



Annwyl Parents / Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break, despite the less-than-ideal weather. It's hard to believe we're already into our final half term of the year—and what a busy one it's shaping up to be!

Even though this week has been slightly shorter due to the INSET day, it's been full of activity. We've been delighted to welcome some of our school governors in to work alongside the children and enrich their learning experiences. Our younger pupils had the fantastic opportunity to work with Dawn Thomas in the great outdoors, which even included a trip down to Port Eynon.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mark Bandali kindly joined us for a whole-school rugby taster session—there's more information about this below including how your child can get involved with Fall Bay Rugby Club.

We were also pleased to welcome Swansea Mind, a mental health charity we supported during Mental Health Awareness Week earlier this term. Thanks to your generous support, we raised £121 to help fund their vital programmes. A big thank you to all who contributed and to Mrs. Blakemore for organising.



We were due to head out on our Gower Coastal Adventures speedboat trip this week, but unfortunately, tide conditions meant we had to postpone.

Don't worry—we'll be rescheduling as soon as conditions improve. If you'd like your child to take part when the trip goes ahead, please complete the necessary forms via iPay. If we don't receive the completed forms, we will assume your child will not be participating.

To see photos from the weeks events, please visit our ClassDojo page and Instagram account.

Thank you once again for your continued support. Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

J. G. Paynter

UNCRC Right of the Month



Article 27: The right to a good standard of living.

School Aim of the Month



'High Expectations for All'

Patrwm y Pythefnos - Welsh Patterns to share at home:



Pwy ydy e / hi?

Who is he / she?

'Jac' ydy e / 'Siân' ydy hi.

He is Jack / She is Siân.



Afterschool clubs

In recent weeks, we asked you to complete a questionnaire about afterschool clubs and how we might improve our provision. Thank you to everyone who shared their thoughts with us! We've carefully reviewed the results and are excited to share what we're starting with.

From next Monday, we will be running two afterschool clubs: one for Rec - Y2 and one for Y3 - Y6. This will allow siblings to attend clubs on the same night for your convenience. The Rec - Y2 club will be **Summer Sports**, while the Y3 - Y6 club will be **Quick Cricket**.

Both clubs will run for the remainder of the Summer term, starting Monday 9th June, and will only be cancelled if weather conditions make it necessary. Clubs will begin at **3:30pm** and finish at **4:20pm**. Children can be collected from the yard at the end of the session.

We hope these clubs will be a great success and have plans to add additional clubs later in the week. We will keep you updated in due course.

If you would like your child to attend, please complete the simple form available on iPay. This one form covers both clubs. Any problems please contact the school office.

We look forward to an active and fun term ahead!



Fall Bay Rugby

As mentioned above, we were delighted to be joined by one of our Governors, Mark Bandalli, on Wednesday, who organised a rugby taster session for all pupils at Knelston. It was a fantastic afternoon, with every child participating enthusiastically. For many, it was their first time even holding a rugby ball, but Mark was really impressed by how quickly the children picked up the skills.

At Knelston, we are passionate about promoting sport and physical activity. Rugby, in particular, offers many benefits—it encourages teamwork, builds resilience, and helps develop fitness and coordination. Beyond the physical advantages, rugby fosters a strong sense of community and belonging, something I know well from my own experience playing.



Mark is one of the junior coaches at Fall Bay Rugby Club, a community-focused, inclusive, and friendly club that puts enjoyment first. Children of all ages and abilities are very welcome. If your child is interested in joining a practice session or two in the autumn, please feel free to contact Mark directly at m_bandalli@hotmail.com.



We look forward to seeing our young players continue to develop and enjoy rugby both at school and beyond!

The children's highlights of the week! Wythnos yma!

Mrs Osborn's class REC/Y1/Y2

- ✓ Nursery Forest School taster,
- ✓ Reception Forest School on the beach,
- ✓ Continued with their tourist guide and Year 2's have written their own.
- ✓ Counting in 2's, 5's, 10's and Year 2's have been learning about arrays.
- ✓ Rugby with Mark Bandalli!
- ✓ Butterflies have arrived!

Mrs Porter's class Y3/4

- ✓ Rugby with Mark Bandalli!
- ✓ Using arrays for multiplication and division,
- ✓ Endangered bird species project in literacy.

Mr Donovan's class Y5/6

- ✓ Publishing our non-chronological reports, ready for our class novel,
- ✓ Finalised our plans and products ahead of next weeks refugee event at Bishopston Primary,
- ✓ In maths, we finished a unit on measuring and started a unit on fractions, decimals and percentages.
- ✓ Rugby with Mark Bandalli!

Finally...

As always, if you have queries, compliments, complaints, concerns or issues you would like to discuss please speak to a member of staff. If family or friends help with school runs, we'd love for you to share the weekly newsletter with them. Please also make sure we have your updated contact details so we can stay connected!

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Dymuniadau gorau,

J G Paynter

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Date	Activity	Additional Information
10.06.25	Athletics Competition	Y4+
12.06	Y6 Refugee Event	Enterprise Event at Bishopston Primary
12.06.25	Pilgrimage	Vicar Peter to take Reception to Year 2 on part of the Gower Pilgrimage route.
19.06.25	Swansea Mosque	Years 2-6 taking a trip to Swansea Mosque - More details TBC
16.06.25 - 20.06.25	Scholastic Book Fair	Whole School
23.06.25	Pilgrimage	Vicar Peter to take Y3/4 on part of the Gower Pilgrimage route.
23.06.25	Year 6 Transition Day	
26.06.25	Sports Day!	
27.06.25	Y5/6 River Study	Trip to Illston with Dawn Thomas
30.06.25	Y3/4 Canal Study	Trip with Dawn Thomas - location TBC
30.06.25	Year 6 Transition Day	
01.07.25	Year 6 Transition Day	
02.07.25	Year 6 Transition Day	
03.07.25	Food to Fork	Knelston school dinner supplemented with our home-grown food
06.07.25	PTA Sunday Funday at Sports Club - 11-3pm	
08.07.25	Royal Life Saving Society Assembly	
09.07.25	Summer Show!	
10.07.25	Summer Show!	
11.07.25	Royal Life Saving Society Championships - Selected pupils to go watch.	
14.07.25	Mumbles Land Train	Reception to Year 4 heading to Mumbles
14.07.25	Pilgrimage	Vicar Peter to take Y5/6 on part of the Gower Pilgrimage route.
15.07.25	End of year Ice Cream Van!	
17.07.25	Y6 Leavers Assembly - Afternoon	
18.07.25	Last Day of School	
21.07.25	INSET DAY - END OF SCHOOL YEAR	

WEEKLY EVENTS:

Basil the Burns reading dog.

Mr Smith - Music

Monday 1st September 2025 - Confirmed first Inset of Academic Year 25/26

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