



The Governor's Gazette

2022-2023

Issue 4



ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

A WORD FROM THE CHAIR

What a year! It's be delightful to see pupils at Ninian Park Primary take to the stage and put on a show. From Nursery to Year 6 all our pupils have had the chance to take part in a concert, and what a variety we had - snowmen, bees or dragons. The school has rung with music from singing, hip-hop and drumming.

As always, we encourage our pupils to develop empathy, compassion and understanding. This year Refugee Week and the visitors we were delighted to invite into school, have helped gain us the School of Sanctuary Award; in recognition of the warm and welcoming environment we aim to offer parents, pupils and our local community.

Thank you to all the parents, friends and neighbours who help Ninian Park constantly thrive to fulfil our aims, making Grangetown somewhere we can all Enjoy, Respect, Achieve.

Our Annual Parents' Meeting

A meeting will be held to explain the Governors' report to parents, if there is appropriate interest. If you would like this meeting to take place, please contact Miss Willis (clerk to the governors) on 02920 388 991.

Who's Who on the Governing Body?

Chair person = Ms L. Morris

- Contact via email
chairperson5@hwbcymru.net
- Community Governor

Clerk = Mrs H. Willis

- Contact via 029 20 388 991 or email
ninianparkprm@cardiff.gov.uk and please include
Governors in the email title.

Headteacher: Miss J. Scott

Parent Governors – These are elected by parental vote & serve for 4 years.

Mr D. Hirani – November 2023

Mrs S. Budeanu – October 2025

Mrs A. Joti – March 2027

Mr S. Tyagi – March 2027

Ms A. Hussain – September 2026

Local Authority Governors – These are appointed by the Local Authority.

Mr I. Gittens – February 2025

Mr J. Edwards – November 2026

Cllr L. Thorne – April 2025

One vacancy

Staff Governors – These are elected from the staff by the staff.

Mrs R. Dyke – September 2025

Mrs C. Morris – October 2025

Mrs N. Preston – October 2025

Community Governors – These are approached by the school.

Mrs M. Ballett – October 2023

Mrs D. Williams – April 2026

Mr L. Jenkins-Jones – September 2026

Sport

This year has been another busy and sporty one for us. We have seen a surge in pupils signing up to after school clubs and staff finding new opportunities for our pupils to get active.

We have used our bike fleet to offer free Learn to Ride sessions for Years 4 and 5. This year we have seen our first Year 6 pupils (who used this opportunity to learn to ride in previous years) complete the cycling proficiency course alongside their classmates. Da iawn.

The weather was kind to us again this year, and we held our Sports Day in Sevenoaks Park. Due to having to book the park in advance, we did miss some of our Ninian community as it fell on the same day as Eid, but everyone (both in school and out of it) had a great day. The activities were planned, organised and delivered by our PE Masters Pupil Action Group and the fabulous Mrs Hill. It was wonderful to see so many parents able to attend and cheer on our athletes.

Mrs Griffiths has continued her very popular gymnastics club and entered teams into the Welsh schools Novice, Floor and Vault and Milano trios sections. We were all delighted with their haul of medals from 1st to 4th. Two girls also entered the Welsh Schools Sports Acro pairs event gaining two 3rd places and one talented boy got to the finals of the Cardiff and Vales Schools competition with his floor and vault.

The school developed links with Cardiff Met and Cardiff City Football Club this year enabling us to offer more sporting opportunities both in school time and afterwards. As always, Miss Holly Padfield (our award winning Health Mentor) has run a variety of sports and art clubs for KS2 which change each half term to ensure as many pupils as possible get the chance to take part.

A YEAR IN PICTURES

Food, Glorious, Food!

The Language Leaders and Warm Welcome Warriors (two of our Pupil Action Groups) organised an amazing Refugee Week, which included a request for donations of food. Our generous community donated 374.2kg of food, that is enough to feed 34 people for 3 days.

Thank you to everyone who



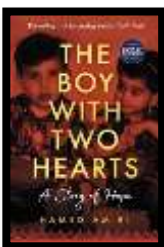
contributed food, offers of help and good wishes.

School of Sanctuary

At Ninian Park we have always prided ourselves on being welcoming to families from across the world. This year we have been working on becoming a School of Sanctuary to those from other countries. We have read stories about refugees and people who have moved to Britain. We wore clothes from our counties/cultures and made a cultural cookery book. The results were delicious and colourful!



