

Jesus: in our hearts, in our minds, in our living, in our learning.



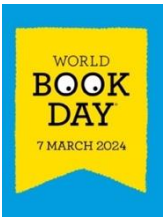
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*What a wonderful celebration for World Book Day we've had today! Da iawn pawb!*

14<sup>th</sup> March 2025

### Message from Mrs Taylor



Thank you for all your support as we celebrated World Book Day today. The day was a wonderful opportunity to promote a love of literature within our school and to immerse pupils in a range of activities to inspire and encourage them to read for pleasure both in school and at home. They all looked fabulous in their costumes and home-clothes and I hope they enjoyed the competition and activities in class.

In English this week, Nursery and Reception revised the phonics, tricky words and songs they have been learning; Year 1 used alliteration in their writing; Year 2 described the characters' emotions in a story; Year 3 and 4 made predictions about their new Writing Journey texts; Year 5 used oracy skills to show emotion through their voice and body language; and Year 6 developed their descriptive and emotive writing.

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, we will be celebrating St Joseph's Feast Day with a whole-school Mass at 2.45pm. All are welcome.



Next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, is a home clothes day as part of our Lenten observance. Pupils are invited to wear home-clothes and donate a toiletries item such as shower gel, hand cream, face cream, tissues, toothpaste, hand soap, or shampoo. These will be given to elderly people in the local hospital and nursing homes.



This term's Parent Teacher Consultations will take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March for Nursery, Years 1 – 6 and on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March for Reception class. My apologies for the rescheduling of these dates. **Appointments for the Parent Teacher Consultations will go live from 6pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March on the SchoolApp.**

Take care and God bless. Mrs Taylor

### Prayer of the Week



We are now in the season of Lent. Lent is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. During Lent, we ask God to guide and direct us on our journey through life and to be with us during our Lenten journey of faith and love. We ask him to help us to grow closer to Him during this special holy season.

Say this prayer together:

**Loving God,  
Your Son Jesus shows us the path to life.  
Help us to choose the road that leads to you.  
Amen**

At home: Did you make a Lenten promise? Have you managed keep it? Are there any other ways you could grow closer to God?

### St Joseph's Pupil Profile Virtues



This half term we will be focussing on the virtues of 'grateful and generous' as part of our on-going work to develop the St Joseph's Pupil Profile.

Pupils in St Joseph's RC Primary School are growing to be **Grateful** and **Generous**

To be **GRATEFUL** is to always appreciate the gifts and blessings we have been given.

To be **GENEROUS** is to give something to someone else, to share with someone else, willingly and happily, without expecting anything in return.

### Attendance

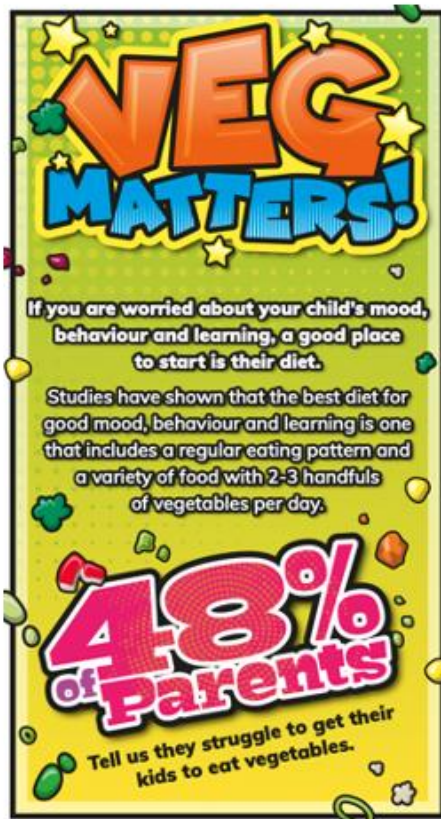
This week's attendance figures for each class are:  
Well done to Year 5 who achieved the highest attendance this week and to all families who arrived at school on time.

Class	Attendance
Reception	94.2%
Year 1	92.4%
Year 2	95.2%
Year 3	96.2%
Year 4	90.3%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	85.9%



### Eat Them to Defeat Them!

During this half term, the Health and Wellbeing Government Group would like to ask all our children and their families to get involved with the, 'Eat Them To Defeat Them campaign.'



The Health and Wellbeing Group will be sending home a reward chart and stickers over the next few weeks for pupils.

We hope that the campaign will encourage our school community to eat more vegetables for a healthy, balanced diet.

We need everyone to be involved with the campaign and eat as many vegetables as possible **in school and at home**. Good luck – Prepare for Victory!

