

Big Bocs Bwyd

Quality Assurance Feedback

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BBB Updates

- Big Bocs Bwyd is in 15/22 local authorities across Wales.

- The Local Authorities that we do not have a BBB in are: Ceredigion, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd, Isle of Anglesey, Monmouthshire and Wrexham.
- In March, we sited our first BBB in North Wales in Ysgol Porth Y Felin, Conwy.



opening will be at the end of June.



Sited on 25th March, 2026. Official launch

Year 1 and 2 Big Bocs Bwyd Schools

**The schools highlighted in green have not yet been sited.*

Year 1 BBB Funding:

School Name	Local Authority	Headteacher
Bryn Celyn Primary School	Cardiff	Liz Berry
Ysgol Gymraeg Gwynllyw	Torfaen	Catherine Evans
Morrison Comprehensive School	Swansea	Nic Altman
Porth Y Felin	Conwy	Paul Thomas
Gorslas Primary School	Carmarthenshire	Angharad Vaughan Owen
Milford Haven Comp	Pembrokeshire	Ceri Ann Morris
St. Woolos Primary	Newport	Rhian Milton
Deighton Primary School	BG	Huw Waythe

Year 2 BBB Funding (Identified but not yet sited):

School Name	Local Authority	Headteacher
Cilfrew Primary	Neath Port Talbot	Kate Key
Coedcae Secondary School	Carmarthenshire	Tracy Senchal
Coedffranc Primary	Neath Port Talbot	Tim Richards
Newport High School	Newport	Rachel Morris
Old Road Primary	Carmarthenshire	Non Neave
Pembroke Primary	Monmouthshire	Laura Mellens
Portmead Primary	Swansea	Alison Evans
Ysgol Bryn Coch	Flinshire	Lynne Williams
Ysgol Maes y Felin	Flinshire	Tamsin Nellist
Craig Yr Don	Conwy	Sarah

The following BBBs were collected from their schools due to insufficient use. These will be re-located at different schools.

- Abercerdin Primary School
- Ysgol Cwm Brombil
- Pontygwaith Primary School
- Heolddu Primary School

Bridgend BBB Schools

BBB System Leader - Katrina Pryce (Bryntirion Infants School + Corneli Primary School)

Bryntirion Infants School

- Opened in: March 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Friday 2:30pm-3:30pm
- Number of users per week: 35
- Number of volunteers: 4
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 100kg
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, Tesco, Asda, OneStop, Bridgend Food Bank, Corneli BBB
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Garth Primary School

- Opened in: October 2021
- Days open: Weekly: Friday Morning
- Number of users per week: 1
- Number of volunteers: 15
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 80kg
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, Lidl, The Food Bank
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Cwmfelin Primary School

- Opened in: October 2021
- Days open: Weekly: Monday-Friday afternoons
- Number of users per week: 40
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Approx KG of food redistributed: Unknown
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, Asda, Bridgend Food Bank
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Nantymoel Primary School

- Opened in: October 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Wednesday 2:50pm
- Number of users per week: 20
- Number of volunteers: 3
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 75KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Sainsburys, Nantymoel Pantry, Blaenogwr Hotel, Fair Trade Cymru
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Llangynwyd Primary School

- Opened in: 2022

- Days open: Weekly: Fridays at 3pm-4pm
- Number of users per week: 12
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 40KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Sainsburys, Nantymoel Pantry, Blaenogwr Hotel, Fair Trade Cymru
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Penybont Primary School

- Opened in: May 2022
- Days open: Tuesday and Wednesday in the morning 8.40am - 9.10 and 2.45-3.10pm
- Number of users per week: 30
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 65KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, Greggs, Bridgend Food Bank
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Litchard Primary School

- Opened in: May 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 3pm-3.45pm
- Number of users per week: 20
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 65KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, Greggs, Bridgend Food Bank
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Corneli Primary School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Thursday morning; Satellite BBB Bach at Afon Y Felin Primary Thursday afternoon
- Number of users per week: 30
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 100KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Blakemore, Asda, BAVO
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Nantyffyllon Primary School

