Maes Ebbw School Newsletter

20 November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a busy week at Maes Ebbw and planning is underway for our festive events during December. We look forward to welcoming you and family members to join us for your child's Christmas Concert and the Christmas Fayre! Here are the notable dates for your diary.

Elf Day

On Tuesday 1st December, many of the staff will come dressed as elves! Pupils can wear an elf outfit/item if they wish to, or can wear their normal clothes if that is their choice.

Christmas Concerts

PMLD *Aderyn, Enfys, Haul and Seren*
Thursday 17 December 10.15-11.15am

Early Years *Afon, Awyr and Lleuad*
Thursday 17 December 1.45-2.45pm

Primary *Blodyn, Coedwig, Deri, Llyn and Tan*
Tuesday 15 December 10.15-11.15am

Secondary *Celyn, Eirlys, Ffynon, Helyg, Morfa, Onnen and Rhos.*
Wednesday 9 December 1.45-2.45pm

Maes Ebbw Bach *Clogwyn and Graig* – ***Production at Bach site, St John's Road.***
Wednesday 9 December 10.15-11.15am

Christmas Fayre

The fayre will take place 10.00-11.30am on Friday 11 December.

We would be most grateful for donations for our raffle – if you have any new unwanted gift sets, bottles, toys, chocolates, candles, please could you send them into school by Friday 4 December.

Parent Group will be preparing the raffle and prizes, if you would like to join in and have a cuppa and a chat you are always welcome – Wednesday 9.30-11.00am.

Christmas Lunch

All pupils and staff will receive a Christmas lunch on Wednesday, 16th December. We like to make it a special occasion with as many pupils as possible having their lunch in the hall together with the staff. We decorate the hall, play Christmas songs and all get together for a lovely lunch. Please be aware that on 16th December the only lunch available will be the Roast Turkey (Halal) or a vegetarian roast dinner option (specific dietary requirements will be catered for).

Welsh Word of the Week

Moon - Lleuad

Term Dates and Inset Days

End of Term:	Friday 18 December 2026
Spring Term:	Tuesday 5 January to Friday 5 February 2027
Half Term:	**Monday 8 to Friday 12 February 2027**
Spring Term:	Tuesday 16 February to Friday 19 March 2027
Inset Days:	**Monday 4 January 2027**
	Monday 15 February 2027
	Monday 5 April 2027
	Tuesday 20 July 2027

GROWING TOGETHER GWENT

Connecting Schools, Families & Communities Through Volunteering

Contact us to get involved!

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Growing Together Gwent is all about helping children, young people and families discover the joy of volunteering, getting involved in their communities and making a positive difference.

We're working with schools, families and local organisations across Gwent to create fun, accessible and meaningful volunteering opportunities for everyone.

Mind in Gwent

Newport Community of Practice networking group meeting

Date – **Wednesday 9th December' 26**

Time - **10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Venue – **At Newport Mind Office – Training Room (Floor 1)**

Agenda Items:

- Update around the table on current services across Newport for young people and families.
- **Natalie and Marca from ADHD + Newport (Parent/Carer Support Group)** will be attending to discuss what they do and how they support families and Young people within the community.
- **Ceri Reed- Parents voice in Wales family support group for ND / Young People** and Ceri delivers training for children in wales charity.
- **Charlotte Cook from Aneurin Bevan UHB Family and Therapies Team** will be discussing her role and service provision they offer Families and Young people.
- Group discussion about the goals of the group going forward
- AOB

The sessions are facilitated by us but the content is community led, so very much depends on what topics are brought to the table. Attendees are parents/caregivers, young people, professionals, and other community members.

It is a good opportunity to meet other professionals face to face and to also hear different perspectives and thoughts around youth mental health in Newport from the local community.