



Ninian Park News



We are a Rights Respecting School where the best interests of the child are a top priority in all decisions and actions that affect children .(UNCRC Article 3)

January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now well into the Spring term and learning is very much under way in all of our classes. Throughout the school children are busy with their enquiry work, missions and challenges. We are looking forward to sharing children's learning and progress with you at our Parents Meetings which will take place later in the term.

The Spring is always a particularly busy one and there are lots of events happening between now and the Easter holidays. Please see below for greater detail. As always you can see photographs and updates about events and work in school on the Website, on X (Twitter) and on your child's Seesaw account.

School attendance is always on the news and it is a national priority for schools in Wales currently. As a cluster of primary schools we have been looking at how we can work together with parents to support families in ensuring their children are able to access learning as much as possible. Please see the letter re attendance at the end of this newsletter.

Best wishes, Miss Scott

Parents Evening— Spring Term 2025

Parents Consultation week for the Spring term will be held in the week beginning 31st March.

This will be an opportunity to meet with Your child's teacher and review your child's progress. You will also be able to see their work.

Links to allow you to book appointments will be sent nearer the time.

Spring term reports to parents will also be sent home that week.

We look forward to welcoming you then.

Iftar at Ninian Park

After a successful event last year we will be holding an Iftar at Ninian Park on Thursday 13th March.

All families and children will be welcome to join in on this evening.



If you would like to find out more, or be involved in the planning Miss Scott is holding two meetings Thursday 20th February at 9.00 a.m. and 3.15 p.m. Parents are welcome to attend whichever meeting is more convenient to them.

School Eisteddfod and World Book Day

The school Eisteddfod will be held on Friday 7th March as part of our 'Wales Week (Cymru am Byth)'. Children can come to school dressed in traditional Welsh dress, Welsh sports kit or the colours of the Welsh flag (red, white and green) on that day.



This year at Ninian Park we will be having a 'Book Week' in the week beginning 24th March. **This will be instead of World Book Day.** Friday 28th March will be the day where children can come to school dressed as a book character or in comfy pyjamas ready to listen to or read a story if they wish.

Parking Plea

Please can parents take care when parking at the beginning and end of the school day.



School is regularly being contacted by local residents who are unable to go to work, or pick their own children up from school as their drives are blocked by parents picking up/dropping off their children at Ninian Park.

We appreciate that parking is difficult around school, particularly at the beginning and end of the day, but please help us to keep everyone safe and allow our local neighbours access to and from their houses.

Thank you



Have you claimed all the support you can get with school costs?

The Welsh Government offers support with Free School Meals and School Essentials such as uniform, kit and stationery.

Even if your child already receives Universal Primary Free School Meals, more help could be available!

If eligible, you could get:

- up to £200 per child for School Essentials
- extra funding for your school

Search: [Get Help with School Costs](#)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please find below key dates for the rest of this term. As you can see there are some exciting things happening. We hope you will be able to share some of these events with us.

Updates will be posted on the website or communicated via Twitter/X and GroupEd.

You will be notified of additional events such as class assemblies and concerts as dates are confirmed.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week beginning 03/02/25	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	
Week Beg. 10/02/25	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency Orchard trip to Parc Place	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency	Year 6 on trip to Techniquest	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency
Week Beg. 17/02/25			Stay and Play in orchard	ALN coffee morning Iftar meeting 9 a.m or 3.30 p.m	INSET DAY School closed to pupils.
Saturday 22nd February – Sunday 2nd March - HALF TERM					
Week beg. 03/03/25 Week 1	Wales Week (Cymru am Byth)	Wales Week (Cymru am Byth)	Wales Week (Cymru am Byth)	Wales Week (Cymru am Byth)	Eisteddfod— Come dressed in traditional dress or red, white and green.
Week beg. 10/03/25				Iftar at Ninian Park	
Week beg. 17/03/25		PS2 (Year 1, 2, and 3) Concert—09:30 and 13:30	PS2 (Year 1, 2, and 3) Concert—09:30	World Water Day	
Week beg. 24/3/25	Book Week	Book Week	Book Week	Book Week	Book Week— dress up as a book character or in pyjamas for a story.
Week beg. 31/3/25	Parents' Evening	Parents' Evening	Parents' Evening	Parents' Evening	
Week beg: 07/04/25					Non-uniform day
Saturday 12th April – Sunday 27th April - Easter Holidays					



31st January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Attendance in the Fitzalan Primary School cluster

The Primary Schools in the Fitzalan cluster have worked on our attendance procedures to ensure that there is consistency for all children in our local area. Our expectation is that unless they are ill, every child is in school, on time, every day.

We have employed two School Attendance Officers who will work with, and support, families who are finding attendance difficult. You will be able to see them on the gates in the mornings and can arrange appointments to talk with them for advice if this is helpful to you.

We have revised the Attendance Policy and Procedures accordingly and a copy can be found here: <https://go.ly/7eTPN> or you can ask for a paper copy at the school office. As a starting point for parents, if your child's attendance is under 93% for this academic year, you will receive a letter from school next week telling you the latest attendance figures for your child/children. We appreciate that there are many reasons why your child's attendance may have dropped below 93%. Our aim is that together we can improve and maintain attendance for all children and we may get in touch with you to see how we can support you further.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask your child's headteacher.

Best wishes

Miss J. Scott – Ninian Park Primary	Mr. N. Wilson – Severn Primary
Mrs S. Chase – Grangetown Primary	Mrs R. Patel – Kitchener Primary
Mrs H. Borley – Mount Stuart Primary	Mrs M. Jones – Lansdowne Primary
Mrs L. Williams – Radnor Primary	Miss N. Brinning – Grangetown Nursery
Mrs N. Prichard – St Mary the Virgin Church in Wales Primary	
Mrs R. Wiltshire – St Paul's Church in Wales Primary	

Headteachers
Fitzalan Primary Schools Cluster