- Opened in: October 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Wednesday 2:50pm
- Number of users per week: 20
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 75KG
- Stakeholder Involvement: Sainsburys, Nantymoel Pantry, Blaenogwr Hotel, Fair Trade Cymru
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Ysgol Cynwyd Sant

- Opened in: December 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Friday
- Number of users per week: 20
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Approx KG of food redistributed: Unknown
- Stakeholder Involvement: Trade Bridgend Food Bank, local business grants x 2
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Brackla Primary School

- Opened in: 2021
- Days open: Weekly: Tuesday 2.45pm-3pm
- Number of users per week: 10-20
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 100kg
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, food bank donations and sometimes Lidl
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Tremains Primary School

- Opened in: March 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 3 days a week
- Number of users per week: 25
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder Involvement: Fareshare, food bank donations and sometimes Lidl
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze
- Quote - "It is an essential part of the school but it can be frustrating with what is in there as not always what families want/need"
- Quote - "The Big Bocs Bwyd really helps our school families"

Bridgend College

- Opened in: January 2025
- Days open: Tuesday 10-12 and 2-3:30 / Friday 10-12 and 2-3:30
- Number of users per week: 150/200 approximately consisting of Whole student and staff body. Staff can only access for last hour of that days opening once students have had priority.
- Number of volunteers: Approximately 10-15 staff and three classes of students from the independent living skills department used for their working in the community/ work experience
- Approx KG of food redistributed: Between 200-450kg approx .
- Stakeholder Involvement: - Tesco Talbot Green (Thursday donation)
 - Tesco Bridgend (Monday donation)
 - KFC Hereston Park (now and again)
 - Nando's Mcarther Glen(now and again)
 - Bookers Bridgend (now and again)

- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Bryntirion Comprehensive School

- Opened in: 2025
- Days open: Weekly: These vary depending on our community's needs. We often open up during parents' evening options evening / start and end of term times.
- Number of users per week: We get at least one pupil a day accessing the services of our bocs.
- Number of volunteers: We have our student council organising events for the Bocs. We have sixth form volunteering as and when needed. These numbers vary depending on the availability of the sixth form.
- Approx KG of food redistributed: We have been using our bocs as part of our curriculum so have focused on the different needs of our community. As a school, we are mainly focusing on using the bocs as a clothing bank as that is what our community needs as there is already another Big Bocs close by that is open for food.
- Stakeholder Involvement: We have involved local businesses and charities this year.
- Quote from a volunteer or BBB user: "The big bocs has played an important part helping support the community again this year. Our Cakes and Carol event every christmas is one that is always extremely popular. We always have a stream of pupils using our clothes bank either donating or collecting uniform"

Nottage Primary School – Closed December 2025. Being supported by Katrina to reopen in Summer 2026.

Carmarthenshire BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Lucy Lock (Ysgol Bro Banw)

Llandeilo Primary School

- Opened in: 2023

- Days open: 5 days a week
- Number of users per week: 30
- Number of kg of food redistributed: 150kg per week
- Stakeholder involvement: Plant Dewi parenting group, Social services, Local community business that donate surplus food such as bakery, cafes, local sewing group's making bags for BB, Scanda Vale, local people who drive for BB to get fare share, local schools who we supply with fresh fruit, coop partnership fund , charity events raise money for BB, many grants.
- Number of volunteers: 1
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Ysgol Gymunedol Trimsaran

- Opened in: June 2024
- Days open: Weekly: Monday, Thursday, Friday
- Number of users per week: 60-80
- Number of kg of food redistributed: 100
- Number of volunteers: 3
- Stakeholder involvement: Fare share Cymru, Tesco, Castell Howell
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze/Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Ysgol Bro Banw

- Opened in: December 2021
- Days open: Wednesday and Friday
- Number of users per week: 40
- Number of kg of food redistributed: 400
- Number of volunteers: 4
- Stakeholder involvement: Fareshare, Castell Howell, Coop, Lidl, Capel Hendre Post Office, Ammanford food Bank, Betws Family Centre
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Gold

