
Y BONT FAEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

2024-25

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Message from the Chair of Governors

This report covers the 2024-25 academic year and has been completed in accordance with the Welsh Office Circular 15/01, the School Governors' Annual Report Regulations 2011 and Concise Guidance Regulations about reporting school and pupil information 2011. Revised – September 2017

The Governing Body is committed to supporting the school in continuing to provide the best possible education for all its pupils. This is encapsulated in the motto “inspire to learn – inspire for life”.

The Y Bont Faen School Governing Body has an important role in ensuring the school runs effectively. As governors, we have three essential roles :

- planning the strategic direction of the school in the longer term;
- overseeing and monitoring financial performance of the school and ensuring money is effectively spent;
- holding the Head Teacher and school leadership to account (often referred to as being ‘a critical friend’).

The Governing Body and the Head Teacher share responsibility for the management of the school, acting within the framework set by national legislation and by policies of the Local Authority. The governors' role is strategic rather than operational, and governors do not get involved in the day-to-day running of the school. That internal management of the school is the responsibility of the Head Teacher, assisted by her Senior Leadership Team.

The full Governing Body meets at least twice a term. In addition, sub-committees meet regularly to discuss specific issues including finance, curriculum, and resources. They report to the full Governing Body for formal ratification of proposals.

On behalf of the governing body, It gives me great pleasure to present this governors' annual report on the work of the school for the 2024 – 2025 academic year.

I have been the Chair of Governors at Y Bont Faen Primary School since 2023, and have been gratified in that time to observe at first hand the strong leadership, the dedication of the staff, the commitment of the governors and the support in general from parents and the community that has made the school the hugely successful, popular and happy school it is. It is my hope and that of the Governing Body, that Y Bont Faen will continue to be a valued, active and visible part of the Cowbridge community for the foreseeable future.

In our latest Estyn Report, published in August 2023, it was stated that :

“Staff at Y Bont Faen Primary School create a welcoming and inclusive community where pupils relish learning. Overall, the school is effective in achieving its aims.”

“Pupils are respectful, enthusiastic, and happy. They benefit greatly from the school’s effective approach to developing thinking skills, allowing them to make decisions, organise their learning and contribute effectively to the curriculum.”

Pupils “... feel safe and listened to and know how to seek advice when needed.”

“Leaders, governors, and staff establish a strong safeguarding culture at Y Bont Faen Primary school.”

“The governing body is knowledgeable, holds leaders to account appropriately and supports the school effectively. Governors have a good understanding of the school’s priorities for improvement and contribute to evaluating the school’s work through a range of monitoring activities.”

It was also noted that “...funding raised by the school’s active parent teacher association and the time of volunteers” was used well to” to enrich the curriculum for all pupils.”

As a result of the excellence of the 2023 Estyn report, the school was selected for a further visit from Estyn inspectors in February 2025, to assess how effectively the school was developing and embedding approaches to teaching the Curriculum for Wales. Again the feedback from the inspection was first class, stressing that the school’s approach was exemplary, with a very strong quality of teaching with clear and calm classroom regimes, and pupils who were independent, keen and working well together. As a result, and following publication of the report, Estyn invited our Head Teacher, Mrs Julia Adams, to take part in a nationally-broadcast webinar to share how staff at the school have implemented their teaching strategies.

The school’s interim visit from Estyn also took place just before the end of summer term in July 2025, which continued Estyn’s positive findings in respect of the school, staff and children.

I would like to record my personal thanks to Mrs Adams and her excellent team for their professionalism and commitment. I also congratulate the parents and volunteers who do so much for the benefit of the pupils.

I would also like to pay tribute to one of our most valued colleagues on the Governing Body, the Reverend Heather Weddell, who passed away in May 2025. Heather was a long-serving, devoted and committed governor, and loved by all who worked with her. She is, and will be, sadly missed by us all.