THE BOY WITH TWO HEARTS



If you want to be inspired, you just had to listen to Hamed Amiri speak of his journey from Afghanistan to Cardiff as a 10 year old boy. As an author he has been on the BBC and had his award winning book made into a play that has been performed at the Wales



Millennium Centre. He had our pupils laughing and crying at his stories. They were great, asking interesting

questions and showing empathy with his experiences.

Hip, Hop, Hooray!



Year 3 have been very busy working with a Hip Hop dance crew in the summer term. They have learnt some cool moves, choreographed their dance and even written their own rap. A huge thank you Elemental Force (the Hip Hop crew) from both the children and the staff for a very memorable experience.

King of the Castle

SPORT IS FOR EVERYONE



Year 5 were delighted to be able to visit Cardiff Castle in June. They had a fantastic tour and completed several workshops, learning all about how and why the castle was built as well as what life was like in the past.



Year 4 were very privileged to get to speak to Dan May, who plays wheelchair basketball. He is the Disability Sports Intern at Cardiff Met Sports and spoke passionately about how sport can be inclusive and benefit

everyone. He inspired Year 4 to try out some more unusual sports and think about how to be a good team player.

☀ Fun in the sun! ☀



This year we have been working hard at finding ways to take our learning outside. Classes across the school have been on maths trails; investigating the plant and bug life in the Forest Schools area; performing dramas to an audience on the

amphitheatre; painting shapes with water on the playground; spelling in chalk; completing messy science experiments and much much more. Thanks to our outdoor classroom (Den Dysgu) even the weather doesn't have to stop us!

Happy Coronation

As part of our celebration of the coronation of King Charles III we had a parade, a picnic, a royal ball and planted two fruit trees with the help of Councillor Ashley Lister, Councillor Sarah Merry and the Director of Education, Mel Godfrey.



HAPPY MOSHOESHOE'S DAY!

Our school has very strong links with Lesotho as a result of Miss Norrish going to Thaba Tseka in 2018 to work with the pupils and teachers. Since then we have further developed our global citizenship skills through our Connecting

Classrooms project. Learners in both countries complete work on sustainability and celebrate each other's national days. Look out for information on our next project in September 2023.



Festival Fiesta Fun!

For the first time ever, Ninian Park held our very own two day festival! We had drumming, football, ice-cream, mindfulness, parachute games, weaving, bunting making, circus skills, an obstacle course and much, much more. Even the sun supported us. The feedback from pupils, parents and staff has proclaimed it an overwhelming success. Diolch Team Festival!

- Inclusivity at Ninian Park -

Our school building is accessible to pupils with disabilities. The staff and governors constantly review the accessibility of the building and the curriculum to ensure everyone has access to high quality, inclusive education. This includes Personal and Social Education sessions, staff training, assemblies, visitors, inclusive projects and liaising with parents and specialists. The school has three sensory rooms; ramps at all main entrances; appropriate toilet and changing facilities, as well as three showers.

Further information

We would love to get your feedback on this report; and if you have any questions please email us on ninianparkprm@cardiff.gov.uk, phone us on **029 20 388 991** or speak to a member of staff. Information on the school can also be found on our website – [www.ninianparkprm .cardiff.sch.uk](http://www.ninianparkprm.cardiff.sch.uk); and on Twitter following [@nppschoo1](https://twitter.com/nppschoo1).

Community Links

This year we have been trying to re-establish face-to-face links with the community -

- Whole school Children in Need/World Children's Day event, organised by Rights Respecting Pupil Action Group. It raised £370 for charity.
- Links re-established with Grangetown Hwb for classes to visit the library.
- Curriculum meetings held for parents from Reception to Year 6.
- Class assemblies – parents invited to attend. These have included Harvest, Black History Month, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Easter, Eid, Spring, Rights Respecting, Book week, and Ramadan.
- School Police Officer has visited school to deliver sessions to year 5 and 6 on knife crime and drugs.
- School Nursing Team have been in school to carry out flu vaccinations, hearing, height and weight tests.
- Dental Team have delivered 'Design to Smile' sessions for Nursery and Reception and fluoride varnishing for pupils in Progression Steps 1 and 2.
- Parents Consultation meetings have been held for Reception to Year 6. In October this included a 'Parents Market Place' where representatives from dental team, Grangetown Hub and other community agencies came to offer advice and support to parents.
- Whole school individual, family and class photographs have taken place.
- Whole school took part in Red Nose Day/Earthquake Appeal event – this was organised by the Rights Respecting Pupil Action Group. £740 was raised for charity.
- All the RSE resources were shared with parents from Nursery to Year 6.
- The Grangetown Festival was the focus for workshops to create costumes that were worn by our staff and pupils who took part in the parade.
- Pupils and staff took part in Tafwyl at Cardiff Castle, singing Welsh songs. The only English language school to be invited to sing.
- Sports Day was held in Sevenoaks Park from Nursery to Year 6 with many parents in attendance.
- Whole school took part in our Ninian Festival Day in Sevenoaks Park, with music, games, activities and food.

