flavours that they had created. Well done Travis and Chloe!

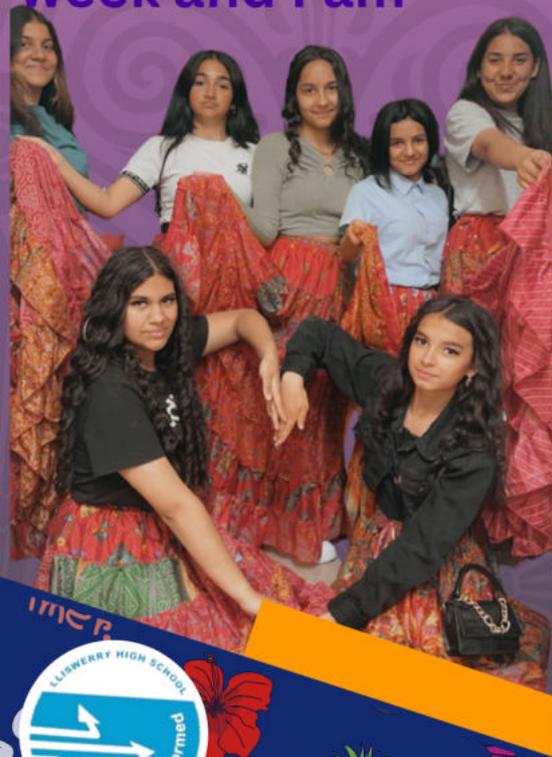


Culture Week



In June, we had the privilege of embracing all of the cultures that we have here at Lliswerry High School. We held a day where learners and staff could wear clothing that represented their cultures and traditions and what a stunning display we had throughout the school! From national football shirts, to national dresses and outfits, it was inspiring to see how much the learners embraced this week and got involved. We also held a fashion show during a lunchtime, where learners and staff walked down the catwalk and showcased their national outfit. It was a very inspiring and educational week and I am

sure everyone learned something new from it!



LHS CULTURE WEEK



SKILLS FESTIVAL

In the last few weeks of Summer term, we held our annual Skills Festival. The Skills Festival was spread out over two days for Year 7/8 and 9/10. It consisted of different taster sessions for learners to enjoy. From dancing, to coding robots, finance, cooking, and gardening and making music. Learners had a brilliant time during the festival and used a range of real life skills to prepare them for life outside of school.



It was great to see the high levels of engagement and enthusiasm throughout!

A big thank you to external agencies who volunteered their time to show learners different experiences and for them to gain new skills. Thank you to staff who organised and assisted to make Skills Festival so successful!



Year 7 trip to St. Fagans

This term, our Year 7 learners had the opportunity to attend a school trip to St. Fagans National Museum of History. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and educational two days for both learners and staff.

A big thank you to Mrs Jones who organised such a successful trip, without you this wouldn't have been possible!



Aspiring to do great things!

Mrs Harries had the pleasure to attend our Aspire learners ROA in June. It was a wonderful occasion to say well done for all their hard work, determination and belief to achieve what they needed to progress to the next level in their education or the world of work.

It was also an opportunity for learners to thank the staff who have supported them in their studies over time. Good luck to everyone in the adventures that lay ahead. We, at Lliswerry High School, wish each of you the very best in the next chapter of your life!

Ambition at its finest!



Oliver, a student in 11HS, studied Business Studies in Year 10, which influenced him to launch his own company.

Blakeys Valet's was established in January 2023, and it is situated adjacent to Blakemore's Removal & Storage Ltd. on the Leeway Industrial Estate.

Oliver has had a logo made for him so he could introduce his own line of branded items for cleaning cars. Oliver has demonstrated nothing but Ambition, Resilience, Determination, and belief to follow in his father's footsteps as a young business owner. You can locate this company on Yell and Google.



School Reporting

We are currently reviewing our school reporting procedures and would value your feedback in this process. Please follow the google forms link below to answer questions based upon both the full report and data reports received on your son/daughter this year.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Your feedback is valuable in helping us improve the reporting process at Lliswerry High School.