Sincerely,

Steve Miller
Chair of Governors
Y Bont Faen Primary School

MEMBERSHIP OF THE Y BONT FAEN GOVERNING BODY 2024-2025	
Mrs Julia Adams- Headteacher	Mrs Rowena Harbour - Community Governor
Ms Frances Blomeley - Staff Governor	Mrs. Harriet Maidment - Staff (teaching) Governor
Mr David Breen – LEA Governor	Mrs Rebecca Millard - Staff (teaching) Governor
Cllr Peter Carter - MAR Governor	Mrs Eileen Miller – Community Governor
Cllr Charles Champion - LEA Governor	Mr Steve Miller - Community Governor
Dr Deidre Davies – Parent Governor	Mrs Samantha Roberts – Parent Governor
Mr Michael Evans – LEA Governor	Mr Steve Roberts – Parent Governor
Mrs Katie Goddard - Parent Governor	Mrs Catherine Thomas - LEA Governor
Mrs Claire Hall – Parent Governor	Mrs Heather Weddell - Community Governor
CHAIR OF GOVERNORS	
Mr Steve Miller	
VICE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS	
Mrs Catherine Thomas	
CLERK TO GOVERNORS	
Mrs Joanne Western	

Committees		Responsibilities
R	Resources (Including sub-committees for Finance, Premises and Resources, and Health and Safety)	Finance, Premises, Health & Safety and Information Technology
C	Curriculum & Learning Support	Policies and Data
HT	HT Performance Management	HT Performance Management Reviews
HTA	Teachers PM Appeals Panel	Teachers PM Appeals Panel
CSG	Complaints & Staff Grievances	Complaints & Staff Grievances
P	Personnel	Appointment of HT and DHT
SD	Staff Disciplinary and Dismissal	Staff Disciplinary and Dismissal
DA	Disciplinary and Dismissal Appeals	Disciplinary and Dismissal Appeals
PD	Pupil Disciplinary and Exclusions	Pupil Disciplinary and Exclusions

Full governing body meetings are held twice each term along with sub-committee meetings as required for curriculum and resources which report to the main body.

For the academic year 2024-25 full governing body meetings were scheduled as follows :

- 3rd October 2024
- 28th November 2024
- 30th January 2025
- 27th March 2025
- 22nd May 2025
- 26th June 2025

For the academic year 2025-6 full governing body meetings are scheduled as follows :

- 25th September 2025
- 4th December 2025
- 29th January 2026
- 12th March 2026
- 14th May 2026
- 2nd July 2026

Governing Body Expenses and statements:

No individual expenses were claimed by any governor.

No meetings with parents under section 94 of the School Standards Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 were held during the academic year 2024-25.

Governors of Y Bont Faen Primary School Sector and term of office as at Dec 2024

Title	Initial	Surname	Sector	Start	End
Mrs	Julia	Adams	Headteacher	01/01/13	
Ms	Frances	Blomeley	Staff	06/10/21	06/10/25
Mr	David	Breen	LEA	16/03/23	16/03/27
Cllr	Peter	Carter	MAR	22/09/22	22/09/26
Cllr	Charles	Champion	LEA	06/10/22	06/10/26
Dr	Deidre	Davies	Parent	07/05/24	07/05/28
Mr	Michael	Evans	LEA	09/10/24	09/10/28
Mrs	Katie	Goddard	Parent	04/10/22	04/10/26
Mrs	Claire	Hall	Parent	07/05/24	07/05/28
Mrs	Rowena	Harbour	Community	03/09/22	03/09/26
Mrs	Harriet	Maidment	Staff	04/05/24	04/05/28
Mrs	Rebecca	Millard	Staff	24/01/24	24/01/28
Mrs	Eileen	Miller	Community	01/09/23	01/09/27
Mr	Steve	Miller	Community	01/07/21	01/07/25
Mrs	Samantha	Roberts	Parent	04/12/24	04/12/28
Mr	Steve	Roberts	Parent	07/05/24	07/05/28
Mrs	Catherine	Thomas	LEA	27/09/21	27/09/25
Reverend	Heather	Weddell	Community	03/10/23	03/10/27

