



12th July
2024

MAES EBBW SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians

It was lovely to see so many of you at various events this week - Sports days, parents evening and the family disco. Thank you for coming along and taking part in supporting the pupils. We hope you had a lovely time.

Class lists

There is a white envelope in your child's bag with a slip showing their class teacher for next year on it. Please look in your child's bag to find it.

The Amazing Mr May

The wonderful Mr May will be retiring at the end of next week after 17 years at Maes Ebbw. I know you will join us all in wishing Chris a long and very happy retirement. We will miss him enormously, he has been an amazing Deputy Headteacher at Maes Ebbw. He always puts the pupils first in everything he does and works extraordinarily hard. The school will not be the same without him! Many of you will have worked with Chris closely over the years, he has been a huge support to children and their families and we know you will miss him too. Chris sends his good wishes to you all. We will wave him a fond farewell on the last day of term as he sets off into the sunset on his motorbike!

Graeme Tully will take over as Acting Deputy Headteacher and Gemma Nelson will take over as Acting Assistant Headteacher for the Autumn Term.

This will probably be the last newsletter of the year. We wish you all a lovely summer and we look forward to seeing the pupils again on **Tuesday 3rd September**.

Please also see some useful Information attached for you.

Parent Group

Next week (17th) the parent group meeting will take place at The Beefeater restaurant (Coldra) at 9.30am for breakfast. As always, all parents are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

DATES

Thursday 18th July—last day in school for pupils

Friday 19th July—INSET DAY

Monday 2nd September—INSET DAY

Tuesday 3rd September—First day back for pupils



Dear schools,

Please can you share this information with your parents

Consultation Period: Monday 8th July 2024 to Monday 16th September 2024

Newport City Council's Accessibility Strategy for Schools 2024-2027 sets out how the council aims to improve the accessibility of schools to pupils with disabilities.

The draft Strategy outlines our commitment to improve:

- the extent to which disabled pupils can **participate in the school curriculum**
- the **physical environment** of the schools
- **access to information** for pupils, carers and families

communication and transparency by being open and honest about what can be expected or achieved.

Full information on the consultation can be found [here](#) including a children and young people's version of the draft strategy and the Fairness and Equality Impact Assessment.

Share your views on the draft accessibility strategy for schools [here](#) or alternatively, email school.reorg@newport.gov.uk

Contact

Email any queries to school.reorg@newport.gov.uk

Kind regards,

WELSH GOVERNMENT—FREE SCHOOL MEALS / UNIFORM GRANTS

Please see attached information, provided by the Welsh Government, regarding free school meals and uniform grants. We ask that anyone who may be entitled to claim for free meals/ uniform, please complete the application form. As a school we receive additional funding for every free school meal (even if your child does not actually eat orally).

If you need any help with this then please contact the school office.

'Ffynon factor' auditions