Ysgol Cymraeg Dewi Sant

- Opened in: 15/01/2024
- Days open: Monday and Thursday
- Number of users per week: 50-80
- Number of kg of food redistributed: Unsure
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Stakeholder involvement: Castell Howell
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Pembrokeshire BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Louise John (Prendergast CP School)

Prendergast CP School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Mondays 2:30-3:30 and Fridays 12:30 – 1:30pm
- Number of users per week: 10 – 15 BB shop customers (many more pupils and families access the fresh produce BB trolley that is left outside the doors at home time)
- Number of volunteers: 6
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 30 – 40kg per week
- Stakeholder support/involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary, community groups working with, etc):
 - CASTELL HOWELL continue to provide us with charity donations of tinned food and fresh produce.
 - We have an account with Fare Share Cymru and receive deliveries on a weekly basis to support our cooking sessions as well as food for the BB shop.
 - TESCO occasionally donate clothes or food.
 - We are one of three companies to be featured in the current TESCO Stronger Starts grant scheme and hope to secure up to £1,500 towards Kitchen equipment and fresh food.
 - We are part of the Pembrokeshire Local Food Partnership (supported by PLANED and funded by the Welsh Government). We attend community network meetings where staff and volunteers from Pembrokeshire community gardens gather. Benefits of being part of this include sharing knowledge and support, sharing equipment, more access to funding through working in partnership, better engagement and campaigning through cross-promotion, access to free training opportunities put on by the network and coming up with shared solutions to common barriers.
 - Workshops so far have included; training from Better Food Traders communications manager who talked to us about improving communications in order to get more volunteers and access more funding; PAVs who discussed volunteers and how they can be secured and used effectively as well as how to protect our volunteers; and a photographer has been secured to take professional photos of Prendergast to be able to share on the PLFP website and elsewhere. <https://www.plfp.co.uk/>
 - PAVs are supporting us with volunteer groups. We have had teams from First Milk and WB Griffiths who have used us for team building activities, e.g. building planters for outdoor classrooms and making noticeboards.
 - From the PLFP Mrs Edwards has signed up and is attending a free horticultural course that consists of 10 sessions running fortnightly between March and July as part of her own personal CPD.

- We have a stall again at Haverfoodfest in May and, although, we paid for the full stall they have said they will refund part of the money as a charitable donation to support our project. Pupils, parents and staff are looking at running the stall on the day as well as cooking/growing/preparing food ready for the event in the previous week.
- The PTA will be partnering up with Bocs Bwyd at our Prenderbury festival to have stalls that compliment and support each other, as well as sharing volunteer helpers.
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Silver

Milford Haven Comprehensive School – *Sited awaiting opening.*

Rhondda Cynon Taf BBB Schools

BBB System Leader - Emma Anstee (Treorchy Primary School)

St Margaret's Catholic School

- Opened in: April 2021
- Days open: Weekly: 2
- Number of users per week: 25

- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 75kg-100kg
- Stakeholder Support: Fareshare
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Treorchy Primary School

- Opened in: May 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 4
- Number of users per week: 35-40
- Number of volunteers: 8
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 150kg (30kg per week)
- Stakeholder Support: Thread through curriculum. Utilised by families and community. Growth supported by community.
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold/Curriculum:Gold

Bodringallt Primary School

- Opened in: February 2023
- Days open: Weekly: 2
- Number of users per week: 12
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder Support: Men's Sheds
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture:Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Gelli Primary School

- Opened in: June 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 2
- Number of users per week: 20-30
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder Support: Fareshare, Pentre Conevinence Store, Grow Rhondda, Salvation Army
- BSG Rating: Community: /Culture: /Curriculum:

Tonyrefail Community School

- Opened in: April 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 5 – they are currently developing a community café on Tonyrefail high street to evolve BBB.
- Number of users per week: 40
- Number of volunteers: Yr Efail charit support and students from the school
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Silver/Curriculum: Silver (not whole school)

Penpych Primary School

- Opened in: June 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 3

- Number of users per week: 30-50
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder Support: Men's Sheds, Greggs Foundation
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Silver

Cwmaman Primary School

- Opened in: March 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 2
- Number of users per week: 10
- Number of volunteers: 0
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 10-20kg from Aldi Neighbourly
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver
- Would like support with curriculum and groundworks/ growing help. They will be working with Fareshare Cymru again in the next 2 weeks.