STAFFING 2024-25

Head Teacher	Mrs J Adams
Senior Leadership Team	Mrs R Millard Mrs H Maidment
Full time Year 6	Miss J Jones
Full time Year 5	Miss K Wilson-Fitchie Mrs R Millard
Full time Year 4	Miss S Davies
Full time Year 3	Mrs R Mitten
Full time Year 2	Mrs M Hayman
Full time Year 1	Mrs C Rees
Full time Reception	Mrs H Maidment
Full time Nursery	Mrs S Cotterell
PPA Cover	Mrs K Hosey
ALNCo	Mrs H Carr
Learning Support Assistants	Mrs F Bowen Mrs P Davies Mrs K Heald Mrs B Hollings Mrs S Little Mrs M Thomas
School Manager	Ms F Blomeley
Administrative Assistant	Mr R Miller
Site Manager	Mr M Thomas
Cleaners	A & R Contract Cleaning Specialist Ltd.
Lunchtime Supervisors	Mrs M Thomas Mrs B Hollings Mrs S Little Mrs D Wakefield Mrs P Davies
Breakfast Club	Mrs P Bishop Mrs B Hollings Mrs N Herman Mrs L Thomas

Staff Curriculum Responsibilities 2024/25

Mrs H Maidment	Assessment Co-ordinator; Curriculum Lead; Attendance Co-ordinator
Mrs R Millard	Key Stage 2 Leader; Literacy, Language & Communication Lead
Mrs S Davies	Mathematics & Numeracy Lead
Mrs K Hosey	Science & Technology Lead
Miss J Jones	Expressive Arts Lead
Mrs R Mitten	Humanities Lead
Mrs C Rees	Welsh Lead
Miss K Wilson-Fitchie	IT Lead

Pupil numbers

The school has capacity for 30 pupils in each class from Reception to Year 6, and in each of the two years of Nursery. For the academic year 2024-25, class sizes were as follows:

Nursery	57 (29 in first year, 28 in second)
Reception	30
Year 1	28
Year 2	34
Year 3	31
Year 4	31
Year 5	45 (two classes, one of 22 and one of 23)
Year 6	30
Total	286

Wellbeing

Attendance

Overall attendance numbers:

Category	Sessions	Percentage	Change 22/23
Present	84127	92.2%	-0.2%
Authorised Educational Activity (AEA)	2375	2.6%	+0.9%
Authorised Absence	4646	5.1%	-0.7%
Unauthorised Absence	106	0.1%	0.0%
Possible	91254	100.0%	

Attendance rates by year group (Present + AEA):

Year group	Rate	Change 22/23
Nursery (pm)	92.5%	N/A
Nursery (am)	91.3%	+1.1%
Reception	95.1%	+6.7%
Year 1	94.6%	+2.0%
Year 2	95.4%	+0.3%
Year 3	94.5%	+0.4%
Year 4	94.9%	+0.7%
Year 5	96.1%	+1.0%
Year 6	94.7%	-0.1%

Causes of absence (percentage figures are as a percentage of all absences, rather than all sessions):

Cause	Authorised	Unauthorised	Total
Illness / Medical	2530 (53.2%)	0 (0.0%)	2530 (53.2%)
Holiday	1902 (40.0%)	94 (2.0%)	1996 (42.0%)
Exclusion	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Other	214 (4.5%)	12 (0.3%)	226 (4.8%)
Total	4646 (97.8%)	106 (2.2%)	4752 (100.0%)

The methodology used by the Vale of Glamorgan produces slightly different numbers, but their analysis has us ranked first among schools in the Vale for attendance, and indicates that attendance has improved slightly relative to before the pandemic closures.

Healthy eating

The development of healthy lifestyles is a high priority for our school. Y Bont Faen promotes healthy eating. A fruit snack is provided for Foundation Phase nursery children. Pupils have access to drinking water throughout the day. Healthy School Council promotes healthy eating.

Safeguarding

The safeguarding and wellbeing of pupils is of paramount importance to us. The school has a comprehensive Safeguarding Policy and all staff receive training in Child Protection and Critical Incidents Management.

