



Dates for the Diary...

- 8.9.26 Elder and Deri classes: Atlantic Guardians school workshop.
- 9.9.26 Y6 Cycle Proficiency- level 1.
- 14.9.26 Y4 swimming 11am (daily until 25.9.26).
- 14.9.26 Y6 Cycle Proficiency- level 1.
- 15.9.26 Y6 Cycle Proficiency- level 1.
- 16.9.26 Years 3-6 9:30am Techniquet assembly.
- 28.9.26 Flu vaccines YR-Y6 pupils.
- 14.10.26 Colofoto individual & siblings photos 9am.
- 15.10.26 Shwmae day-wear red.
- 16.10.26 Deri and Elder educational visit to The Royal Mint.
- 19.10.26 Fluoride Varnish application for Nursery-Y2 pupils.
- 23.10.26 INSET day- school closed.
- 26.10.26-30.10.26 Half term holidays.
- 18.12.26 INSET day- school closed.
- 21.12.26-1.1.27 Christmas holidays.
- 8.2.27-12.2.27 Half term holidays.
- 22.3.27-2.4.27 Easter holidays.
- 27.5.27 INSET day- school closed.
- 28.5.27 INSET day- school closed.
- 31.5.27-4.6.27 Half term holidays.
- 21.7.27-31.8.27 Summer holidays.

Cylchlythyr y Prifathrawes Headteacher's Newsletter

Croeso Nôl Welcome back...

On behalf of the staff and governors I welcome everyone back to a new academic school year and hope you had a wonderful Summer holidays with your family and friends. We welcome especially all our new children and their families and look forward to working in partnership with you all! For new families, please ensure you join your child's class Dojo page as this is where you will get the most up-to-date information and photos about your child and their class. Our school website is also a source of much information for example policies, prospectus, newsletters, holiday forms etc.. We also have a school instagram page which is a private group. Click on the QR code to join or search @corneliprimary. Please be patient as join requests will be verified for safety reasons before you can access the page. I am hoping to breathe new life into this platform this year as Mr. Brown takes over Technology across the school this year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome Mrs. Rees, a long-term supply LSO who will be working with Mrs. McKay in Dosbarth Chestnut.

A gentle reminder that from 2.9.26 (as mentioned in July's newsletter)...

downstairs classes except Mrs. McNally (so Mrs. L. O'Brien, Mrs. A. McKay, Mrs. R. Thomas, Mrs. V. Jones) doors open 9am for the start of school and open at the end of the day at 3pm for collection; **upstairs classes** (Mr. A. Brown, Mrs. E. Hanford, Miss. S. Jones and Mrs. D. Harris and Mrs. P. McNally) doors open at 8:45am for the start of school and open at the end of the day at 3:15pm for collection. We will continue to use the junior yard doors until further notice.



School Essentials Grant: help with school costs...

The School Essentials Grant opened on 1.7.26 and closes 31.5.27.

Who is eligible? Families with children in reception to year 11 on lower incomes and [get certain benefits](#) can apply for:

- £125 per learner and extra funding for your school
- £200 for learners entering year 7 and extra funding for your school

Parents and carers can claim once per child per school year.

Receiving Universal Primary Free School Meals does not automatically entitle your child to the School Essentials Grant:

- Learners must be eligible for means-tested Free School Meals (eFSM).
- Learners who receive free school meals due to transitional protection arrangements do not qualify.
- All children in local authority care qualify for the grant.

Receiving the School Essentials Grant will not affect your tax or other benefits. Schools get a little more money too!

What the grant is for? The School Essentials Grant can help cover the costs of: school uniform, including coats and shoes, school activities, including learning a musical instrument, sports kit and other equipment for after school activities etc..

Speak to our administrative staff to see if you qualify or scan the QR code to find out more!



Admin...

Contact us...

01656 754870 or text 07860 051348 or email admin@cornelips.bridgend.cymru or check out our school website

www.corneliprimary.com

We also have secure class Dojo pages too.

School attendance...

Overall: July's attendance was **89.5%**. The academic year 2025-2026 and 2024-2025 had whole school attendance as 90%, which is **way below** our **92%** school target, and low when comparing data across Wales! For our children to have the best chance, they need to be in school! Please help us to improve this, during this new academic year!

Office staff, on request, can also provide you with a holiday form, breakfast club form or a 'medication' form. The medication form only needs to be completed if your child is taking prescribed medication three-four times a day such as antibiotics, allergy or asthma pumps. If your child is, please hand this paperwork into a member of staff from your child's class with medication labelled (from a chemist). Please note, no medication can be given unless prescribed by a GP or a form completed by parents/ guardians. If your child is ill, please inform the school office by 9:30am. You can leave a message if the line is busy.