<https://forms.gle/p4WcTUR4bgXzQUB>



School Website

NEW

Our school website can now be translated into several languages such as:

- Welsh, 
-  Bengali
-  Czech
-  Punjabi
-  Romanian
-  Slovak
- Urdu 

<http://lliswerryhigh.org/>

Changes to holiday provision for pupils in receipt of Free School Meals

Just a reminder that the extra funding from Welsh Government, put in place to support families during the pandemic by providing vouchers during the school holidays, has come to an end.

There will, therefore, be no vouchers for families in receipt of free school meals for this summer holiday and beyond.

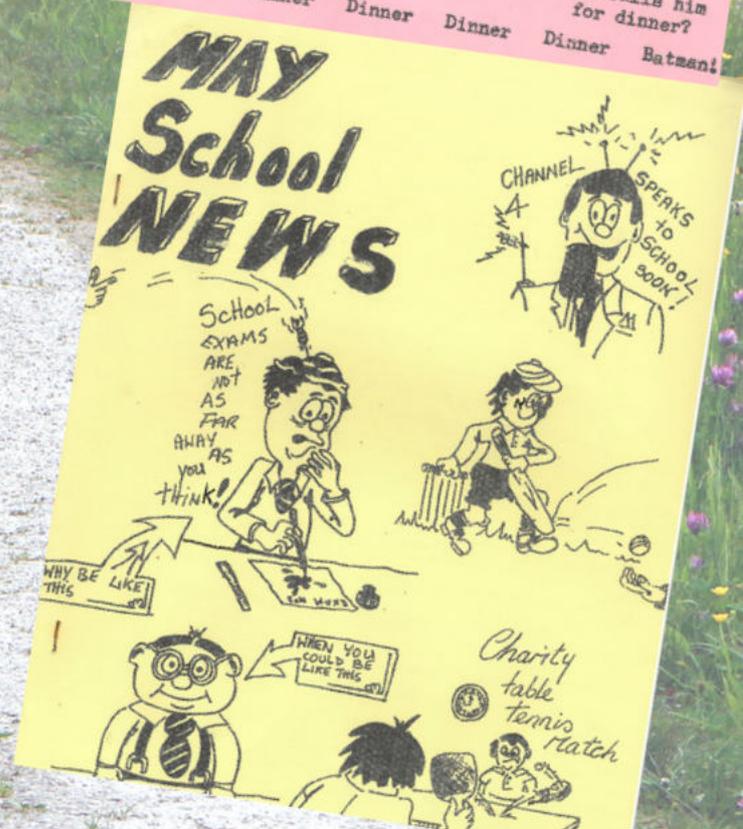
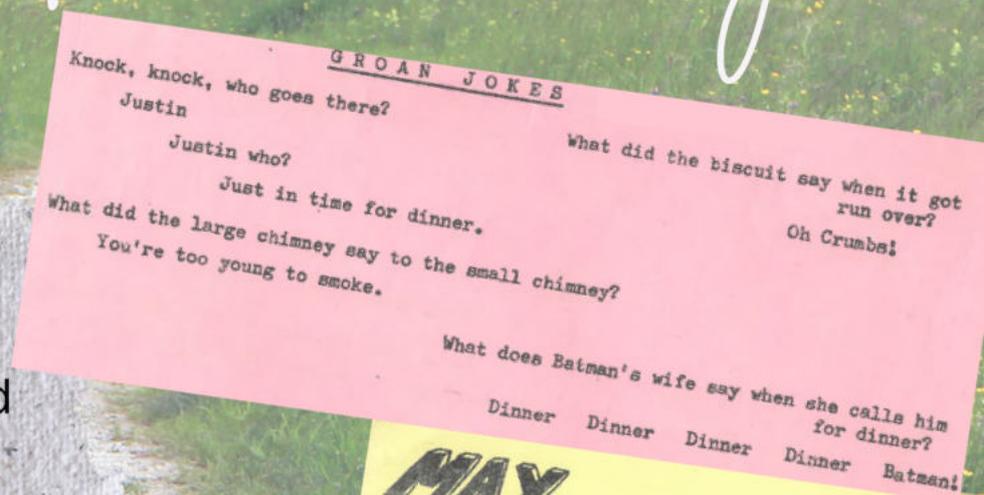


REMINDER



A trip down memory lane...

