



# SULLY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 03/10/25

Dear Parents/Carers,

This newsletter is slightly earlier than usual due to today's INSET day and the school being closed to pupils, however the school week has been jam-packed as usual. Please see photographs below depicting the highlights of the week.

## Polite reminders

You will be able to book a parent's evening appointment with your child's teacher from Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> October using the ARBOR system.

Please do not permit your child to wear earrings to school that they cannot easily remove on their P.E. Days.

Please remember we are a healthy school and only permit children to eat fruit at breaktime and assist us in promoting healthy eating by providing a well-balanced and nutritious lunch boxes if your child brings in their own school meal.

Individual pupil photos will be taken next Thursday (9th October).

Wishing you all a lovely early-October weekend,

Andrea Waddington & Staff



**Our attendance this week has been 94.92%  
which is below our target of 95.1%**

## Dates for your diary...

Dates added/amended this week are in **red**

07/10/25 – Stanwell Y6 Open Evening – 3pm – 6pm

09/10/25 – School Photos – **Full school uniform to be worn**

09/10/25 – St Cyres Y6 Open Evening – 6pm – 8pm

10/10/25 – Food bank donations

14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October – Parent' Evening

**22/10/25 – PTA – Halloween disco – details to follow**

06/11/25 – NHS - Flu nasal spray – Please complete consent form before this date, no consent form/no spray.

Details of all trips will be communicated through our new MIS system called ARBOR.

### Polite notice:

Please can pupils not wear earrings on their designated PE day.

Also, for morning snack, fruit only in a labelled snack pot  
(to reduce throw away plastic)

Thank you.

## PHOTO DAY

Sully Primary  
School

Thursday  
9th October



**Sully Primary School will now be using the ARBOR MIS System for all messaging, clubs, trips and attendance. Parent Pay will still be used for school lunches.**

If not already done so, to set up your account, you just need to set a password. You can do this by going to <https://sully-primary-school.cymru.arbor.education/> clicking on '**Forgotten Password?**' and following the instructions on screen.

Your username is your email address.

If you have trouble setting up your password or have general questions, please contact Sully Primary 02920 530377.

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**Reporting your child's absence:**

You can now report your child's absence via our new MIS system called ARBOR.

Once logged on, click on the orange box 'Quick Actions' then click attendance and then click the green box (on top right) 'Log absence' or alternatively you can email us on [office@sullyschool.co.uk](mailto:office@sullyschool.co.uk) or telephone: 02920 530377

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**Parent's Evenings – 14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

Parent's Evening appointments will be available to book online on ARBOR from the 7<sup>th</sup> of October.

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**Please note: Due to a technical fault with the new MIS Arbor System, we will be continuing to collect trip money and purchasing of the school badges via Parent Pay until further notice.**



Mae Brechu yn achub bywydau  
Vaccination saves lives



Nyrsgol | School Nursing  
BSP Caerdydd a'r Fro i Cardiff & Vale UHB

September 2025

**Help keep your child well this winter – make sure they have their flu vaccine.**

Dear parent or guardian,

The School Nursing Team will visit your child's school soon. It's very important to protect your child from flu, to make sure they stay as healthy as possible.

Click here to fill in and return the online consent form as soon as possible and at least 5 days before the flu school session.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=uChWuyijgkCoVkJM8ntyProwc0tRo7SIFodPD07y1M5RUQ1BFV0hZQkcwV0c4UzNWQjMzS01SVFI1Ri4u>



Further information and school dates can be found on the website below:

[Flu vaccine in schools: information for parents - Cardiff and Vale University Health Board](#)

**NHS recommends that your child has a flu vaccination every year.**

We welcome correspondence and phone calls in Welsh. We will respond to correspondence in Welsh without delay.

Yours faithfully,

School Nursing Immunisation Team  
Riverside Health Centre  
Email: [Immunisation.CavuhbSchoolNursing@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Immunisation.CavuhbSchoolNursing@wales.nhs.uk)  
Tel: 02920 907661/664

After you have returned the consent form, please contact the School Nursing Immunisation Team on 02920 907661/664 before the vaccination session if:

- there are any changes to your child's health, or
- their asthma medication is increased, or
- they are prescribed oral steroids, or
- they become wheezy.

# Highlights of the week...

Nursery had fun exploring their creativity with autumn leaves. They painted and pressed them using beautiful autumnal colours. Curious to discover more, they used the iPads to investigate our enquiry question 'Why do leaves change colour?'