Additional information

There was no Governor AGM this year as there was no parental interest.

The Governor Annual General Meeting (AGM) is a chance for non-governors to hear what the Governing Body has been working on over the previous year, including financial matters, key events and a chance to ask questions. This is your chance to find out more about the school and has an open invitation to anyone who is interested to attend. Please contact Mrs Willis (via the school office) to express your interest.

Changes to prospectus

This year the prospectus was altered to reflect the ending of Covid restrictions. It includes updates about the introduction of Curriculum For Wales in September 2022.

Action plan

1 – Curriculum for Wales

- Ensure teaching is consistent, as well as, skills and knowledge based across the school
- Work with the cluster to develop progression
- Refine attainment, progression and assessment in C4W
- Further develop independence across the school.

2 – Wellbeing and attitudes to learning

- Further develop children's attitudes to learning and behaviour in all environments.

3 – Leadership and management

- All staff consistently discharge their roles and responsibilities.
- Further develop the role of pupil leaders across the school.

Policies reviewed 2021-2022

The following policies were reviewed by the full governing body.

- October 2022
 - Child Protection Policy
 - Disclosure and Barring Service Policy
- April 2023
 - Whistleblowing Policy
 - Complaints Policy

Additional Learning Needs

We continue to provide quality provision via universal and targeted support. 'Universal' support means what we offer on a day-to-day basis for all of the children and 'Targeted' means more specific support for children with IDPs or medical needs. Children may access 'Booster' sessions which will aim to 'close the gap' in reading, spelling, phonics or Maths.

Health and Wellbeing interventions continue to support children. We have delivered: Thrive (1-1 and group), ELSA, Health and Wellbeing Mentoring, Near-Peer tutoring, Forest Schools, Yoga.

Very strong relationships continue with specialist teams from education and health who work with school to ensure the needs of all children are met to the best of our ability. If deemed necessary, training is available to ensure all staff are aware of current procedures and practice.

Our relationships with the cluster schools continues to be a strength of the school and ensures we are consistent with IDPs and targeted provision. We meet regularly to moderate our reports

and IDPs, discuss our costed provision mapping and interventions. Very strong links continue with the High Schools to allow for enhanced transition in the Summer term.

Promotion of an inclusive environment is constantly evolving eg) health and wellbeing calm corners, 'Proud Clouds' to highlight individual achievements, good quality continuous and enhanced provision in PS1 and PS2, use of Rights, Thrive and Trauma Informed language.

Admission interviews, reviews and meetings are person-centred, focusing on each child and questions are asked to determine whether current provision is appropriate or if any further 'reasonable adjustments' are necessary.

Financial report

This is a summary of the financial expenditure at Ninian Park Primary over the last two years.

Financial Outturn for 2022/23

	2021/22	2022/23
	£	£
Total Staffing Costs/Cyfanswm Costau Staff	2,710,809	2,997,570
Total Premises Related Costs/Cyfanswm Costau Eiddo	222,376	224,573
Total Supplies and Services/Cyfanswm Cyflenwadau a Gwasanaethau	254,464	63,383
Total for Central Services/Cyfanswm ar gyfer Gwasanaethau Canolog	86,608	18,955
Total Expenditure/Cyfanswm Gwariant	3,274,257	3,304,481
Total Income/Cyfanswm Incwm	1,002,946	929,601
Total Net Expenditure/Cyfanswm Gwariant Net	2,271,311	2,374,880

Source - Cardiff Council's Outturn Statement - should be uploaded to the Education Portal

When you have finished with this report please recycle it in an appropriate place. Thank you for taking the time to read this and engage with our school.