Monday 11th May – Week 1

Key Dates & Information

INSET Days	19/06/2026, 20/07/2026
Parental Engagement Evenings	Year 7 – 11/06/2026
Coleg Gwent Open Events	June 23rd 5pm – 7.30pm
HPV Vaccinations	14/05/26
Caer Heritage Humanites trip	21/05/2026
May Half Term	25/05/26 – 29/05/26

Important Links

Extra-Curricular activities	Brynmawr Foundation School - Extra Curricular
ParentPay	ParentPay
School Menu	Brynmawr Foundation School - School Catering
Classcharts	Access pupil details
School Cloud	SchoolCloud - Brynmawr Foundation School
Neurodiversity Support Hub	Home - Neurodiversity Gwent

Reminders for the week ahead

Free pupil breakfast	Breakfast is available to all pupils before school. Please encourage pupils to take advantage of this.
Attendance	Full attendance is expected. If your child is absent please call the absence line or leave a message on Classcharts before 9.30am.
Unwell pupils	If your child becomes unwell during the school day please remind them to follow school protocol and inform pupil services before contacting home themselves.

What have we been up to….?

BFS

PE

Humanities

ALN

Resource Base

Technology

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another successful week at school. Although it has been a shorter week than usual, it has still been a very positive one for our pupils.

We are delighted to share further success in athletics. The PE department took a number of our pupils to compete in the County Championships this week, and they produced some fantastic performances. Three of our pupils were crowned South East Wales champions and will now go on to compete at the World Championships in July. We are extremely proud of their achievements and their efforts against strong competition from other schools.

GCSE examinations also began this week for our Year 10 and Year 11 pupils. We wish them the very best of luck and will continue to support them throughout this important exam season. As in previous years, we have adapted the school day at this time, with lunchtime moving earlier to allow appropriate time for afternoon examinations. While this adjustment can be challenging for some pupils, it is an important measure to ensure we fully support them during this key period.

We would also like to share the good news that one of our staff members, Miss Jones was awarded as Teacher Ambassador for Parliaments Education Service last week which demonstrates the commitment and hard work she has put in with our pupil leaders so far this year.

Our pupils continue to work hard, and we greatly appreciate your ongoing support in ensuring that your children arrive at school punctually and fully equipped for their learning.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