Glenboi Primary School

- Opened in: April 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 1
- Number of users per week: 7-14
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KG of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder Support: Asda, Community donations, Principality Building Society, Network Rail
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Ysgol Nantgwyn – Currently Not Open due to staffing and funding constraints within the school. Potential re-siting required.

Merthyr BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Craig Lynch (Pantyscallog Primary School)

Cyfartha Primary School

- Opened in: October 2021
- Days Open: Fridays
- Number of users: Between Around 10 per week
- Number of volunteers: 1

- Approx. Number of food redistributed per month (kg): 50kg approx
- Stakeholders supporting BBB: Fairshare

Troedyrhiw Community School

- Opened in: September 2024
- Days Open: Every Wednesday 3-4pm
- Number of users: Around 10 a week
- Number of volunteers: 3
- Approx. Number of food redistributed per month (kg): 50kg
- Stakeholders supporting BBB: Castell Howell/ Iceland, His Church, Merthyr Valleys Homes

Pantyscallog Primary School

- Opened in: Nov 2022
- Days Open: Wednesdays & Thursdays
- Number of users: On average 40 per week.
- Number of volunteers: 7
- Approx. Number of food redistributed per month (kg): 200kg
- Stakeholders supporting BBB: Fairshare, FairshareGo, InKind Direct, His Church

Torfaen BBB Schools

BBB System Leader - Kristian Wharton (Cwmffrwdroer Primary School)

Llantarnam Primary School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Monday & Friday
- Number of users per week: 20-30
- Number of volunteers: 2

- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 10kg
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc): Food Partnership, Food 4 Growth, Local councillor
- Quote: "Big Bocs Bwyd has become such a positive force in our school. It's wonderful to see families, pupils, and staff all contributing and supporting one another. The project is helping us cut waste, build confidence, and show our young people what community really looks like. It's making a difference every single day."
- Quote: "I think Big Bocs Bwyd is brilliant because it helps us look after each other and the environment. It's good knowing the food is being used instead of wasted, and it brings our school community closer. It makes me feel like we're making a real difference".
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Woodlands Community Primary

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Tuesday and Friday
- Number of users per week: 15-20
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 10kg
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc): Food Partnership, Food 4 Growth
- Quote - "Big Bocs Bwyd has transformed the way our school thinks about food and community. It's inspiring to see pupils, families, and staff working side by side to support one another. The project is helping us cut down on waste while teaching everyone the value of sharing, sustainability, and making thoughtful choices. It's become a real hub of kindness and learning."
- Quote - "I like Big Bocs Bwyd because everyone gets to join in and help. It feels good knowing we're sharing food instead of throwing it away. There's always something tasty to find, and it makes our school feel like one big team."
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

The Federation of Blenheim Road Community School and Coed Eva Primary School - Bleheim and Coed Eva Sites

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Monday & Friday
- Number of users per week: 15
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 50kg
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc): Food Partnership, Food 4 Growth