In our Easter newsletter, we shared with you snippets of Lliswerry High School Newsletters from the 1970's. We hope you enjoyed looking at how different our newsletter used to look to how it looks now. We have a few more snippets of newsletters for you to view, enjoy!



ONE, TWO



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Great performances at the Riverfront!

Some of our learners were involved in a performance at the Riverfront in Newport to celebrate the Romani Cultural event. It was a fabulous opportunity to connect with family, friends and local organisations. It was a brilliant night with amazing performances from everyone involved!



GOODBYE & GOOD LUCK!

THE FOLLOWING STAFF WILL SADLY BE LEAVING LLISWERRY HIGH SCHOOL THIS SUMMER. WE WISH THEM THE BEST OF LUCK WITH THEIR FUTURE PLANS!

MISS C HUBBARD

MRS J BRADLEY

MISS G MCKEOWN



MISS P GILES

MRS A OSMOND

MISS E DONALD

MRS R NAGY

MR A NAGY

School Uniform



Years 7 to 11

- Black skirt of an appropriate length for the work-place (i.e. not more than 7cm above the knee) or Black trousers (not skin tight and/or jeans or leggings)
- Blue blouse/shirt
- School velcro tie
- Plain black v-neck long sleeved jumper or cardigan
- Plain black or white ankle socks or thick plain black tights
- Completely Black footwear (no boots)
- Black Blazer



Years 12 and 13

- Black skirt of an appropriate length for the work-place (i.e. not more than 7cm above the knee) or Black trousers (not skin tight and/or jeans or leggings)
- White blouse/shirt
- School velcro tie
- Plain black v-neck long sleeved jumper or cardigan
- Completely Black footwear (no boots)
- Black Blazer

Our Preloved Uniform Shop is open!

In recognition of the current financial situation that everyone is facing with the cost of living crisis, Llswerry High School is committed to supporting all of our families with the introduction of a preloved uniform shop and food bank. Items are a combination of preloved and new clothes which are accessible at a reduced cost. We have connections with Kings Church who are providing food donations such as tinned items and dry food.

If you need any further information or would like to make an appointment to come into the shop, please email preloveduniform@llswerryhigh.org.



School Calendar 2023/2024

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School closed/ holidays



No school for learners/
Teacher INSET day

*dates may be subject to change

KEY INFORMATION

AUTUMN

Term Begins
Half Term
Term Ends

4th September 2023
30th October 2023
22nd December 2023

SPRING

Term Begins
Half Term
Term Ends

8th January 2024
12th February 2024
22nd March 2024

SUMMER

Term Begins
Half Term
Term Ends

8th April 2024
27th May 2024
19th July 2024



INSET Days (school closed to pupils):

Friday 1st September 2023

Monday 27th November 2023

Friday 22nd December 2023

Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 11th March 2024

Friday 28th June 2024

Exams

During May and June we have GCSE examinations taking place. It is extremely important that learners are in school during this period in order not to miss any exams that they are entered in. We politely ask that holidays are not booked during this time.

Biometrics

The school is using a Biometric payment system for catering, which is a quicker and easier way for learners to purchase food/drinks from the school canteen.

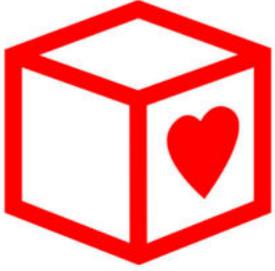
If you wish to register your son/daughter for this system, forms are available from the school reception. Once we have received the completed form learners will be registered the same day. This is a more efficient way for them to get their lunch instead of them remembering a 4 digit code. Alternatively you can contact us at admin@lliswerryhigh.org given authorisation for your child to have biometrics set up.

Contact Details

Please make sure we have your most up to date contact details, also that you don't have the school number blocked. During this academic year we struggled to make contact with a few parents when making calls home. Please also note that if we call, it may show on your phone as 'number withheld'.