G McNamara

Attendance Form of the week

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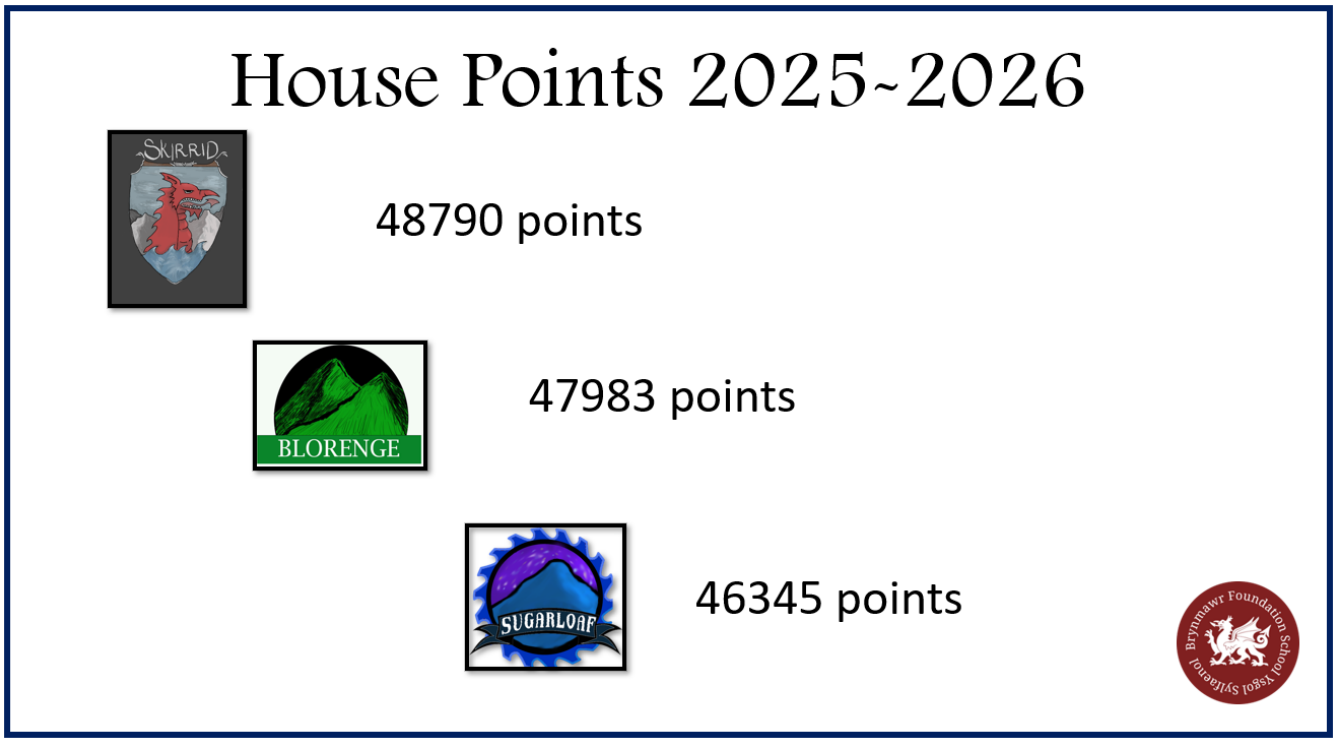
Most improved attendance award goes to **9TTW**

Weekly Attendance Figures 27TH April 2026

	This Week Girls	This Week Boys	**2025-26 Girls**	**2025-26 Boys**	2024-2025 Girls	2024–2025 Boys
Year 7	92.2%	92.9%	93.7%	93.6%	92.2%	90.8%
Year 8	89.4%	90.8%	91.1%	91.4%	88.5%	91.5%
Year 9	85.2%	94.9%	85.9%	92.1%	86.9%	89.9%
Year 10	90.0%	90.0%	88.9%	90.4%	85.1%	88.2%
Year 11	84.1%	89.4%	84.7%	86.2%	88.4%	90.6%
Total	88.3%	91.8%	89.2%	90.9%	88.3%	90.3%



📢 Summer 2026 Examinations (Y10 & Y11)

The Summer 2026 examination season has now started.

- Individual pupil examination timetables are on display in the House – please ensure you check these carefully.
- Year groups have now received their final GCSE predicted grades.
- Lunch arrangements have been adjusted to accommodate early exam starts.

Key reminders:

- Morning exams: pupils must be on site by **8:35am**
- Afternoon exams: pupils must be on site by **12:30pm**

Please ensure punctuality and preparedness for all examinations. Best of luck to all pupils!

📢 Standardised Testing (Years 7–10)

Over the coming weeks, pupils across Years 7 to 10 will be completing their standardised reading, maths and cognitive testing. This will begin with the **HWB Personalised Assessment in Reading**.

Pupils will complete these assessments together in the examination room. The results will help us to plan effectively, ensuring we meet the support, challenge and learning needs of every child.

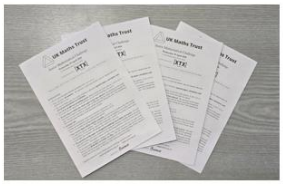
Important information:

- Pupils would benefit from bringing their **own wired earphones** for tests that require audio.
- Wired earphones are available to purchase from **Pupil Services for £1**.
- A limited number will also be available to borrow if needed.

Please ensure pupils come prepared for their assessments.

Last week, members of our Pi Squad Maths Club took part in the Junior Mathematical Challenge.
At today's meeting, we worked on solving problems from this competition.

