

The PTA

The PTA committee are a small friendly group 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.

The committee would like to encourage people to consider getting involved. 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
Treasurer: Karen Frost
Secretary: Sam Tanguay

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Future planned events

PTA Spooky Disco -Friday 25 October

Christmas Fair – Friday 29 November

Bath Christmas Markets Trip – Saturday 30 November

Sports Day/Enterprise Afternoon & Duck Race – Friday 22 May

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Y Bont Faen Primary School *- A parent's rough guide*



Welcome to the Y Bont Faen family. This little leaflet is written by parents for new parents and 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 every day. A reusable bottle is recommended as it can be refilled during the day if required. Milk is also given to Foundation Phase at first break. If your child has a milk allergy you are welcome to send in an alternative.

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

Punctuality is important to ensure the children are settled and ready to start at 9.00. Children from Reception up should be dropped at the Nursery yard gate at 8.45 a.m where they are greeted by a member of staff. The gate closes at 8.55. If you are late for any reason, please use the main entrance to the school.

School finishes at 3.00pm and children from Reception up are dismissed into the yard from their classrooms. You can enter the yard at the end of the day to collect your child.

Nursery children are dropped at a separate Nursery gate near the Main Entrance. Nursery finishes at 11.30(or 2.55) and children can be collected from the same Nursery gate.

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. Each child will be allocated a house colour for sports day etc so its worth getting a t-shirt in that colour ready. Check with your teacher if your child is not sure.

School logo PE bags and book bags are available to purchase from the school office.

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

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

Cashless School:

The school use an App called ParentPay to pay for school dinners. Call into the office to find out more.

School dinners

Hot School dinners cost £2.30 per meal. The menu is available online . You can pick and choose which days you have Dinners and they need to be selected and paid for in advance via ParentPay. Alternatively Children can bring in packed lunch or mixture of both .. handy if you run out of everything on a Sunday night!

Miscellaneous

Individual school photos are taken in October and class photos are in June. You can take pre school siblings in for a group photo if you wish. See your teacher to arrange.

Harvest festival is only for nursery parents to attend and Eisteddfod is for children only.

There is a whole school sports day usually in May and two sharing days per year. These are open door dates when you can view your child's work with them ahead of parent consultations.

Dates for events will be released well in advance so keep an eye on the school 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 every day. Please note Children must be dropped off before 8.20 - there is no late entry.

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.

Communications

The main method of communication for updates about clubs and events is via the App Schoop which you will need to register for. Regular school news letters are emailed and weekly class news letters can be found at the end of each week on the class sections of the website. Any important documents that need signing for example school trip consent forms are usually sent home with children as hard copies so make sure you check bags regularly.

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 David's Day, Comic Relief & World book Day. 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. Some children who really don't like dressing up will always be around in their uniform.

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 by 09.00 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.