Attendance

If your child is unwell you need to report the absence daily, you can either email the school at admin@lliswerryhigh.org contact us through the school comms app, or telephone the school on 01633 277867 and press 1.



The Red Box Project

As a school we are proud to be part of The Red Box Project.

What is it?

The Red Box Project is a community-based, charity, which aims to support young people throughout their periods by providing red boxes filled with free period products to local schools. The Red Box Project is committed to continuing the fight and campaign to ensure that all young people from all nations of the United Kingdom have access to free period products in school when they need them.

Where can I access this?

Learners can access the red box project by going to student reception, where a free pack will be given to them.

Got your period?
We've got your back!

The Red Box Project will continue to strive to ensure that no young person misses out on their education because they have their period.

Schoolgateway

Communicate Easier, Faster and More Effectively

Using School Gateway means that we can communicate with parents quickly and cost effectively via email, text or smartphone. It will also allow us to send electronic reports in future.



If you have a smartphone, you can help us save money by downloading the 'School Gateway' app from your app store (Android and iPhone).

By doing this we can send you app messages (avoiding the cost of texts) and you can send messages back for FREE. It's quick and easy to do.

All you need is your email address and mobile number that school holds on record for you. If you have trouble logging in, please contact the school. All communication will be sent via Schoolgateway.

Learner Support

At Lliswerry High we want to create an outstanding climate for learning. It is important that our learners feel happy and supported in order to achieve their best in the classroom.

Our Pastoral team consists of both teaching and non-teaching staff who are available to offer support and guidance to learners in an effective and timely manner. As such we would ask that you emphasise with your child that they should approach a member of staff in the first instance should a problem or issue arise, rather than contacting home. By giving staff an opportunity to resolve any concerns, we will be able to reduce any unnecessary worry for both you and your son / daughter.

Medical Room



We have a small medical room which is managed by a first aid officer.

Learners visiting the medical room will be assessed and a decision on the next course of action will be made by the first aid officer, i.e. learner receives treatment, a phone call home is made or returns to class.

Learners should familiarise themselves with the protocol below before visiting the medical room:

Learners:

Q. What should I do if I feel unwell in a lesson?

A. Tell your teacher and he/she will give you a yellow exit slip to leave the classroom to go to the medical room in learner reception.

Q. What should I do if I feel unwell at break time or lunchtime? (If the bell goes for the start of the lesson, you must go to your lesson and speak to your teacher.)

A. Go to learner reception and the staff there will help you.

Q. Should I contact my parents/carers and ask to be collected?

A. No, the staff on learner reception will contact home if you need to be sent home.

Reminder: You should not use your mobile phone whilst in the school building unless you are in one of the designated areas during lunch or break time.

Q. Who can give me permission to go home if I am unwell?

A. Your Head of Year or Head of Key Stage or a Senior Member of Staff.

Parents and carers:

We have recently had a number of parents/carers called to school by their children without the staff having any knowledge of a learner feeling unwell. Parents/carers are asked for their support in the process above and to wait for the school to contact them to collect their child.

KEY INFORMATION

2023/2024 Free School Meal & Pupil Development (PDG) Application for Newport Schools Important Information for Parents / Carers

Universal Primary Free School Meals

The Welsh Government are working with Local Authorities in Wales to deliver Universal Primary Free School Meals to all primary aged pupils by 2024 on a rollout basis.

In Newport, we are able offer ALL primary aged pupils a Free School Meal from September 2023.

Families of children attending Primary School in September 2023 **do not need to apply** for the school meal offer as they will be automatically able to claim this at their school. However, families on low incomes may be eligible to claim the School Essentials grant (formerly known as Pupil Development Grant or PDG), please see below.

Free School Meals for Low Income Families

If you are on a low income and your child/children are **not** already receiving Free School Meals, you will need to make an application. You can only claim the School Essentials Grant if your child/children are in receipt of Free School Meals. This is subject to eligibility.

You **MUST** complete all sections on the application form and sign the declaration. Incomplete forms will result in a delay of any Free School Meals or School Essentials Grant payment whilst we contact you to gain the missing information.