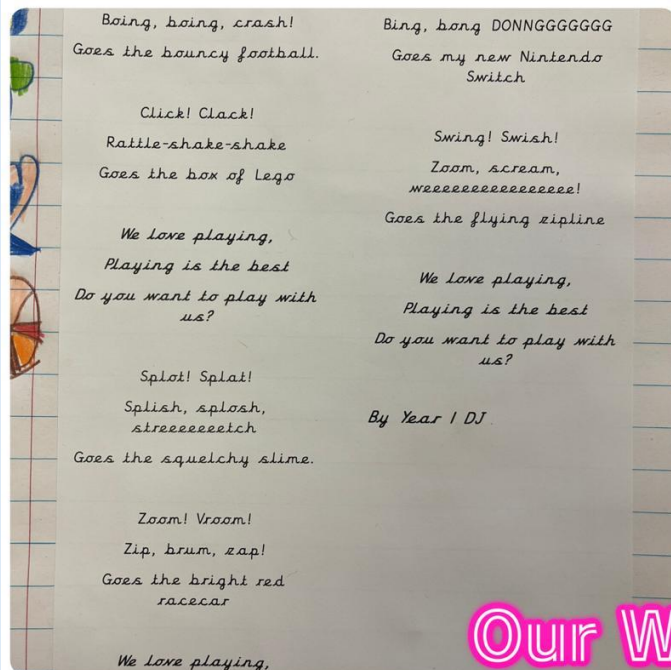




This week Reception have enjoyed talking about who is in their family. In PE they have been learning how to jump and land safely, and have had fun practising different techniques. They have enjoyed sorting natural materials, choosing their own criteria to sort and compare each group.



Year 1 DJ have had such a busy week. We've loved learning using our new maths kitchen and cafe. We've also written a fabulous sound poem all about Play to celebrate National Poetry Day



Our Week in



Year 1-2 enjoyed nature learning. We looked for signs of autumn.



Year 2 enjoyed creating their own weather symbols for the different seasons in Nature Based learning and developing their place value knowledge by recognising tens and ones ☁️ ⚡



Year 2/3 and Year 3 have had a fantastic week.

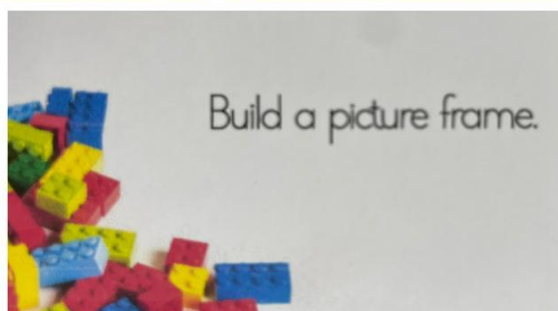


Mr Barlow, a local resident who knows Sully very well, kindly came into class and gave pupils the opportunity to develop their own curiosity and knowledge about Sully. Pupils enjoyed coming up with their own questions to ask- Diolch Mr Barlow! 🏠 🏠

Pupils also enjoyed getting out in the sunshine and exploring what kind of bugs and insects are living within the school grounds. Lots of wriggly worms and 8 legged friends were found 🐛 🐜 🕷️ ?



Lego club has started for Year 4 pupils who want to participate in this lunchtime club! Lots of challenges given and some great design ideas!



Year 5 have been finding out about the history of the transatlantic slave trade as part of our inquiry 'Why do people travel?'

## FINDING OUT ABOUT THE TRANSATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE



Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their Introduction to Sign Language workshop. We learned commonly used signs, and performed Three Little Birds 🐦



DRAMA SINGING DANCE

## JIGSAW CARDIFF & PENARTH

### CARDIFF

Saturday AM, 3-18 years  
Cardiff High School, Ulanowski Road  
Cyncoed, Cardiff, CF23 6WG

Saturday PM, 3-18 years  
Hawell's School Umlandaf  
Cardiff Road, Cardiff, CF5 2YD

### PENARTH

Saturday AM, 3-18 years  
St Cyres School, Sully Road  
Penarth, CF64 2XP

Sunday AM, 3-6 years  
Bella Vue Community Centre  
Penarth, CF64 1DA



BOOK A TWO-WEEK TRIAL TODAY!

T: 029 22 36 24 96 E: [penarth@jigsaw-arts.co.uk](mailto:penarth@jigsaw-arts.co.uk)



WESTBOURNE  
SCHOOL  
2 - 18 YEARS

YOUR KIND  
OF  
*brilliance*  
BELONGS HERE

## Sparking Brilliance Open Morning

Sat 11th Oct | 9.30am - 12.30pm



Open to all **parents & curious learners aged 2-18.**

A morning of innovation and creativity. STEM experiments, coding, business challenges, Forest School, Stay & Play.

SCAN TO BOOK  
YOUR PLACE



MISS SCHOOL MISS OUT  
COLLI'R YSGOL COLLI ALLAN

### We need you to.....

- Send your child to school on time everyday.
- Do not book holidays in term time.
- Keep school informed of your contact details.
- If your child cannot attend school, parents **MUST** contact the school on the morning of the absence

### Did you know.....

- Your child's school expect them to attend everyday.
- That an attendance of 90% is 127 hours of lost learning.
- Attendance below 90% could result in a referral to the inclusion service, a fixed penalty notice or an Education Supervision Order.

