

Llanfair Primary School

April 2026 Newsletter



Dates for the Diary

Monday 13th April	Nursery closure morning
Monday 13th April	Summer term starts for pupils in reception to year 6
Thursday 16th April	Y6 trip to Crucial Crew
Friday 24th April	Month of the military child—Purple Up Day
Monday 4th May	Early May Bank Holiday
Thursday 7th May	Pen Y Fan (year1/2 Mrs Kumar and Mrs Trigg) class assembly at 9.15am
Monday 11th May	Online safety workshop for parents at 3.40pm
Monday 11th May— Thursday 14th May	Scholastic Bookfayre
Wednesday 13th May	Tempest photography—class photos
Monday 18th May	Inset Day
Thursday 21st May	Maths workshop for parents
Monday 25th May	HALF TERM
W/C 8th June	Tray and Display children's work event (further information to follow)
Wednesday 17th June	SPORTS DAY
Wednesday 24th June	Sports Day reserve
Thursday 25th June	Year 6 transition at Cowbridge Comprehensive School Year 6 transition at Llantwit Major Comprehensive School
Friday 26th June	Year 6 transition at Llantwit Major Comprehensive School
Tuesday 30th June	Year 3 and 4 trip to Atlantic College
Friday 3rd July	PTA Splash Out event
Wednesday 8th July	Y6 leavers party
Thursday 9th July	Y6 trip to Heatherton
Wednesday 15th July	Y6 Leavers assembly
Thursday 16th July	Summer Party (PTA event)

* anything amended/ extra that has been added to the original dates for the diary which was sent at the start of term

After school Clubs Summer term 2026

A list of the extra curricular clubs for the summer term and a Google form to book will be sent out in the first week back after half term. **Choir will start the first week back after Easter on Wednesday 15th April.**

All other clubs will start on Monday 27th April and will end on Friday 26th June.

UNCRC Rights of the Month

As a school we learn about Children's Rights.

The Rights for the month of April are:



Sports Day

Sports day this year will be held on Wednesday 17th June with a back up date pencilled in for Wednesday 24th June. The foundation phase sports day will start at 9.30am with nursery pupils participating first.

The afternoon session will see the Years 3 to 6 compete. Pupils will take part in a range of races throughout the afternoon. The event will start at 1.30pm.



MATHS Workshop FOR PARENTS

As part of our school improvement focus on strengthening pupils' mathematical understanding and confidence, we are delighted to offer two parent workshops this term.

Mathematics is a vital life skill. It helps children to think logically, solve problems, recognise patterns and understand the world around them. Strong mathematical foundations support success across the curriculum and play an important role in developing resilience, reasoning and independence.

YEARS 3-6 Maths Workshop (All parents are welcome to attend)

Date: Thursday 21st May at 9:10am

This session will explore how we teach mathematical reasoning and problem-solving in years 3-6. Teachers will introduce the **Concrete–Pictorial–Abstract (CPA)** approach used throughout the school to build deep conceptual understanding.

We will share examples of the strategies pupils use to tackle calculations and multi-step problems, including:

- using concrete manipulatives (e.g., place value counters, base ten, fraction tiles)
- representing ideas pictorially (e.g., bar models, number lines, arrays)
- moving towards abstract methods (formal written methods and efficient mental strategies)

The workshop will highlight the resources, models and question types we use to develop fluency, reasoning and mathematical vocabulary and how these approaches can be supported at home.

Note: Parents from Foundation Learning who are interested are very welcome to attend this workshop.

FOUNDATION LEARNING MATHS WORKSHOP (Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2)

Date: Thursday 21st May at 10:00am

This session will focus on early mathematical development, including number sense, counting principles, pattern, shape and early calculation strategies.

Led by our Foundation Learning teachers, the workshop will introduce the **CPA approach** in early maths and show how we use hands-on learning to build secure foundations. The session will include demonstrations of key resources such as:

- Numicon
- counters and cubes
- ten frames
- bead strings

Teachers will share simple strategies that parents can use at home to support early maths understanding in fun and practical ways.

Upcoming PTA Events



PTA Committee Roles Available...

Sadly, some of the PTA Committee Members will be finishing this school year, and we will therefore need to fill the roles of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Vice Treasurer.

Role explanations:

- Chairman – Oversees the PTA, leads meetings, helps organise events, and ensures the committee runs smoothly and works towards supporting the school.
- Vice Chairman – Supports the Chairman and steps in when they are unavailable, helping with events, planning, and general committee duties.
- Treasurer – Manages the PTA finances, including handling money from events, keeping financial records, and reporting on income and spending.
- Vice Treasurer – Assists the Treasurer with financial tasks and takes over responsibilities if the Treasurer is unavailable.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the PTA and would like to discuss it further, please email us at lilanfairprimaryschoolpta@gmail.com

Eco-Heroes Fact of the Month



Did you know?

Only 9% of all plastic produced is recycled, with 460 million tonnes created annually.

We can all cut down on the amount of plastic that we use as we can also limit the amount of single use plastics that we buy.

Written by Amber Year 4

Inset days

The remaining inset days for the academic year will be taken on:

- **Monday 18th May**
- **Monday 20th July.**
- **One to be confirmed.**

Comic Relief



Thank you to everyone who supported Comic Relief this year. The school raised **£ 392.50** in total which is fantastic!

As we approach the end of the Spring term, I just wanted to take a moment to wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break I hope you get the chance to unwind, spend time with loved ones, and maybe even enjoy a little sunshine!

The children have worked so hard this term, and I'm sure they'll be excited to reunite with their friends and teachers when Summer term starts on Monday 13th April. We've got a lot of fun activities lined up for the next term and I'm looking forward to seeing their energy and enthusiasm in the classroom.

Thank you for all your support this term. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out anytime.

Wishing you all a peaceful and happy Easter!

Best wishes,

Mr R Jones and Mrs J Shewell