- Quote: “Big Bocs Bwyd has brought a new energy to our school community. It’s wonderful to see pupils and families taking pride in supporting one another and making thoughtful choices about food. The project is helping us reduce waste, strengthen connections, and show what can happen when a community truly works together.”
- Quote: “Big Bocs Bwyd is great because it helps our school be more responsible with food. I like that we can choose things we need and make sure nothing gets wasted. It brings everyone together and makes me feel proud that we’re helping our community.” Year 6 Pupil
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Llanyrafon Primary School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Friday
- Number of users per week: Unknown
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Quote: “Big Bocs Bwyd has really strengthened the bonds within our school. Watching pupils, families, and staff come together to support one another has been inspiring. It’s helping us reduce waste, promote healthier choices, and build a culture of kindness and responsibility that reaches far beyond the school gates.”
- Quote: “I like Big Bocs Bwyd because I can help pick food for my family. It’s fun looking in the box and finding things we can use. I like that we share so nothing gets thrown away.”
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Cwmffrwdoer Primary School

- Opened in: September 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Number of users per week: 30-40
- Number of volunteers: 5
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 80-100kg
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc): Local Authority, Zero Waste Torfaen, Food Partnership, Food 4 Growth, Fare Share
- Quote - “Big Bocs Bwyd has become a real heartbeat of our school. It’s incredible to see pupils, families, and staff coming together with such pride and purpose. The project is helping us support one another, reduce waste, and build healthier habits. It’s more than a food initiative — it’s strengthening our whole school community.”
- Quote - “I love Big Bocs Bwyd because we get to share food with everyone. It’s like a treasure chest of food! It’s really fun when we all help out and there’s always something good to eat. Plus, it’s cool that we don’t let any food go to waste and everyone gets to enjoy it” Year 4 Pupil

- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Gold

Ysgol Gymraeg Gwynllyw – *Sited awaiting opening.*

Swansea BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Dan Jones (Clase Primary School)

Clase Primary School

- Opened in: January 2022
- Days open: Wednesday and Thursday
- Number of users (approx weekly) - 25
- Number of volunteers - 2
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: 150 – 200kg per week
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc)

- Quote from a leader in school making reference to the impact on the child – "The Bocs is a hub for learning about social enterprise, sustainability and community.
- Quote from a child and / or volunteer and / or user - "We love visiting the bocs to get our food and we especially enjoy when we can cook our food in the pop up kitchen!"

Clwyd Community Primary School

- Opened in: 2023
- Days open: Thursday and Friday
- Number of users (approx weekly) - 6
- Number of volunteers - 3
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: Unsure
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc)
- Quote from a leader in school making reference to the impact on the child - "The children really understand what happens to food waste, it has made them think about the effect on our environment."
- Quote from a child and / or volunteer and / or user - "I love volunteering as it gives me a real feel of purpose, I used to stay in the house all day with my daughter."

Penllergaer Primary School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: 2
- Number of users (approx weekly) – approx.. 10-15
- Number of volunteers - 1
- Approx KGs of food redistributed: Unsure
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc)
- Quote from a leader in school making reference to the impact on the child – The children get the chance to be immersed in social enterprise.
- Quote from a child and / or volunteer and / or user – I love helping out in Big Bocs Bwyd, I feel like a business man!

Pontarddulais Comprehensive School

- Opened in: 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Once a week
- Number of users per week: 20
- Number of volunteers: 2
- Number of KG of food redistributed: 50
- BSG Rating: Community: Bronze /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Dylan Thomas Community School

- Opened in: November 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Every Thursday - however we do open on occasions where the school has visitors - parents' evenings, open days etc.

- Number of users per week: 10-15 roughly.
- Number of volunteers: 5 staff and the pupils from our specialised teaching facility.
- Approx KG of food redistributed: (approx). Due to the way we use our BBB and not weigh anything it is hard to determine the weight but approx 10 boxes go out a week.
- Quote: "It is really helpful and helped me save money on essentials I couldn't afford" Child
- Quote: "It is great to be able to support the wider community with our BBB, we have all different people who use our BBB, not just pupils of our school but within the community too". Volunteer

Gorslas Primary School – *Sited awaiting opening.*

Cardiff BBB Schools

BBB System Leader - Nikki Brinning (Grangetown Nursery School)

St Alban's Primary School

- Opened in: Summer Term 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Thursday and after Easter Tuesdays
- Number of users per week: 28
- Number of volunteers: 3

