

# GASC Newsletter

## Taflen Newyddion GASC

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### Welcome

The new school year is approaching the end of the first half term and our new starters are settling in well. GASC is looking forward to another successful year.



Goytre After School Club  
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### Christmas Bazaar

GASC's Christmas Bazaar will be held at the Community Centre on Monday the 25th of November at 6.15 pm. Father Christmas will be there and there will be plenty of other stalls such as tombola, Christmas items, toys, refreshments, lucky dip. There will also be a raffle with the main prize of a large food hamper plus other prizes and a free craft area for the children..



Our fund raising is for an outside football table. Come and join us for a fun evening!

### Coats

The weather is now turning inclement and when the children are crossing from the Community Centre to the school they can get very wet in that short time. So please ensure that the children have coats to wear. Also we still try and have a run about outside, even if there is light rain, so they will still need their coats.

### Staff Training

Joan attended a level 2 course in food safety in catering on the 18th of September. All the GASC staff are attending a paediatric first aid course over two Saturdays on the 12th and 19th of October held in Goytre Fawr Community Centre.

### AGM

GASC is holding a social evening which will include the AGM at the Community Centre on Tuesday 3rd of December at 6.15 pm. Light refreshments will be available so come and join us.

The committee meet about once every half term for about an hour.

Your children come to GASC so come and join our committee and have your say on how the club is run.

Everyone should attend as GASC is a charity run by parents for parents.

### Up to Date Information

If your child is coming to the After School Club have you told him/her?

If your child is going to friends instead of coming to After School Club have you told GASC?

Does GASC and the school have the most up to date information about you: phone numbers, addresses etc.

Have you moved? We might send the booking forms to the wrong address.

Have you got a new mobile number? If so have you told us what it is? If your child is ill we might need to get in touch with you urgently.

This knowledge will help to make things run smoother and help to minimise mishaps and misunderstandings.

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## New Member of Staff

We are pleased to announce that Caroline James has joined the staff. GASC feels that Caroline is going to be a great asset to the Club with her previous experience with children.

## Nail Varnish

GASC will be having a nail bar at the Christmas Bazaar on the 25th of November. If you have any unopened, unwanted nail varnish GASC would be pleased to take it off your hands.

## Life Skills

GASC continues with the theme of learning life skills such as kindness, good manners, taking turns, using scissors, sewing, cooking and catching a ball.

## Holiday Club

GASC is open from Monday 28th of October to Friday 1st of November, from 8.00 am to 6 pm. Your child will need a packed lunch.

## Wool

Have you any wool you don't need? GASC would welcome having it to make pom-poms

## Secretary's Column

The summer ended with a well-attended holiday club. I would like to thank everyone who worked during the summer period. Feedback from parents and children has been so positive about the range of activities that took place. A massive thank you to all who organised and helped.

The term has started off well with new faces joining us each week. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families and hope that you will join us at our upcoming events.

We now start our build up to Christmas. Last year we held a massively successful Christmas fayre and hope this year's will be as successful. Please join us at the planning meeting on the 7th of November at 6 pm if you have anything to contribute or would like to help in any way.

## No Trip

GASC are not having a trip before Christmas because the staff are on a first aid course which takes place over two Saturdays this month and it would be unfair on them to give up another Saturday.

## Enquiries

All enquiries to: Joan Howells, Senior Play Leader, GASC, School Lane, Penperlleni, Nr Pontypool, Monmouthshire, NP4 0AH. Telephone (01873) 880342 Mobile 07855 706173

## Opening Times

### Before School Club

7.30 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. Cost £3.30

### After School Club

3.30 to 6:00 p.m. Cost £6.60.

### All Day Club

7:30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.  
 half a day (5 hours) £13.20  
 school day £16.50  
 full day £19.80 .

### Holiday Club

8:00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.  
 half a day (5 hours) £13.20  
 school day £16.50  
 full day £19.80 .

## Staff

### Senior Play Leader

Joan Howells

### Deputy Play Leader

Sarah Sims

### Play Leader

Diane Griffiths

### Trainee Play Leaders

Caroline James

### Catering Assistant and Play leader

Linda Robinson

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## Dates for Your Diary

### October Half Term,

Holiday Club

Monday 28th of October to  
 Friday 1st of November  
 (5 days)

### Christmas Holidays

**GASC IS CLOSED**

### INSET Days,

All Day Club

Monday 6th of January  
 Friday 3rd of April

### February Half Term,

Holiday Club

Monday 17th of February to  
 Friday 21st of February  
 (5 days)

### Easter

Holiday Club

Monday 6th of April to  
 Thursday 9th of April  
 (4 days)

### May day **GASC IS CLOSED**

N.B. May Day in 2020 has been moved from Monday the 4th of May to Friday the 8th of May to coincide with the VE Day celebrations.

### Summer Break,

Holiday Club:

Monday 20th of July to  
 Friday 14th of August  
 (4 weeks)

There are separate Holiday Club and All Day Club booking forms .

## Committee

Chair	Lisa Knowles
Vice-chair	Mike Page
Secretary	Kate Morris
Treasurer	Kate Sheppard
Members	Joanne Child Rhianne Pollard
Registered Person	Roger Howells
Internal Auditor	Mr Morris
Non-voting Members	Joan Howells Sarah Sims