### Vale Of Glamorgan Inclusion Service Newsletter, September 2025.

We understand that sometimes getting your children up and out on time every morning can be difficult, particularly if your child doesn't want to go to school for some reason.

We know that children who miss even small amounts of education can fall behind quickly and can miss out on so much. Being in school, on time, increases learning and social opportunities.

### Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN)

An FPN can be issued for 10 unauthorised sessions per term. This is the equivalent to 5 school days. Schools can now request an FPN for holidays taken during term time

Take an interest in your child's education, ask them what they did in school, celebrate their successes and listen to their worries.

If you can't help them, speak to the school and let them know of any difficulties.

If your child is absent get in touch with school. Staff will work with you to help improve the situation. It's better to contact school first so that staff can make sure steps are taken to help you.

Please scan the QR code for further information



### Unauthorised absences.

Unauthorised absences are codes... O, U and G.

There are **175 days** non school days in a year. Please try and book medical appointments in those days or outside of school hours

Please ensure your child arrives on time to start school!

## Vale of Glamorgan – The Inclusion Service - September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome to the first term of the new academic year. We hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer holiday, and the children are refreshed and looking forward to a new year of learning.

We will be sending you termly newsletters via your school communication system to update you with attendance reminders, support that you can access and any updates you need to be aware of.

The Welsh Government have been clear that any child who has attendance below 90% is persistently absent from school. This means that any child with attendance below 90% in July will have missed a minimum of 19 school days.

Regular school attendance is vital to ensure your child does not miss out on lessons, support and social activities held within the school day. Missing school can also impact your child's future earnings. Data has shown that persistently absent pupils in secondary school could earn £10,000 less at age 28 compared to pupils with near-perfect attendance. For each additional day of absence between Years 7 to 11, the typical pupil could miss out on an average of £750 in future lifetime earnings.

This year, in line with other Local Authorities in Wales, any unauthorised holiday taken in term time could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice of a £60 fine per child per parent. We support schools not authorising holidays due to the impact of lost learning and the opportunity to enjoy family days in school holidays.

We have launched our new parent Padlet which will help parents/carers understand more about our service as well as what support is available if you need it. Lots of advice and guidance can also be found – please scan the QR code to access the Padlet.



We hope your child settles into the new school year and enjoys all the lovely opportunities our schools have to offer. Don't forget to speak to your child's teacher/head of year if you have any concerns.

Best wishes

## **Sully Public Open Space Improvements Consultation**

The Council carried out some previous community engagement in October 2023 and following the feedback received we are now proposing to implement the following enhancements within this green space:

- Upgrade the play area near Conybeare Road
- Install natural 'play on the way' elements, a fitness trail and nature trail throughout the adjoining public open space
- Install new seating and resting areas throughout the public open space
- Introduce signage, wayfinding and interpretative information
- Enhance biodiversity within the public open space through wildflower meadows, adjusted mowing regimes, bulb planting, native tree planting and hedgerow planting.

A drop in event will be held next Monday in the Jubilee Hall between 1:30pm and 4:30pm for people to speak to officers about the project which is being funded by Section 106 planning contributions from the new Gwel Yr Ynys housing development in Sully.

Further details about the consultation and a survey for comments can be found on our website via the link below:

[Sully Open Space Improvements | Participate Vale](#)



# SINGING LESSONS

Partner/ small group lessons in Sully Primary School during the school day, working towards exams and performances.

Only £10/week!

[www.AscendenceTheatreArts.co.uk](http://www.AscendenceTheatreArts.co.uk)  
[AscendenceTheatreArts@gmail.com](mailto:AscendenceTheatreArts@gmail.com)



Harp lessons from Year 2 and up:  
If you would like your child to take part in harp lessons please contact Eluned on:

[elunedtheharpist@btinternet.com](mailto:elunedtheharpist@btinternet.com)

We also have a school harp for pupils to practice with.

**Bullies**  **Out**

**Engage!**  
**Empower!**  
**Inspire!**



## Why Join?



### **Change Starts With You**

Be the voice for kindness in your community



### **Have Your Say**

Shape anti-bullying campaigns and raise awareness



### **Join a Positive Squad**

Meet other young change-makers



### **Build Skills for Life**

Gain confidence, leadership, and teamwork skills



### **Make a Real Impact**

Create safer, happier spaces for everyone



### **Boost Your Future**

Strengthen your CV, college, and job applications



### **Be the Inspiration**

Show others that empathy changes lives

## Who Can Join?

Young people, 11-21yrs, who are passionate about creating a kinder, more inclusive world

## Interested?

1. Visit [www.bulliesout.com](http://www.bulliesout.com)
2. Fill in the Youth Ambassador application form

