

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a wonderful 6 weeks – the sun certainly shone for us all!

A huge welcome to all new Reception children parents. If this is the first child you have trusted us with, I hope they settle quickly and you find our school to be warm and welcoming. Any concerns – please share with the children's teacher. If I can help – just let me know.

This newsletter is packed with information about the autumn term. Have a look at the dates for the diary – we are certainly hoping to see parents back into school, seeing your children's work and having plenty of chances to chat with the class teacher.

As ever, if you have any worries or questions – don't hesitate to contact me [sian.chase@grangetownprimary.com](mailto:sian.chase@grangetownprimary.com)

Here's to another fantastic year for all of our wonderful children parents, staff and governors!

*Sian Chase*  
Headteacher

IF YOU CHANGE ANY  
OF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS



**PLEASE  
LET US KNOW**



## Help with school costs



Times are tough – and likely to get harder. There is help out there. Welsh Government have put together support for families which can be accessed here:

<https://gov.wales/get-help-school-costs> Click on it - you may be entitled to help with uniforms and free school meals.

We love to see ALL our children in their uniform! Please make sure your child wears it every day. **Putting their name on their clothes** makes it much easier if items are lost.

If your child wears a head scarf, please use a clip, not a pin, to fasten it. Thank you!

**Uniform can be bought from:**  
**EMA Embroidery,**  
**Unit@Freemans Industrial Estate,**  
**Penarth Road, CF11 8EQ**  
**Open 10am – 5pm**

## Help for Families

<https://www.cardiffamilies.co.uk/>

Family life isn't always easy. Cardiff Family Advice and Support offers a range of advice and assistance on:

- Family life and parental support
- Child behaviour
- Childcare
- School attendance
- Employment, money and housing
- Information and signposting to other services

Cardiff **Family  
Advice and Support**



Inset Day  
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**2022-2023 Inset days:**  
Sept 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 2022; Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 2022  
Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022; Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 2023;  
July 24<sup>th</sup> 2023

## School Dinners

Every evening, please make your selection at home using Parent Pay.

## Dyddiadau i'r dyddiadur Dates for the Diary



**September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>:** **INSET DAYS – School closed to children**

**September 7<sup>th</sup>:** 2.15pm **infant hall** – Parents and carers of children in **Year 3-Y6** join us for afternoon tea. Come and have a cuppa and cake and catch up with me, Sian Chase the headteacher, along with: Bonita James our Place 2 Be Project Manager, Nicki Herbert our deputy headteacher, Alyssa White our Additional Learning Needs coordinator and Helena Lalik our Families Liaison Officer.

**September 14<sup>th</sup>:** 2.15pm **junior hall** – Parents and carers of children in **Rec, Y1 and Y2** join us for afternoon tea – see above for details.

**September 14<sup>th</sup>:** Hearing Screening.

**September 16<sup>th</sup>:** Y5 - Staedtler marketing advert

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Y6 – 1.15pm **Sports Day**. Come and cheer your child on!

**September 27<sup>th</sup>:** Y1-Y5 – Sports Days to be held this week. Come and cheer your child on! Dates and times to follow.

**September 26<sup>th</sup>:** Y6 - Afternoon swimming lessons at Cardiff International Pool.

**September 27<sup>th</sup>:** Rec-Y6 – Flu nasal spray programme. Further details to follow.

**September 27<sup>th</sup>:** Y6 parents – High School application process starts – DATES to be confirmed.

**September 30<sup>th</sup>:** Harvest Festival – Donations for the food bank gratefully received.

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Rec, Y2, 4, 6. 2.30pm Family Monday. Come in and see your children's work. Have a chat with the teacher.

**October 7<sup>th</sup>:** Y1, 3, 5. 2.30pm Family Friday – see above.

**October 28<sup>th</sup>:** **INSET DAY – School closed to children**



**October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>:** **Half Term**



**November 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>:** Parents/Carers' Evenings. A chance to discuss your child's progress with their teacher. Keep an eye out for the appointment slips.

**November 11<sup>th</sup>:** School photos – details to follow.

**November 14<sup>th</sup>:** Anti-Bullying Week. Wear your odd socks to show you support the anti-bullying movement.

**November 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>:** Y5 and 6 - Open Your Eyes Week – Part of our Careers and Work Related Experiences curriculum theme. People, from a range of careers, will tell the children all about their jobs.

**November 18<sup>th</sup>:** Children in Need

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>:** LAST DAY to apply for high school – DATES to be confirmed.

**November 28<sup>th</sup>:** Morning visits to The Sherman Theatre for all children to see Christmas productions. Dates to be confirmed.

**November 28<sup>th</sup>:** Y1, 3, 5. 2.30pm Family Monday. Come in and see your children's work. Have a chat with the teacher.

**December 19<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas performances – dates to be confirmed.

**December 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Rec, Y2, 4, 6. 2.30pm Family Friday – see above.

**December 23<sup>rd</sup>:** **INSET DAY – School closed to children**



**26<sup>th</sup> December-6<sup>th</sup> January:** **Christmas Holidays**

### Nasal Flu Vaccine

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September Rec – Y6**

We don't want Covid AND the flu circulating this winter.

Getting the flu vaccine will help.

If you want your child to have the vaccine – please **respond to the information that will come home with your child.**



## School Matters!



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

**Attendance is compulsory, and all children should be in school.**

Some of you may still feel reluctant to send your child to school. I understand this and want to work with you to make sure your child comes back to us as soon as possible. Jade Davies, is the school's attendance officer. Her job is to support, help and advise you on getting your child back to school. Nicki Herbert, the deputy head can also help. If you have any worries, please email Mrs Herbert [nicki.herbert@grangetownprimary.com](mailto:nicki.herbert@grangetownprimary.com) for help and advice. .

**Let's get everyone back in, happy, safe and learning as soon as we can.**

Meet the

# TEACHERS



Class teachers are available for a short chat at the end of the day. If you need a longer time – please phone the school office and arrange an appointment.

**RG:** Ms Coles and Ms Treveylan

**RP:** Ms Minkowski

**Y1G:** Ms O'Brien

**Y1P:** Mr Marsden

**Y2G:** Ms Whittle and Ms Ahmad

**Y2P:** Ms Price

**Y3G:** Ms Lock

**Y3P:** Ms Thompson

**Y4G:** Ms O'Connell

**Y4P:** Ms Stubbs

**Y5G:** Ms Marck-Wilson

**Y5P:** Ms Morgan

**Y6G:** Ms Grogan

**Y6P:** Mr Davies

## New Reception Parents

***You should have received a letter giving your admission appointment date and time. Please phone the office, if you have not had it yet.***



**Punctuality matters**

**ALL GATES SHUT AT 9am**

Don't forget, be on time,  
school starts at **5 to 9**.

**Please be aware ALL gates will be locked at 9am starting Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

***Please respect our neighbours.***

***Make sure your child doesn't knock on doors. Please don't lean against windows and please try and arrive and leave school quietly. If you must drive to school, please park safely.***





# The 2022 Upton Awards



Every year, Mr Robert Upton comes to school to present awards made in the memory of his mum, Mrs. Betty Upton. Mrs Upton left a legacy that included a wish for children to be recognised for their talents and efforts.

I'm so pleased to announce the 2021-2022 winners:

Mim – for kindness

Mariam – for art

Patrick – for music

Shazaib – for sporting excellence

