

The PTA

The PTA committee are a friendly bunch of people committed to help raise much needed funds for the school. The PTA itself is there for all parents/grandparents/carers who have children in Y Bont Faen.



Y Bont Faen Primary School - A parents rough guide



The committee would like to invite and encourage all parents to come and be a part of this very worthwhile group. Not only do you get to share any wonderful fundraising ideas you have, you also get a say in how the money is then spent within the school. Come along to the next meeting and help make a difference for your children

Committee Members

Chair:	Sarah King
Vice Chair:	Julie Dennis
Treasurer:	Felicity Quance
Secretary:	Sam Tanguay/Dean Thomas

Future planned events

Duck Race and Year 6 Enterprise - 14th July 2017

AGM and Family Ceilidh - Date tba in October

Summer Event - to be announced!

School contact details

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Welcome to the Y Bont Faen family!!

This little leaflet is a brief insiders guide to the school which will hopefully go some way to answering any questions you may have.

Packed lunches and snacks

Children are encouraged to eat healthily in the school and the school follows the healthy lunchbox scheme.

In infants two snacks are needed per day and in juniors one snack. These should be healthy if at all possible. NO nuts are allowed in the school as some of the children have severe allergies.

A drink should also be supplied everyday. A reusable bottle is recommended as it can be refilled during the day.

Nursery have a separate snack scheme to the rest of the school whereby parents make a financial contribution and the nursery then provides the snacks.

Any bottles, pots, lunch boxes etc should all be labelled with your child's name.

School Times

Children from reception onwards can be left on the yard from 8.45am. It is recommended to try and be there about 8.50 for line up as the doors shut at 8.55.

Punctuality is important to ensure the children are settled and ready to start at 9.00. If you are late for any reason, please use the main entrance to the school

School finishes at 3.00pm with the exception of afternoon nursery which finishes at 2.55pm.

Please see noticeboard at the front of the school for pick up points for each class.

Newsletters

Class newsletters can be found weekly on the website and also displayed in the window of each class. See what fun your child has had each week!

School Uniform

Pupils are encouraged to wear school uniform as it gives a feeling of family and belonging.

The school uniform consists of:

Red jumper/cardigan

White polo shirt/shirt

Grey/Black trousers/skirt/shorts

Sensible shoes

Jewellery is not allowed, however simple studs are permissible in ears

PE kit can be made up of any t-shirt and shorts/tracksuit trousers/leggings

PE bags and book bags are available from the school office for a very reasonable price.

Official branded uniform (logo tops, bags, coats, fleeces etc) are all available from The Pencil Case in the centre of Cowbridge. Branded uniform can also be purchased from the sports shop in Llantwit Major.

DON'T FORGET TO LABEL EVERYTHING!!!! AND WE MEAN EVERYTHING!

Cashless school

The school is trying to reduce the need for children to have to bring money into school and has become part of the Cashless Schools programme. You will receive a letter from the school with details of this and how to register for it online. After that it is simply a case of using the website to add credit to pay for school items.

School dinners

School dinners are £2.25 per meal and a menu is given out about once a term. Children can choose which days they would like dinners (they can pick and choose and don't have to have one everyday). Dinners should be paid for online using the Cashless Schools System (see separate section)

Bits and Bobs

Individual school photos are in October and class photos are in June.

Each child designs their own Christmas card in the Autumn term and these are then available for you to buy. Money raised goes to the school.

Harvest festival is only for nursery parents to attend but can be viewed on the website.

Sports day is at the end of the summer term during an afternoon. Dates will be released well in advance so keep an eye on the website to book your leave!

Breakfast club and After School Club

Children can be signed up for the FREE breakfast club which is available from 8.00am everyday.

After school club is available until 5.45pm and is run by Simply Out of School. This is chargeable and details of this can be obtained from Jo Hopkins on 07756 836806 or jo@simplyoutofschool.co.uk. It is popular with parents and children.

Fancy Dress

During the course of the school year, there will be a number of occasions when your child will be dressing up. Main ones include St Davids Day where national dress and rugby shirts tend to be the order of the day. Many girls also choose to wear rugby shirts too.

World Book Day is another one and it usually involves dressing up as a favourite character from a book. There may be others throughout the year but they are nothing to panic about. Some children and parents go to a lot of trouble and some less so. There is no right or wrong and no-one is judged. Some children who really don't like dressing up will always be around in their uniform.

Just a note though, it's almost certainly worth making sure you have at least one pirate accessory handy, you never know when they will come in useful!

If all else fails....

If ever you are stuck with anything, Mrs Cross in the office pretty much knows everything and if she doesn't know, will certainly know who will!

Failing that, the website is a great resource for finding out almost anything you could possibly need to know about the school.

Absenteeism

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please either telephone the school or log it via the website to ensure the school know why your child is not there.

It is the policy of the school that parents will be called if a child fails to turn up without any contact being made.