Governor Vacancies...

We have lost three Governors during the last academic year. We now have 3 vacancies...

1 x parent, 1 x community and 1 x Local Authority.

Scan the QR code to find out more.

Interested? Speak to Mrs. Pryse, Miss. Evans, our Chair of Governors Adam Knight or any Current parent governors.



What does it mean to be a Governor?

Information...

Our prospectus is full of useful information. A 2026-2027 updated version is now available from the main reception; it will soon be uploaded onto the website. If you require any additional information, feel free to ask your class teacher or ring and speak to our admin. team.

BBB... Big Bocs Bwyd is a huge

success at Corneli Primary school! We are supporting up to 30 families weekly who are helping to reduce food waste which helps the planet. It is open every Thursday 9:10am-10am. £3 for a bag of 10 items. There is a lot on offer...food and other produce, including treats. This service is for several school communities and school staff. If you'd like to help, please see Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Phillips or Miss. Evans.



Criw Cymraeg...

Croeso nôl!
Welcome back!
Ble est ti yn y gwyliau?
Where did you go in the holidays?



School Meals...

All of our pupils are entitled to a free school lunch. See the latest menu released by BCBC Catering Services.

PRIMARIA MENU

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

WEEK 3

MONDAY

Cod & Salmon Fish Fingers
Or Broccoli & Tomato Pasta
Herby Diced Potatoes
Baked Beans, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Salad
Raspberry Peach Swirl Sponge & Custard

MONDAY

Mini Omelette with Pork Sausage
Or Sweet & Sour Vegetables
Potato Wedges or Vegetable Rice
Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Salad
Eve's Sponge & Custard

MONDAY

Breaded Fish Goujons
Or Mushroom and Leek Bake
Jacket Potato or Sauté Potatoes
Garden Peas, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Salad
Toffee Apple Brownies with Fruit Slices

TUESDAY

Beef Bolognese
Or Falafel Burger
Pasta or Potato Wedges
Mixed Vegetables, Broccoli, Salad
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Cod & Salmon Fish Fingers
Or Vegetable Plant Ball in Tomato Sauce
Pasta or Diced Potatoes/Boiled Potatoes
Broccoli, Garden Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Meatballs in Tomato Sauce
Or Southern Style Vegetable Burger
Pasta or Potato Wedges
Mixed Vegetables, Garden Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Roast Turkey & Soufflé in rich Gravy
Or Vegetable & Lentil Shepherd's Pie
Boiled or Creamed Potatoes
Green Cabbage, Carrots & Diced Swede
Jelly with Strawberry Swirl

WEDNESDAY

Roast Pork & Apple Sauce in Rich Gravy
Or Vegetable Sausage
Creamed or Boiled Potatoes
Green Beans, Swede & Broccoli
Tropical Rice Pudding

WEDNESDAY

Roast Beef with Rich Gravy
Or Garden Vegetable Pie
Boiled or Creamed Potatoes
Baton Carrots, Cabbage, Swede
Arctic Roll and Fruit Wedges

THURSDAY

Meatballs in Rich Gravy
Or Vegetable Sausage
Creamed or Boiled Potatoes
Carrots, Garden Peas, Broccoli, Salad
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Chicken Fillet in Rich Gravy
Or Vegetable & Bean Casserole
Boiled or Creamed Potatoes
Carrots, Cabbage, Country Vegetables, Salad
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Pork Frikadellions
Or Quorn Fillet
Creamed Potatoes or Boiled Potatoes
Baked Beans, Carrots, Garden Peas
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Fish Fillet
Or Spinach and Chickpea Curry
Vegetable Rice or Chipped Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Salad
Mandarin topped Sponge Slice

FRIDAY

Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Or Quorn Dippers
Jacket Potato or Chipped Potatoes
Mini Corn Cobs, Mixed Vegetables, Salad
Fruit Muffins or Tutti Frutti Flapjacks

FRIDAY

Chicken Tikka/Korma
Or Vegetarian Hot Dogs
Vegetable Rice or Chipped Potatoes
Broccoli, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Salad
Strawberry Delight Crunch

September 2026

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

October 2026

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

November 2026

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

December 2026

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Also served daily:

Fresh Fruit, Wholemeal Bread, Yoghurt, Semi-Skimmed Milk, Water

Occasionally due to circumstances beyond our control it may be necessary to change or replace some menu items or ingredients.

Please note our menu/food may contain allergens. We are able to provide allergen information on request or please visit the [Findpad CBC website](#) for more information.

*NURSERY PUPILS