The children take part in a range of activities to ensure that they feel safe, and staff and governors receive annual Child Protection training. We have a comprehensive PSHE curriculum addressed through class sessions, assemblies and circle times. In surveys children report that they feel happy and safe at y Bont Faen Primary. The school has robust safeguarding and child protection procedures including safe recruitment. The Designated Safeguarding Person (DSP) is Mrs Julia Adams and the deputy DSP is Mrs Harriet Maidment; other Safeguarding Officers are Mrs Mel Hayman, Miss Jackie Jones, Mrs Rebecca Millard and Mrs Eileen Miller. The Designated Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Carolyn Lyons.

The school provides wrap around care with the Breakfast Club and After-School Club. The Breakfast Club is free due to funding from the Welsh Government; however After-School Club is independent and sessions are charged for.

Toilets

All toilets are of an appropriate size and standard. The school provides sufficient toilets for the number of pupils on roll, and a disabled toilet is available in Key Stage 2. These toilets are cleaned on a daily basis.

Term Dates for 2025-26

Term	Term Starts	Half Term		Term Ends
		Starts	Ends	
Autumn 2025	Monday 1 September 2025	Monday 27 October 2025	Friday 31 October 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Spring 2026	Monday 5 January 2026	Monday 16 February 2026	Friday 20 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
Summer 2026	Monday 13 April 2026	Monday 25 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026	Monday 20 July 2026

Monday 1st September 2025, Tuesday 2nd September 2025, Monday 20th October 2025 and Monday 20th July 2026 will be designated Inset Days for the academic year 2025-2026.

Targets

Governors have worked with the Headteacher to set targets for the forthcoming three years. The process of agreeing targets is based on the following principles:

- Targets should be challenging, realistic and manageable.
- They should be school specific, reflecting an informed evaluation of each year group of children.
- In order to be meaningful, some targets should be considered over a time span of more than one year;
- Class teachers have a crucial role to play in the setting of targets and are fully involved in the process.

In line with these principles, teachers use the wide range of information they have about each child in their class to set an individual target level in national curriculum tasks and tests. This is a whole-school initiative and teachers work hard to ensure that each individual target is challenging, but realistic. These individual targets are collated to form aggregate targets for each year group. The targets were set in the Autumn Term 2025, and subsequently agreed by the Consortium. These targets are reviewed and agreed annually.

Welsh

English is the main language of the school; however, Welsh is taught throughout the school and the language is used naturally and included on signs and documents. The school takes a full and active part in Welsh cultural events and has good working relations with our neighbouring Welsh medium school.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES for 2025-26

Each academic year, the Head Teacher and her staff produce a School Improvement Plan. This important document represents the vision for improvement in the form of targets and actions and ensures a commitment to raise achievement in all areas of school life.

Priority 1

To enhance pupils' digital skills through the effective teaching of multimedia experiences across the school.

Priority 2

To refine the Inspire curriculum to enrich pupils' learning experiences and metacognition.

Priority 3

To combine formative and summative assessment practices effectively to support pupils' progress purposefully in reading and writing.

Priority 4

To combine formative and summative assessment practices effectively to support pupils' progress purposefully in mathematics and numeracy.

Additional Learning Needs

The school employs an Additional Learning Needs Co-ordinator, Mrs. Miller, and an ALN LSA, Mrs. Landeg. Responsibilities include co-ordinating provision for Additional Learning Needs (ALN).

The named Governor for Additional Learning Needs is Carolyn Lyons. She has met with the ALNCo regularly throughout the year. A report to Governors regarding details of Additional Learning Needs provision is delivered to Governors at least once every term.

A copy of the school's ALN policy can be seen on request to the Head Teacher and is accessible through the school website. The objectives of the policy are to provide equal access to the curriculum for all children.