From the Health and Wellbeing Government Group



## Dates for the Diary



### March

19<sup>th</sup> – Feast of St Joseph Mass at 2.45pm. All are welcome  
 21<sup>st</sup> – Year 2 Kerbcraft workshops  
 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 cycling  
 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> – Big Walk and Wheel  
 26<sup>th</sup> – Chaplaincy Team to visit Hazelhurst care home  
 31<sup>st</sup> – Parent Teacher Consultations 4pm – 6pm - rescheduled

### April

1<sup>st</sup> – Parent Teacher Consultations 4pm – 6pm - rescheduled  
 1<sup>st</sup> – Years 3 and 5 pBuzz and Vocal Celebration  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Reconciliation Liturgy 9.30am  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – St Richard Gwyn Cluster Lent Service (St Helen's Catholic Church, Barry) 2pm  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – St Richard Gwyn Cluster Lent Service (St Joseph's RC Church, Penarth) 6pm  
 7<sup>th</sup> – Termly St Joseph's 100 Club Draw  
 11<sup>th</sup> – Final Day of Spring Term

### 14<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holidays

28<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Summer Term  
 29<sup>th</sup> – Colorfoto Class Photographs

### May

5<sup>th</sup> – Bank Holiday  
 6<sup>th</sup> – INSET day  
 9<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Crucial Crew  
 15<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 to Dinas Powys Music Festival  
 21<sup>st</sup> – May Procession and Picnic

### June

2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Llangrannog  
 6<sup>th</sup> – F&F Colour Run  
 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – Healthy and Confident Week  
 10<sup>th</sup> – Years 1 – 6 Sports Day  
 17<sup>th</sup> – Nursery and Reception Sports Day  
 20<sup>th</sup> – F&F Big Top Circus Workshops  
 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> – Year 6 Manor Adventure  
 25<sup>th</sup> – Infant Celebration of Music and Dance 10am  
 26<sup>th</sup> – Infant Celebration of Music and Dance 10am  
 27<sup>th</sup> June – F&F Summer Fair

### July

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – Years 5 and 6 Summer Production 6pm  
 18<sup>th</sup> – Final Day of school for pupils  
 21<sup>st</sup> – INSET day

## Four Purposes of the Curriculum – Ambitious and Capable Learners!

<b>Nursery</b>	Grace McDermid	<b>Year 3</b>	Amelia Barber
<b>Reception</b>	Camilla Haincock	<b>Year 4</b>	Eva Shrubsole
<b>Year 1</b>	Jasper Challis	<b>Year 5</b>	Bradleigh Roodhouse
<b>Year 2</b>	Mila-Blu Lewis	<b>Year 6</b>	Sienna Mifsud



## Weekly Good News Awards

### Congratulations to this week's winners!



Mrs Taylor's Good News stickers are for pupils who love to read. They join in with songs, rhymes, stories and poems and respond creatively to the range of literature they hear, read or view. (World Book Day)

<b>Nursery</b>	Margot Drake Zain El Hammoud Otis Williams Oscar Murphy Newport	<b>Year 3</b>	Flossie Abbott Dylan Carroll Tomos Parker Scarlett Chan
<b>Reception</b>	Harri Dibble Alessio Bremmer Georgie-Ray James Evana Jaison	<b>Year 4</b>	Olivia Buinimasi Charlotte Cummings Nia Holt Oliver Hooper
<b>Year 1</b>	Ben Hooper Elise Knapper Xavier Buinimasi Afan McAuley	<b>Year 5</b>	Elsie Jeffreys Martha Graham Cory Howard Niamh Griffith-Pearson
<b>Year 2</b>	Jonah Hickman Mia Taylor John Murray Tomos Samuel	<b>Year 6</b>	Ella Moreton Izabella Edwards Thomas Mortimer Celyn Thomas

## Eisteddfod 2025

Last Friday, we held our Eisteddfod. It was a fantastic celebration of our wonderful Wales, our land, culture and heritage. We enjoyed performances from each class, sang Welsh songs and announced the competition winners for art, handwriting and poetry writing. We ended our day with the traditional 'Crowning of the Bard' ceremony and the National Anthem. Congratulations to all the winners of the competitions and to everyone who took part. Cymru am byth!

**Congratulations to all our Eisteddfod competition winners!**

### Handwriting Competition

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Nursery</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Margot Drake	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Irene Nithin	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Oscar Murphy Newport	-
<b>Reception</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Regan Ruckley	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Osian Whittaker	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Evana Jaison	St Non
<b>Year 1</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Afan McAuley	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Elise Knapper	St Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jasper Challis	St Tydfil
<b>Year 2</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Molly Dix	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Robin Abraham	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nate Mercer	St Cadoc

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Year 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jackson Ruckley	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aika Ferrer	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Erin Griffiths	St Non
<b>Year 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Olivia Buinimasi	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fletcher Mulchinock	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nia Holt	St Non
<b>Year 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Lexie Morgan	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Layla Knapper	St Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elizabeth Yerokun	St Non
<b>Year 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Oscar Evans	St. Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Zeta Chan	St. Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jasmine Crocker	St. Teilo