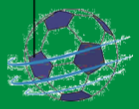
The mathematical fun continues every week without interruption, every Friday, in room B6 during lunchtime.



UK Maths Trust

SPORTS LUNCHTIME CLUBS
11th – 15th May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Badminton	Cricket	Just Dance	*No Clubs*	Y7&8 Dodgeball

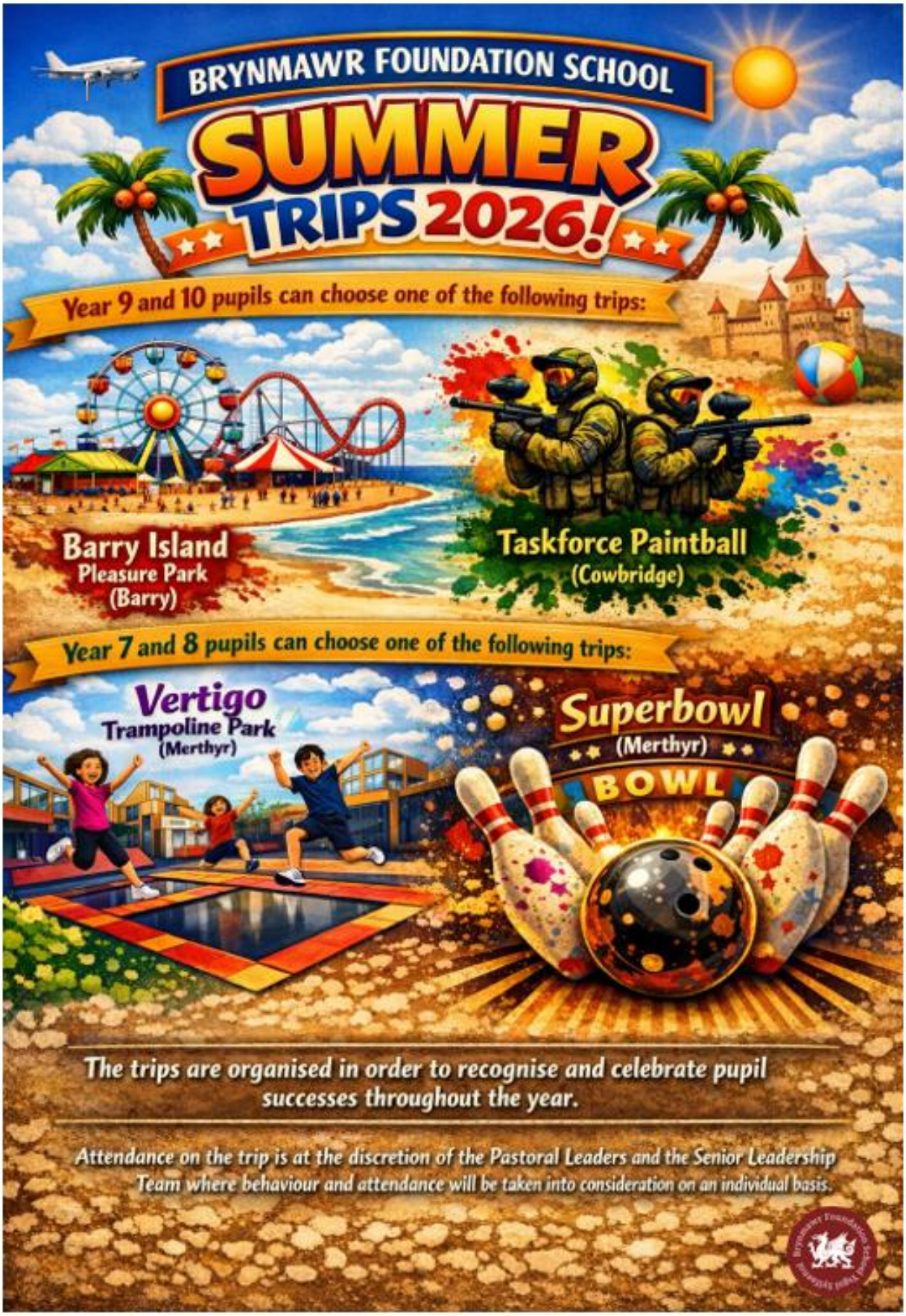


Yellow activities – Boys Gym **Blue activities – Girls Gym**

PE ACTIVITIES: 11th – 15th May

Monday 11th May	Tuesday 12th May	Wednesday 13th May	Thursday 14th May	Friday 15th May
Athletics: All Years *Pick Up: 4pm*	*Staff Meetings*	*Y11 Health & Social Revision* *Pick Up: 3.45pm* *Rounders: All Years* *Pick Up: 3.45pm*	*Netball: Staff v Y11!* *Pick up time: 4pm*	*Badminton: All Years* *Pick Up: 4pm*

Please note: Pick up times shown for all activities are from Brynmawr Foundation School


BRYNMAWR FOUNDATION SCHOOL
SUMMER TRIPS 2026!
Year 9 and 10 pupils can choose one of the following trips:
Barry Island
Pleasure Park
(Barry)
Taskforce Paintball
(Cowbridge)
Year 7 and 8 pupils can choose one of the following trips:
Vertigo
Trampoline Park
(Merthyr)
Superbowl
(Merthyr)
BOWL
The trips are organised in order to recognise and celebrate pupil successes throughout the year.
Attendance on the trip is at the discretion of the Pastoral Leaders and the Senior Leadership Team where behaviour and attendance will be taken into consideration on an individual basis.

Are you supporting a child with ND/ADHD and would like to join a peer support group?

ADHD+ Newport

Families Supporting Families

Peer Support For Adult Parent/Carers of ND children.

Run By Volunteers With Lived Experience.