There are currently 17 children (out of 272, 6.3%) on the Additional Learning Needs register. Of these, 13 children are identified as School Action and 2 as School Action+; under the incoming new ALN scheme, 1 is statemented and 1 has an Individual Development Plan from the school. 4 children (1.5%) received Free School Meals (FSM), with an additional 3 under transitional protection.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE DATA

The following data shows the results at the end of Foundation Phase (Year 2) and end of Key Stage 2 (Year 6) for the academic year 2024-25. Note that Foundation Phase Outcomes and National Curriculum Levels are no longer used for assessment.

2025 End of Phase Outcomes

Subject	Foundation Phase		Key Stage 2	
	At/above expected	Above expected	At/above expected	Above expected
Literacy	86.8%	28.6%	84.4%	36.3%
Trans-languaging	n/a	n/a	87.4%	27.4%
Listening	91.2%	29.7%	87.4%	40.0%
Reading	87.9%	47.3%	91.9%	51.9%
Speaking	91.2%	29.7%	92.6%	49.6%
Writing	76.9%	19.8%	83.0%	30.4%
Numeracy	87.9%	23.1%	85.4%	40.2%
Proficiency	86.8%	26.4%	78.1%	33.6%
Number	82.4%	40.7%	86.1%	45.3%
Geometry	90.1%	18.7%	94.2%	40.2%
Statistics	89.0%	9.9%	89.8%	42.3%
Digital Competency Framework	98.9%	0.0%	92.0%	30.7%
Citizenship	98.9%	0.0%	95.6%	45.3%
Collaboration	98.9%	0.0%	92.7%	36.5%
Producing	98.9%	3.3%	91.2%	40.2%
Data & Computational Thinking	98.9%	0.0%	92.0%	20.4%

SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

A school prospectus in line with Welsh Government guidelines has been published and is updated annually. This can be found on the school website at www.ybontfaen.school/prospectus/.

SPORTS AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

From September 2024, the following clubs were offered:

- Environmental
- Art
- Choir
- Dance
- Drama
- Netball

Calendar events throughout the year

September 2024

- Designated inset day
- SELFIE data analysis
- Performance data analysis
- Meet the Teacher
- Urdd taster session
- Early Years Forum visit to Nursery
- AoLE action plans completed
- Ysgol y Deri outreach support
- PCP meeting
- Year 2 road safety
- School Council meetings
- Vale Heads meeting
- EduKey training
- Twilight session – moderation meeting at St Davids
- Football match – Llangan
- Oracle Fusion training
- Bob Wilson (Rotary)
- Open evening
- Educational Psychologist consultations
- European Day of Languages event
- Inset day – Thinking matters

October 2024

- Anti-racism programme
 - Harvest Festival
 - Governing body meeting
 - MacMillan Coffee Morning
 - Cluster assessment research meeting
 - Team Teach training
 - FFT Reception meeting
 - School Council meetings
 - Urdd Jambori
 - FPN training
 - Safeguarding SER review
 - Football match – Llanfair
 - Sharing afternoon
 - Years 2, 3 & 4 trip to Cardiff Castle
 - Parent consultations
 - Finance meeting
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October 2024 cont.

- Year 6 Formula 1 car workshops
- Spooky disco
- NPEP training
- Swimming lessons

November 2024

- Inset day – writing
- FFT spelling and phonics workshop
- Forest fire story and songs
- Rhian Wilkinson talk to whole school
- Bullies Out workshops
- Positive noticing day
- Makaton training
- Children in Need day
- RotaKids presentation to Rotary
- BA students start training
- DSP forum
- Reindeer parade
- MAT maths challenge
- SIP visit
- Governing body meeting
- NPEP training
- Year 1 cooking in cob oven

December 2024

- FFT rapid reading assessments
- SWST reading assessments
- Cardiff Metropolitan University training
- Football competition – House of Sport
- Decorations for the town hall tree
- Choir singing in church
- Salford reading assessments
- Reception hearing screening
- Senedd visit
- Cycling meeting
- Christmas concert
- Christmas Fayre
- Choir singing at Ramoth
- PS2 Christmas performance
- Nursery play and stay session
- PS3 Christmas performance
- Christmas dinner and jumper day
- Father Christmas visit from Rotary

January 2025

- BA third year students
 - Year 5 trip to Sony
 - WCLD Cardiff Metropolitan online
 - Mentor training
 - Vale recycling meeting
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January 2025 cont.