ELIGIBILITY – Pupils will be eligible for a Free School Meal and a School Essentials Grant if parents/carers are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Income Support or Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (the annual income must be less than £16,190 for the household)
NOTE: if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit, you will NOT be eligible to receive Free School Meals nor a School Essentials Grant
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit, provided the household has an annualised net earned income of no more than £7400.

When you make your claim for Free School Meals, your Local Authority will check your eligibility using the eligibility checking system. This process works by looking at a claimant's earnings for up to three of the most recent assessment periods, starting with the most recent and working back. If we need further information, we will contact you.

Renewal claims

If your children are currently entitled to Free School Meals and attending a Newport School, your Free School Meals award will continue into the next academic year and we will be able to check your on-going eligibility for the School Essentials Grant without the need for you to complete a new form (unless we contact you under separate cover).

Transitional Protection

Pupils entitled to Free School Meals on or after 01 April 2019 will have their eligibility protected and this will apply to the end of the rollout of Universal Credit (currently scheduled for December 2023), regardless of whether their circumstances change.

Once the rollout of Universal Credit has completed, transitional protection will continue until the child comes to the end of their current phase of education i.e. primary/secondary school.

Please note that if you cease to be eligible for Free School Meals but continue to receive them due to transitional protection only, you will **NOT** be entitled to the School Essentials Grant regardless of what year your child is entering in September 2023.

Notes

We are able to check your entitlement; there is no need to supply proof of eligibility unless requested.

School Essentials Grant 2023/2024

The grant for the academic year from September 2023 will open from 01st July 2023

Pupils who are eligible to a Free School Meal based on the eligibility criteria above may also be entitled to a School Essentials Grant if they are entering reception class in primary school, years 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 or 11 or if they are in a special school, special needs resource unit or pupil referral unit and are aged 4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14 or 15.

The funding is also available to all looked after children of compulsory school age.

Pupils with no recourse to public funds entering Reception, Years 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 and 11 in the 2023/2024 school year can also be considered for this funding.

The School Essentials Grant is to provide assistance to families on low incomes for the purchase of:

- School uniform including coats and shoes;
- School sports kit including footwear;
- Uniform for enrichment activities, including but not limited to, scouts; guides; cadets; martial arts; sports; performing arts or dance;
- Equipment e.g. school bags and stationary;
- Specialist equipment where new curriculum activities begin such as design and technology;
- Laptops or tablets; and

Equipment for out of school hours trips such as outdoor learning e.g. waterproofs.

Please contact your school to find out if equipment is available before purchasing any!

A payment of £125 per pupil will be made for all qualifying school years with the exception of pupils entering Year 7 who will each receive a payment of £200.

Please provide your bank details on your application in order for this payment to be made. Payment has to be paid into a bank account. We are unable to make payments into a Post Office account. Failure to provide this information could result in a delay in issuing this payment to you.

Applications for the School Essentials Grant can only be considered for pupils attending schools within the Newport Local Authority and only one grant payment can be claimed in any one academic year.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

CHANGES IN YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES - It is your responsibility to notify the Housing Benefits Team of any changes to financial/family circumstances. Failure to notify the Housing Benefits Team could result in you being charged the full cost of any school meals taken by your Children from the date your circumstances changed. You may also have to pay back any School Essentials Grant payment that you received but were not entitled to due to your failure to disclose important information.

If your children move to a different Newport school during the school year, please contact the Housing Benefits Team so that we can amend your award and inform the new school of their entitlement.

You cannot make a claim for children who are accessing a part-time nursery place.

DECIDED NOT TO APPLY?

The Welsh Government gives an extra grant for every child that is entitled to and claims free school meals (based upon the eligibility criteria for lower income families). It can be an extra bonus for your child's school so we would urge you to make a claim.

School meals offer a healthy option with significant nutritional benefits and recent evidence suggests that having a healthy meal at lunch time can assist in improving a child's performance and concentration during the day.

For any queries regarding Free School Meals or the School Essentials Grant, contact:

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