

Ysgol Gynradd Grangetown Primary School Learning Together for A Bright Future Cylchlythyr Newsletter – Ebrill April 2023



Dyddiadau i'r dyddiadur Dates for the Diary

3rd April – 14th April Easter Holidays

April 17th 6G – Sony coding
April 18th 6P – Sony coding
April 20th Eid Parties – wear your party clothes!

21st April INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

April 24th Rights Respecting Group to Techniquest
April 24th Y6 – Royal Mint
April 27th Y4&Y5 - Game Designing Talk with Cardiff Met Professor

1st May Bank holiday

May 3rd Y1 and 5 2.15pm Family Wednesday. Parents come in and see your children's work. Chat with the teacher.

May 4th Rec, Y4 2.15pm Family Thursday. See above. *May 5th* Y2, 3, 6. 2.15pm Family Friday. See above.

8th May King's Coronation Bank Holiday

29th May – 2nd June Half Term

June 5th-9th Empathy Week – we'll also be marking Refugee Week here. This year's theme is *Compassion*. June 5th RSE – 9.15am Reception and Year 1 parents. 1.15pm Year 2 and 3 parents. Come and see the lesson plans and resources for RSE. June 6th RSE – 9.15am Year 4 parents. 1.15pm Year 5 parents. Come and see the lesson plans and resources for RSE. June 7th RSE – 9.15am Year 6 parents. Come and see the lesson plans and resources for RSE. June 8th Empathy Day June 26th – July 7th Y4 Swimming lessons at Cardiff International Pool July 5th – 7th Y6 Residential to Manor Adventure July 10th Y6 rehearsal at Millennium Centre

July 12th and 13th 5pm Y6 Leavers' Performance at the Millennium Centre – information about tickets to follow. July 17th Y6 Cathays Transtion Day

July 24th INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

However you choose to spend the holidays, we wish all our families a happy and peaceful one.





Article 14: Children have the right to freedom of thought, belief and religion Article 30. Children have the right to use their own language, culture and religion - even if these are not shared by most people in the country where they live.



A kind, caring, community -that's our Grangetown!!

Our Families Give to Others

Even in these difficult times, our families never forget to think about and help others. Here's what you've done so far this term. Children-in-Need, £309.48 Show Racism the Red Card: £102.86 Red Nose Day **£189.36** Llamau **£310.65** Christmas Jumper Day £15 Turkey and Syria Earthquake Collection **£159.03** Tenovus, Velindre Cancer Care and Macmillan Chicks £450 Making a Grand Total of: £1536.38

Wow! Thank you!



A huge thank you to **Cardiff Council's Team Huggg** Miss Thompson applied, on behalf of the school, for a voucher. With this, she took Mr **Baldwin** to Aldi and they used the voucher to buy food. Look at what they got!!



From toiletries, to potatoes, to tins, to pasta, to rice, to biscuits, to squash and Hot Chocolate – they made choices that would please anyone!

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TOCKLAND STREET RENCE HARDWARE





Ethical, informed citizens

One of the 4 purposes in the curriculum. Read on to see how the children are

developing into these citizens, who

- Find evaluate and use evidence in forming views.
- Are knowledgeable about their culture, community, society and the world, now and in the past.
- Respect the needs and rights of others, as a member of a diverse society

Grangetown Primary School, Bromsgrove Street, Grangetown, Cardiff. CF11 7XS

We are the Rights Committee members from Grangetown Primary School. We are writing To whom this may concern,

this letter to you because we have surveyed our school, and the majority of pupils would like halal food on our dinner menu. (See table below). When we surveyed our school 210 children out of 327 said they would like to see halal food on the menu. We feel it is not fair that the meat options on our dinner menu are not halal, so we have to eat the vegetarian option or jacket potato, which some of us do not like. We especially would like the option of having halal beef burgers and chicken curry. We believe it is unfair that

meat eaters have 3 choices of food (meat, veggie and jacket potatoes) and we only get 2

We know that other schools in Cardiff have halal food on their dinner menu and we don't

think that it is fair that we don't. We are a multicultural school and we want our dinner menu Thank you for reading this letter, we hope you agree with us and we look forward to a reply of how we can introduce halal food back onto our school menu soon.

The Rights Committee from Grangetown Primary

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Article 12 You have the right to an opinion and for it to be listened to and taken seriously.

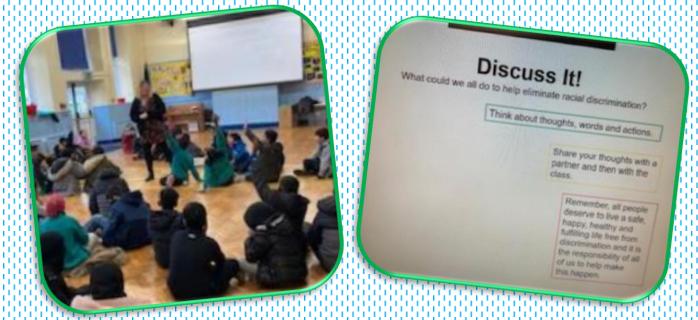
Well done Rights Committee – you surveyed the school and campaigned on the children's behalf. We have heard back from the Council halal food is back on the menu.

Well done!

Ethical, informed citizens -

are Anti-Racist

Year 6 wrote some extremely powerful speeches about the importance of being Anti-Racist. Mrs Grogan held 'talkassemblies' where children were encouraged to consider ways we can eliminate racism.



