

# GASC Newsletter

## Taflen Newyddion GASC

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### A NEW YEAR

We are already coming to the end of the first month of the new year. With the very wet and stormy weather behind us. Looking forward to better weather enabling GASC to play outside more.

The afternoon tea with Father Christmas on December 11th raised £140.00. The money raised will go towards purchasing a portable obstacle course which the children can make into whatever combination they would like.

Would like to thank the staff and Sarah for making the afternoon such a success.

### Grant

GASC has managed to secure a grant towards the purchase of a wooden outside shelter and loose parts shed. There is a 12 weeks lead time, so at Easter, when hopefully, it should be delivered, and with luck the weather should be much warmer for us to erect them.

These items have been chosen to enhance the outside play area and up date old plastic sheds which have seen better days.

Loose parts play is going to be the centre of our outside play this coming year.

If you want to know more about loose parts play? Ask Joan

### February Half Term Holidays

GASC is open for 5 days from Monday 20th until Friday 24th February. GASC will be open 8:00am till 5:00pm everyday.

Your child will need a packed lunch and snacks.

Breakfast will be available until 9:00am.

£21.60 full day. 8.00 till 5.00

£18.00 School day 8.50 till 3.30.

£14.40 half day (any 5 hour period)

16 places are available.

The booking forms are now available on line for you to book a place. .

### Strike Days

GASC has decided to open on the strike days. The All Day Club will run from 8am to 6pm on:

Wednesday February 1st

Tuesday February 14th.

Wednesday March 15th

Thursday March 16th

If the school has further strike days GASC is going to be open on these days.

### All Staff

All members of staff at GASC completed a level 3 in Paediatric First Aid in November. It was in 2 parts with the first part online for 6 hours followed by a day in the classroom

### Joanne

Joanne completed her level 2 in Playwork in December 2022., and has already started her level 3 in Playwork.

Joanne also has obtained her level 3 in Supervising Food Safety in Catering with a distinction.

### Inset days

The next 2 inset days are:

GASC is open on

Friday 17th February.,

Monday 27th February



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## Committee

GASC is managed by a committee of parents. Any parent interested in coming onto our committee, please talk to Joan.

We are here for the parents and would welcome new faces.

The GASC committee meets about once every half term sometimes face to face, sometimes online.

## Life Skills

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

## Absent

Please if your child is ill or not coming to GASC or school, can you let both school and GASC know.

GASC staff spent to much time running around trying to find out where a child is.

Information would help both GASC and the school.

## Staff Vacancy

GASC is looking for a new member of staff to help in the Before and After school club.

The position is for a person to help with the catering of snack time and breakfast., also help support the play workers if needed.

It is a part time permanent post working Monday to Friday in term time and in the school holidays for about 10 hours per week.

Be willing to undergo training, and an Enhanced DBS check will be required.

## Front Gate

Being collected and dropped off at the front gate will for the foreseeable future.

There is a bell attached to the front to press to get attention.

## Booking

If you verbally book your child/ children into GASC with either Joan or another member of staff, could you please also follow that up with a text or email to GASC.

## Fund Raising

GASC would welcome any simple easy ideas for fund raising. As a charity fund raising is on going.

## Dates for Your Diary

### Strike days

Wednesday 1st February

Tuesday 14th February

Wednesday 15th March

Thursday 16th March

### Inset days

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### February Half Term

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of February 2023

### Easter holidays

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023. 4 days

### Summer Holiday Club:

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of July to  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2023  
5 days a week for 4 weeks

**Bazaar:** Monday November 20<sup>th</sup>

**Tea with Father Christmas:**  
Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>

## 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 9:00a.m. Cost £3.60

### After School Club

3:30to 6:00 p.m. Cost £7.20

### All Day Club

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
half a day (5 hours) £14.40  
school day £18.00  
full day £21.60 .

### Holiday Club

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
half a day (5 hours) £14.40  
school day £18.00  
full day £21.60.

## Staff

### Senior Play Leader

Joan Howells

### Play Leader

Diane Griffiths

### Play Leader

Joanne Jones

### Catering Assistant and Play leader

Linda Robinson

## Committee

Chair	Mike Page
Vice-chair	Rhianne Pollard
Secretary	Kate Morris
Treasurer	Kate Sheppard
Members	Joanne Child Michelle North-Jones
Registered Person	Roger Howells

Non-voting Members Joan Howells

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