- Audiology screening
- School Council meetings
- CIW inspection feedback
- Talk Pants week
- Cycling proficiency
- Visit from Director of Education
- Governing body meeting

February 2025

- Football match – Llansannor
- Formula 1 design
- Lockdown procedures
- Visit to Houses of Parliament
- Wellbeing and attendance forum
- ELSA conference
- Finance meeting
- School Improvement Partner visit
- Inquiry course
- Cymraeg Campus Silver Award ceremony
- Hearing screening
- Thematic review
- Arbor induction training
- Health and Safety visit
- Reception theatre visit
- Coffee morning sharing Welsh learning
- Year 3 and 4 swimming, Pencoed
- RotaKids to visit Memory Jar Café
- Anti-racism programme meetings
- ALN day
- Creative Communities meeting
- School Council meetings
- Red Nose Day
- Inset day
- Llangrannog residential
- Visits to Holy Cross Church
- Year 5 library visit
- Eco Club swap shop evening
- Year 4 trip to Techniquet
- Eco Club litter pick

March 2025

- Book look
- Year 5 Restore the Thaw project
- Year 3 Glynn Vivian Gallery visit
- Year 6 Formula 1 competition
- School Eisteddfod

April 2025

- Nursery stay and play session
 - Year 3 musical celebration event
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April 2025 cont.

- Trip to Swansea Waterfront Museum
- Trip to Cardiff Museum
- e-Eisteddfod
- SIP learning walk – writing journey
- Ocean Schools visit
- School Council meetings
- Year 5 and 6 transition talk with Cowbridge Comprehensive School
- Crucial Crew visit
- Govilon residential

May 2025

- Corporate compliance meeting
- Performance management meetings
- Autiside assessment
- VE day celebrations
- Screens for Schools sessions
- MP visit – Kanishka Narayan to see Year 5
- Just Jump theatre
- Year 6 maths MAT
- Global Buffet – whole school healthy eating
- Rotary football event
- ALN transition meetings at Cowbridge Comprehensive School
- Rights assembly
- Finance meeting
- Seren & Sbarc art exhibition

June 2025

- Cluster Olympics – six schools at Y Bont Faen
 - Literacy cluster working
 - Cowbridge Comprehensive School transition morning
 - Early years development profile training
 - PS3 Cluster Olympics at NIAC
 - Nursery police car and motorcycle visit
 - Healthy Schools / Eco Primary meeting
 - SEMH and sensory regulation training
 - Nursery Barnardos Toddle
 - Open event – pizza evening
 - Wellbeing and attendance forum training
 - Refugee Day
 - Personalised assessments
 - Safeguarding training event
 - Tramshed dance performance
 - Sports Day
 - Listening to Learners monitoring
 - Nursery sharing day
 - Sharing afternoon
 - Girls' football competition
 - Anti-racism presentation
 - Governing body meeting
 - Vale of Glamorgan EEF meeting
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July 2025

- Urdd football competition
- Wellbeing pizza event
- Estyn interim inspection
- Nursery stay and play session
- School Nurse health checks
- Beach Academy
- Gold award moderation and assessment
- Enterprise and PTA Duck Race

DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING

From YBF PTA Annual Report & Accounts for Year Ending 31/07/2025:

2024/25 Academic Year Activity

Since the start of the academic year in September 2024 the PTA have worked with staff not only to raise funds for school but to also deliver social events for the benefit of the pupils. We had a successful year of fundraising activities with £3,391.98 raised by parents, friends and family who supported our non-uniform days, Spooky Disco, Christmas Fair, Christmas Cards, Christmas hamper raffle, Cake Sales, Second Hand Uniform Sales, Easter Egg Hunt and finally Sports Day.