Article 2 You have the right to protection against discrimination - nobody can treat you badly because of your colour, sex or religion, if you speak another language, have a disability, or are rich or poor. Article 12 You have the right to an opinion and for it to be listened to.

During their **'Pwy Ydyn Ni? Pwy Ydw i?'** Unit of Learning, Year 6 learned about Wales and multiculturalism. They looked at the Welsh Government's plan to make Wales an Anti-Racist country. They used this information to draw up their own speeches.

Sulaiman, Mohamed and Hooriya presented theirs to Vaughan Gething MS in the Senedd. Read and watch their speeches below – future leaders and politicians are amongst us!



Year 6 at the Senedd

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Hooriya: <u>How can we work together to help the</u> <u>Anti-racism action plan be a success?</u>

Hi, my name is Hooriya and I am going to talk to you today about how we can work together to help the Anti - racism action plan be a success. Racism is when someone is being singled-out because of their ethnicity, heritage, background and loads of other things that make us our own unique and special people. Racism is unacceptable because it makes people feel insecure and unwanted, yet everyone should feel that they belong. People are racist because they may have experienced peer-pressure or they might just want to make people feel vulnerable. We are interested in the action because soon we will be in charge, so it would be amazing if we're able to make positive changes and help people feel like they belong in this cynefin. We have learned about cynefin and how it means someone's habitat and where they belong. Imagine a world where no one took action? Well, we should take action because we're then able to stand up and speak about what we believe in, and our opinions should always be heard.

Initially, I believe that there should be adverts, both online and on TV, to raise awareness toward racism. You could include 'Show racism the red card' in the adverts as many people are interested in things to do with sport or you could do 'Resist racism'. Consequently, those who'd have watched the ads would think about the message and they'd want to spread the message of anti-racism to others around them. However, if we want people to become aware, the ads should be on popular things such as Netflix, Youtube, Disney plus, etcetera. We NEED to fix this horrible situation! Essentially, the ads could be on TV when it's half time for football games and other sports. This idea is really significant as a lot of people watch TV in their day to day lives, and we'll be able to celebrate everyone around us.

Furthermore, I would like to talk about the people in powerful positions. I strongly feel that everyone's role models - no matter what their race - should be in powerful positions. For example, a great number of people think that there should be more Black and Asian people who are able to make decisions for the country. You and the community (us) could do this by encouraging more diverse groups of people to be part of the council and to get their ideas / opinions heard. Having our role models in positions of power would really help because we could look up to them and Grangetown would already feel a bit more Anti-racist, for not just one identical group of people would be in charge.

Additionally, a major amount of people are victims of racism while on public transport. The drivers and passengers must be more aware of racist people and shouldn't just sit or stand watching. If a racist attack happened, I believe that drivers and other passengers should be interviewed and say exactly what happened. Everyone has to make a difference and take action if we want to make the Anti-racism action plan successful. Something you could do is put cameras in the public transport, so you can then be able to identify people who were racist. Sometimes, people are racist and then they might run off, that's why cameras would be useful. Moreover, people of different cultures / heritage are targeted more and witnesses should notice the inequality of what happened. Do you think people should notice inequality and racism? Well everyone MUST be aware.

To sum up, I think the Anti-racism action plan is an amazing idea and I passionately feel that you should use my ideas for our country to improve. I want everyone to feel like part of this cynefin and I'm sure you do too. I'm confident that my ideas will improve Wales and help on the way to make our country (Wales) a better place to live. Thank you for listening to my speech. The plan will be a success, I'm sure of it.

Mohamed: <u>How can we work together to help the</u> <u>Anti-racism action plan to be a success?</u>

Assalamu alaikum my name is Mohamed. I am here to give you a speech about your action plan, but first I need you to think about this question: what is racism? My view of racism is when somebody discriminates against somebody else because of their identity. Racism is bad because racism takes your strengths and makes it something bad when it's not. People are racist because they think they're better than the person they're being racist to. I am interested in your action plan because it's important. We are learning Pwy Ydym Ni? Pwy Ydy i? Who are we? Who am I? We have also been learning about Cynefin which means habitat and I think that ties with your action plan to make Wales a safe space. I think we should act upon the action plan as fast as possible so people can find Wales great and come live in our lovely country.

Firstly,I want to help the government get people in positions of power that really raise awareness about the important things like, for example, the people in Swansea that protested against racism. I also really want diverse people in positions of power so they can raise awareness about their ethnic background.

Furthermore, I want the government to check the background of the person they're hiring for services. The reason is, if you hire them and don't know what they've done, how will you know if you hired the right person? Also, without knowing he may have been racist in his last job and that may be the reason he was fired. You could make this change by asking for proof that they have a clean record

In addition, I want people to respect asylum seekers and not to discriminate against them just because they are from another country. We could make this change by raising awareness about how refugees live and how they struggle. Raising awareness about refugees is important because if people know more about how refugees struggle, they will be eager to help. Can the government also try to have more protection over asylum seekers because they face a lot of racist comments.

As a final point, I would like you to try your best to eliminate racism because racism is discrimination and discrimination is not allowed. Please think about my speech And thank you for listening and remember "racism makes your strengths a weakness"

Scan the QR code to see and hear Sulaiman's

speech





Mohamed, Hooriya and Sulaiman presented their speech at the Senedd, in front of Vaughan Gething MS