- Approximate food redistributed (KG) – 50kg
- Stakeholder support/involvement - Splott Volunteers and St Alban's Rugby Club support by donating food. Fareshare provide food on a weekly basis.
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Bronze

Stacey Primary School

- Opened in: 28.9.24
- Days open: Weekly: Tuesday and Thursday
- Number of users per week: 30-40
- Number of volunteers: (staff from school – 4 and 6 Year 6 pupils)
- Approximate food redistributed (KG) – 50kg weekly and 70kg alternate weeks
- Stakeholder support/involvement - (businesses or community groups you might be working with) Fareshare Cymru and bi-monthly donation from MCKS which is from Sainsburys
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver

Grangetown Nursery School

- Opened in: 10.06.2021
- Days open: Weekly: Every Wednesday 11.00am - 2.00pm (all year around)
- Number of users per week: 35
- Number of volunteers: 18
- Approximate food redistributed (KG) – 200kg
- Stakeholder support/involvement - (businesses or community groups you might be working with) Morrisons, Asda & Asda Foundation, Fareshare, Clare Foods, Costco, Egin Project, Social Farms and Gardens, Edible Gardens, Cardiff Third Sector, Coed Caerdydd, Food Cardiff & Earl's Kitchen.
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Gold

Bryn Celyn Primary School

- Opened in: 19/09/25
- Days open: Weekly: Thursday 8.30-10am
- Number of users per week: 10-15
- Number of volunteers: 1
- Approximate food redistributed (KG) – Approx Half a pallet per week
- Stakeholder support/involvement - (businesses or community groups you might be working with) - Fareshare, Castell howell, Tesco Pengam Green
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Herbert Thompson Primary School

- Opened in: 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 5 days a week
- Number of users per week: 50-100
- Number of volunteers: 4
- Approximate food redistributed (KG): 150
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Bronze /Curriculum: Bronze

Ysgol Gynradd Nant Caerau – *Currently not operational due to staff bereavement.*

Neath Port Talbot BBB Schools

No System Leader, supported by Dan Jones – Swansea System Leader

Central Primary School

- Opened in: September 2023
- Days open: Tues, Weds, Thurs and Fri after school and food dependent
- Number of users (approx weekly) 30 people
- Number of volunteers: its run and overseen by staff
- Approx KGs of food redistributed

- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc) We are a split site, and the BBB is on our junior site. The team have started 'Pop Up' shops in the infants selling 'Meal in a Bag' It is early days for this.
- Quote from a leader in school making reference to the impact on the child
- Quote from a child and / or volunteer and / or user - This really helps out when everything is getting more expensive.

Ynysfach Primary School

- Opened in: May 2023
- Days open: 3 days a week
- Number of users (approx weekly) - about 20 families
- Number of volunteers: about 5 - some running the shop some doing fare share pick ups. We also have the classes running it 2 weeks out of a term on a rota basis and their work will be based on this. Also we have BBB Ambassadors that meet, take assemblies and also come up with ideas to raise money
- Approx KGs of food redistributed - 50 kg
- Stakeholder support / involvement (e.g. particular projects, rotary etc)
- Quote from a leader in school making reference to the impact on the child: Our pupils love running the Pay As You Feel shop, and it's giving them essential knowledge about food literacy and sustainability. They've taken real ownership of promoting it in the village and feel proud knowing they are helping to reduce food waste and support local families."
- Quote from a child and / or volunteer and / or user: I love working in the shop and helping others, it is such fun.