SPOOKY DISCO

Autumn term fundraising kicked off with our annual Spooky Disco. The children enjoyed a spooktacular disco with a tuck shop, face paintings and lucky dips which raised a fabulous £1,401.05.

CHRISTMAS

Come Christmas, we once again enjoyed being together for the Christmas fair and concerts. The PTA sold mulled wine, tea and coffee and cakes and raffled hampers which, combined with the sale of the children's beautiful Christmas cards raised £1,599.02. Thank you everyone who donated produce for and bought tickets for our hamper raffle.

PIZZA DAY

The PTA supported the school stay and play event in the Spring. Another well attended event (Luckily with nice weather) It was a great community event and we were so proud to support it.

100 CLUB

The 100 club has been running for several years and continues to contribute towards the ParentKind subscription and the lottery licence. This year the 100 club made a loss of £136.50.

HALF TERM CLEAN UP

Huge thanks to all of the volunteers that help decorate & tidy the school when closed to pupils. So much has been done this year to make the school grounds even better. These volunteers give up their spare time to make sure our school is a safe, enjoyable space for our children.

EASTER EGG HUNT

After the success of this event which we started in 2024, we had to bring it back for 2025. Again, lucky with the weather and so many families came out to hunt for clues around the grounds & enjoy Easter themed milkshakes with milk kindly donated from Llanfrynach Farm, raising £365.34.

PRIDE EVENTS

June 2025 we took part in the Cowbridge Pride Parade again.

Pride is all about celebrating who you are, and boy did we have fun. The children went to town, literally, and decorated the float in rainbows and colourful pride flags. We had sticks, facepaints, a bubble machine and music on the float. It was our very own mobile pride disco! The children thoroughly enjoyed.

SPORTS DAY

Spring led into summer where we enjoyed a fantastic Sports Day. The teachers, children and PTA had such fun, we hope you did too. It was wonderful to welcome you all on site to enjoy the sporting event of the year, and noted, more Pimms required next year! Sports Day raised £470.66.

LEAVERS PARTY

The PTA supported the leavers party and leavers books this year. It was fantastic to see the children enjoy a Greatest Showman themed event at Cowbridge RFC complete with stilt walkers and fire breathers! We hope they all had the best send off.

We, the PTA, thoroughly enjoyed helping the school and supporting our children. Thank you to every single one of you who have donated time, effort, and money to our cause.

In addition to these events, we have received support via parental and community donations, amounting to £323.29.

We were delighted that more local companies were able to sponsor us this year and look forward to even more coming on board next year.

We want to say a special thank you to our amazing DIY volunteers who help with the bike track, outside classroom and site maintenance. They have worked tirelessly this year on so many projects both inside and outside of school.

Importantly we would like to thank all the parents, family and friends who have helped deliver events or donated or shopped! Without your support we couldn't achieve our objectives of raising funds for the benefit of all our children. We also thank the parents who have throughout the year stepped up to the challenge and helped with fundraising, including those who have shared their skills and time to help the PTA deliver events.

We are always looking for input and ideas from members new and old. If you do have any suggestions, these can be made at PTA meetings, by email, or by finding us in the playground. We have a PTA WhatsApp group that anyone willing to help can join. We invite people to do as little or as much as they like.

Spending

From our 2024-2025 fundraising we were able to support our school by providing new event shelters, which will be particularly useful for those hot sports days!

New equipment was purchased to support the gardening club, we provided decorations and equipment for the children to enjoy participating in the Reindeer Parade and Pride floats.

Once again the PTA funded the school newspaper for all the children to enjoy and we also funded our year 6 leavers books.

The PTA also provided prizes for the duck race which was able to take place this year!

In total the donations to school were £2,080.19.

Goals for 2025/26

Following consultation with teaching staff, the primary goals for this academic year will primarily focus on further supporting on ad hoc projects and planning events.

It is anticipated that further fundraising objectives will be identified by staff and the committee throughout the year.

The PTA will engage with more local companies to obtain more sponsorship to enable us to work towards larger projects and events.