No Diagnosis Needed
Based In Gwent
Regular Face-To-Face Meetings
Friendly, Supportive And Non-Judgemental
Focus On ADHD Plus Other Neurodivergent Conditions
Such As Autism.

NEW GROUP In Abergavenny
4th Tuesday of the month
during term time 10am-12.
GPCN Hub
The Old Police Station, Lewis Lane, Abergavenny
NP7 5BB

Find us on Facebook
ADHD + Newport

Mathematics Revision Timetable

Year 10 & 11

Year 11 Mathematics Revision

After School – From 23.2.26

- **Higher Tier:** 2:45 – 3:30 Wednesday, Room B5
- **Intermediate Tier:** 2:45 – 3:30
  - Monday, Room B6 *(Begins 26.1.26)*
  - Wednesday, Room B3
- **Foundation Tier:** 2:45 – 3:30
  - Thursday, Room B4

Year 10 Mathematics Revision

After School – From 23.2.26

- **Higher Tier:** 2:45 – 3:30 Wednesday, Room B5
- **Foundation Tier:** 2:45 – 3:30
  - Thursday, Room B4

Lunchtime Revision

- **Thursday, Room B3**

Drop-in session for any problem questions/topics during independent revision

Year 10: Unit 1 Poetry Revision

THURSDAYS IN C4
FROM 16 MARCH

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Nantyglo U14s Girls

SEASON 2026/27

School years 8 & 9

Seeking
EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

- Team tour
- Club bonding days
- Family friendly club
- WE WANT YOU!

Contact Dean: 07948 089238

TABOUR YOUTH CLUB BRYNMAWR

Year Groups 7 & 8
Every Monday 6pm - 8pm

- POOL/DODGEBALL — Love to challenge your friends in a friendly game
- ART AND CRAFT — Express yourself and unleash your skills
- QUIZ TIME
- GAMING OPPORTUNITIES
- HANG OUT WITH YOUR MATES
- COOKING
- GAMES, CHALLENGES
- Table Tennis

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