Blaenau Gwent BBB Schools

BBB System Leader - Mel Evans (Willowtown Primary School)

Willowtown Primary School

- Opened in: January 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Wednesday AM and Friday PM
- Number of users per week: 35 per week over 2 days
- Number of volunteers: 3 volunteers

- Approximate food redistributed (KG) – 150kg per week.
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum:Gold

Newport BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Jo Cueto (Maindee Primary School)

Maindee Primary School

- Opened in: 18th May 2023
- Days open: Tuesday 2:30-3:30 / Thursday 3:30-4:30
- Number of users per week: 40
- Number of volunteers: 0

- Number of kgs of food: 2500kg since beginning of April, 2025
- Stakeholder involvement: St David's Hospice, Dragon's RFC, Business in the Community, Celtic Manor Meals, Brakes, Sue Mizon
- Quote: "My children love exploring Big Bocs but I would like fresh spices and herbs to add to my cooking" BBB User
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Silver

St Julian's Primary School

- Date opened: 3rd March 2023
- Days open : Spring Term 2026 Monday and Friday
- Number of users: Average 22
- Number of volunteers : 1
- Approx KGs of food redistributed : This academic year 2025-2026 – approx.. 500kgs
- Stakeholder support / involvement: Support from local churches, parents and The Hygiene Bank.

Vale of Glamorgan BBB Schools

BBB System Leader – Ceri-Ann Clark (Gladstone Primary School)

Oak Field Primary School

- Opened in: March 2021
- Days open: Wednesday, Thursday Friday 2.15 to 3.45
- Number of users per week: Approximately 40 to 55 customers per week
- Number of volunteers: 5

- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Silver
- Quote from a BBB committee (Tyler year 6)- "I enjoy working on the BBB helping stock and selling food to people and I like using the card machine the most".
- Parent 1 – "I need this service to help me and my family as prices keep going up".
- Parent 2 "The BBB helps my family and others to cope with the prices going up and I get to talk to people I don't normally mix, also the children and Jeff make us feel welcome and he gives good tips to cook with ingredients I'm not sure of".
- Jeff runs a cookery club for the children with any left over food from the BBB.

Jenner Park Primary School

- Opened in: June 2023
- Days open: Weekly: Mon, Wed, Fri -8.50 -9.30a.m. & 3 -3.30pm
- Number of users per week: 15-20
- Number of volunteers: 2
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver
- Quote from a grandmother who volunteers in The Pantry and now volunteers in classes too. " I love coming up to help whenever you need me. I need something to do or I'd be sat at home doing nothing. I really enjoy coming in to help."
- Classes regularly use the space to do cooking and learn about making healthy food choices
- We use The Pantry regularly to hold coffee and catch up sessions and welcome visitors to come and speak to parents and carers

Colcot Primary School

- Opened in: Captains Cabin opened 2021 but was running from a container prior to Covid (est 2019)
- Days open: Weekly: Open Thursdays 8.45-10.30
- Number of users per week: 8-10 (around 10-12 in summer term)
- Number of volunteers: 3
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Bronze
- 'Really enjoy coming over for our weekly catch up with the ladies. Hoping we can open more mornings for additional coffee mornings'.

Gladstone Primary School

- Opened in: 5th February 2024
- Days open: Weekly: Monday & Tuesday 8:30am-9am, 2:30pm-3:45pm, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 2:30pm-3:45pm
- Number of users per week: 75
- Number of volunteers: 1
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Gold
- Our Community LSA works closely with families to cook alongside their children, using produce sourced from Glad2Share. She also leads weekly gardening sessions with volunteers, where the food grown is used in community cooking and shared with families, as well as contributing fresh produce back to

Glad2Share. This approach supports the development of food literacy, allowing it to be meaningfully embedded and flourish across Gladstone Primary School.

- In a recent Estyn inspection we received a spotlight for effective partnership working to support pupils and their families: 'Staff at all levels make a highly effective contribution to ensuring that all pupils are safe, secure and able to learn. Senior leaders develop close relationships with pupils and their families. They recognise promptly where families may be experiencing difficulty and work swiftly to provide comprehensive support both directly and through effective links with a range of support agencies. Leaders adapt provision to emerging needs quickly and continue to equip highly trained support staff with the necessary skills to work seamlessly across classes, providing immediate and bespoke support for pupils. The way staff include families in the life of the school is innovative and contributes strongly to maintaining close and trusting relationships that have a significant impact on pupils' well-being and Progress' Estyn report 2025