Final notes

The current PTA will be stepping down at the end of this school year, so we are looking for a new team with some fresh eyes to take on the key roles. We would like to welcome and encourage all parents, grandparents or carers to get involved in the PTA. We welcome your support not only in fundraising but in the decision making and working in partnership with the Teaching staff and the Governing Body to improve the facilities and provisions for all existing and future students of Y Bont Faen Primary School.

We have had the best 4 years fundraising for the school and planning so many fun events for the children, it has been an absolute pleasure being part of the PTA for so long.

Once again, a final thank you to all the PTA helpers, who generously bake, paint, dig, mow, man stalls, lend equipment, sponsor, donate and contribute. Without you there would be no PTA events or funding so thank you for all that you do to support us.

REVENUE BUDGET OUTTURN STATEMENT 2024/2025

Please find below a copy of the school's revenue outturn statement in accordance with the School Standard and Framework Act 1988. It is a requirement that this information be presented to parents in the Governing Body's Annual Report to parents or at an AGM.

The governors continue to review and update school policies and the prospectus to reflect the current situation and most recent developments. Copies of policies and the school prospectus are available to download. If required hard copies can be provided on request.

Vale of Glamorgan Council School Outturn Report 2024/25 Revenue Summary

Cost Centre Code: 101300

Description: Y Bont Faen Primary

Cost Centre Group	Detail	Annual Budget	Total Actual
EMPLOYEES	TOTAL	1,044,008.00	1,105,548.00
	TEACHING EMPLOYEES	730,878.00	783,960.04
	NON TEACHING EMPLOYEES	158,670.00	167,045.69
	GRANT EMPLOYEES	154,232.00	154,321.04
	INDIRECT EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	228.00	221.23
PREMISES	TOTAL	97,455.00	99,138.25
	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC SUPPLIES	33,020.00	33,285.44
	ENERGY	21,620.00	24,992.98
	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	5,805.00	7,044.09
	INSURANCE	0.00	0.00
	RATES	14,050.00	14,050.00
	REPAIRS & MAINT OF BUILDING	16,960.00	16,463.66
	WATER SERVICES	6,000.00	3,302.08
SUPPLIES AND SERVICES	TOTAL	156,189.00	71,007.64
	COMMS AND COMPUTING	11,565.00	15,807.54
	EQUIPMENT, FURNITURE & MATERIALS	19,667.00	18,495.55
	GRANTS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	0.00	0.00
	MISC EXPENSES	108,138.00	5,863.89
	PRINTING STATIONERY & OFFICE EXPS	8,100.00	4,650.76
	SERVICES	8,719.00	26,189.90
TRANSFERS TO / FROM RESERVES	TOTAL	0.00	0.00
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CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	TOTAL	0.00	15.79
	CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL OUTTURN	0.00	15.79
INTERNAL RECHARGES EX	TOTAL	58,334.00	54,931.62
	INTERNAL RECHARGES EXPENDITURE	58,334.00	54,931.62
GOVERNMENT GRANT	TOTAL	-205,451.00	-218,237.86
	WG GRANTS	-203,173.00	-215,200.39
	OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS	-2,278.00	-3,037.47
OTHER GRANTS	TOTAL	-840.00	-7,510.00
	OTHER GRANTS	-840.00	-7,510.00
CUSTOMER RECEIPTS	TOTAL	-32,500.00	-84,367.96
	CHARGE FOR SERVICE	-25,000.00	-38,280.00
	DONATIONS	-0.00	-18,445.46
	RENTAL INCOME	-7,500.00	-5,640.00
	SALE OF PRODUCTS	0.00	-107.50
	SECONDMENT INCOME	0.00	0.00
	INSURANCE CLAIMS	0.00	-21,895.00
INTERNAL RECHARGES IN	TOTAL	-3,948.00	-13,470.15
	INTERNAL RECHARGES INCOME	-3,948.00	-13,470.15
BFCC INCOME	TOTAL	-5,000.00	-5,000.00
	BFCC SLA REBATE	-5,000.00	-5,000.00
GRAND TOTAL		1,108,247.00	1,002,055.33