Cadoxton Primary School

- Opened in: September 2020
- Days open: Weekly: Wednesday (Community offer) 2pm-6pm, Thursday (Cadoxton Parents offer) 2pm-6pm
- Number of users per week: 40
- Number of volunteers: 10
- BSG Rating: Community: Gold /Culture: Gold /Curriculum: Gold
- 'It's helped me try things I never would have before. I recently cooked with red lentils for the first time and didn't even know what they were before that! It's made me want to change how I eat and be more open to new things. I'm really trying to do better, and I just hope my kids grow up with better habits than I did.' *BBB User*
- 'I joined the team about six weeks ago and I'm still blown away by what goes on here. It's such a great place to be and I love being part of it. It means a lot to give something back to the community, especially because it helped me through a tough time in the past. Being able to now support others the same way feels really special.' *Volunteer Dave Peacock*
- All of our volunteers have completed Level 2 Food Hygiene training so everyone understands how to handle food safely. We follow a clear set of guidelines that meet EHO standards, which means we're able to safely serve things like coffee and food as well.
- We've also visited other BBBs and community pantries to learn from what they're doing and bring back ideas to improve what we offer.
- Each week, we work with our Year 6 children to create recipe cards based on the ingredients we receive from FareShare. It's a great way to get them involved, learn new skills, and help families make the most of the food available.

Holton Primary School

- Opened in: 18/07/2023

- Days open: Weekly: 5 days a week-Morning & Afternoon
- Number of users per week: Between 50-100 depending on external agencies / courses
- Number of volunteers: 7
- BSG Rating: Community: Silver /Culture: Silver /Curriculum: Silver
- Quote – ‘I love the caff, because of the hot drinks, the staff, and it brings me joy!’ Learner
- Quote – ‘Being a volunteer at the Cynefin caffi has helped me gain close friendships and connections with both staff and customers. I love being able to give back to the local community by supporting others with the fill a bag scheme or helping parents feel safe and just offering a friendly chat. Also the coffee at the Cynefin caffi is great!’ Volunteer

Ysgol Y Ddraig

- Date opened: 8.3.2023
- Days open : Wednesday and Thursday 14.30 - 16.00 (term time only)
- Number of users (approx weekly) : 40 approx
- Number of volunteers: 3
- Approx KGs of food redistributed : 50kg from Fareshare weekly and any additional donations/supplementary produce
- Quote: *“The Bocs Bwyd y Ddraig continues to support families and is considered a very valuable resource within our school community. We have regular visitors each week”.*

Caerphilly BBB Schools

No System Leader

Cefn Fforest Primary School

- Opened in: March 2022
- Days open: Weekly: 1
- Number of users per week: 30
- Number of volunteers: 4
- Number of KGs of food redistributed: 100
- Quote: "The Big Bocs Bwyd helps us learn and have different things to eat for tea as food costs a lot of money". Child
- Quote: "The school shop for me personally has been a life line. As a single mother who has struggled financially and with mental health its been a great help for me both with being able to provide meals for my children but also, it has built up my confidence being around other people who are in the same situation. The food the shop provides often gives us balanced meals and has made me think about what I can cook with the ingredients. Without this boost to my cupboards each week, I really don't know what we would do. Im forever grateful for the school shop and Mrs Morton and Co for all their hard work".Parent and Volunteer

St Martin's Comprehensive School - Awaiting Data

- Opened in: March 2022
- Days open: Weekly: Monday (2-4pm), Tuesday-Friday (as and when wanted / needed)
- Number of users per week: 6-12
- Number of volunteers: 5
- Number of KGs of food redistributed: 48kg
- Quote: ""Im happy that I can get some fresh food and nice food that I can take home. My mum cant always afford to buy this or even get to the shops". Child
- "The Big Boccs Bwyd has been an invaluable asset to supporting our local community. It has allowed community members to be able to have nutritious food during such difficult economic times - especially in a economically deprived area". Volunteer

Powys BBB Schools

No System Leader

Brecon High School - Currently Not Open due to change of leadership within the school.