### Art Competition

Year Group	Place	Name	House
Nursery	1 <sup>st</sup>	Thea-Rose Baker	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lily Davey	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Frankie Griffiths	-
Reception	1 <sup>st</sup>	Camilla Haincock	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Roman Daly	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emilio Aviles	St Teilo
Year 1	1 <sup>st</sup>	Theo Davies	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Carter Barlett	St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Doris Perkins	St. Non
Year 2	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kian Haitham	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Edward Best	St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reuben Bousie	St Teilo

Year Group	Place	Name	House
Year 3	1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrea Nithin	St. Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Flossie Abbott	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Daisy Davey	St Teilo
Year 4	1 <sup>st</sup>	Marti Goma- Camps	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alys Holt	St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Oliver Hooper	St Teilo
Year 5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ashton Ruckley	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Leilani Goodall	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Esme Jones	St. Non
Year 6	1 <sup>st</sup>	Bethan Addy	St. Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Raine Ferrer & Brooke Lewis	St. Tydfil & Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Poppy Meyer	St. Tydfil



## Poetry Writing Competition

Year Group	Place	Name	House
Year 1	1 <sup>st</sup>	Hallie Ayres	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Xavier Buinimasi	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	William Hoover	St Non
Year 2	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dylan Walsh	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Albie Todd	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gino Meletti-Herniman	St Cadoc

Year Group	Place	Name	House
Year 3	1 <sup>st</sup>	Elisabeth Goma-Camps Jaimes	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scarlett Chan	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lana Stolzenberg	St Teilo
Year 4	1 <sup>st</sup>	Emily Deacon	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ayaansh Prasad	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Esmal O Grady	St Teilo
Year 5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Amelia Davies	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Martha Graham	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bobby Sawyer	St Tydfil



## Dydd Gwyl Dewi Sant!



### Home Competition – Young Performer

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Nursery</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Delilah Pugsley	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Irene Nithin	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zain El Hammond	-
<b>Reception</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Erin Spear	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 1</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ben Hooper	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 2</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Reuben Bousie	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cora Spear	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aleia Goodall	St Tydfil

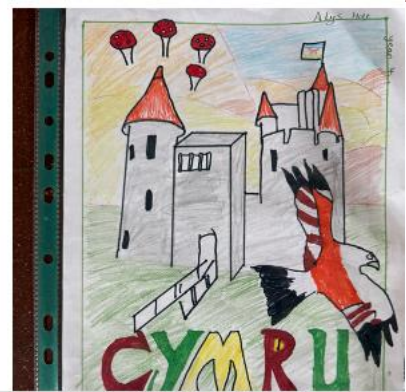
Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Year 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Oliver Jarvis	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lana Stolzenberg	St Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Andrea Nithin	St Non
<b>Year 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Rafael Pugsley	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Iris Abbot	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nia Holt	St Non
<b>Year 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dylan Hooper	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alys Cirino	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lina Jay/ Cory Howard	St Cadoc St Cadoc
<b>Year 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Bethan Addy	St. Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Celyn Thomas	St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joseff Vella-Jones	St. Cadoc



### Home Competition – 3D Sculpture

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Nursery</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Otis Williams	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Delilah Pugsley	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mia Dos Santos De Jesus	-
<b>Reception</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Alana Valvo	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Osian Whittaker	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Camilla Haincock	St Teilo
<b>Year 1</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Xavier Buinimasi	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 2</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Charlie Moreton	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Seren Griffiths	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Olivia Bounds	St Teilo

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Year 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Flossie Abbott and Amelia Barber	St Cadoc/ St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tomos Parker	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aika Ferrer	St Tydfil
<b>Year 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Annabelle Hoover	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rafael Pugsley	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Layla James	St Tydfil
<b>Year 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dylan Dos Santos	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lexie Morgan	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Archie Jones	St Non
<b>Year 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Celyn Thomas	St. Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bethan Addy	St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		



### Home Competition – My Special Place in Wales

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Nursery</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Irene Nithin	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Otis Williams	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rowan Keenan/ Zain El Hammond	-
<b>Reception</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Archie Barber	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aneyah Stait	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sophia Burnett	St Teilo
<b>Year 1</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Isla Mae Hilliard	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Theo Davies	St Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hallie Ayres	St Cadoc
<b>Year 2</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nate Mercer	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cora Spear	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alayna Jubin	St. Non

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Year 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Noah Davies	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marcus Mathew Riju and Ffion Parker	St Cadoc St. Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elisabeth Goma-Camps Jaimes	St Teilo
<b>Year 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Olivia Buinimasi	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ava Morgan	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Joseph Burnett	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Amelia Davies	St Teilo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Leilani Goodall	St Tydfil
<b>Year 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ella Moreton	St. Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Finley Mulchinock	St. Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Celyn Thomas	St. Non



### Home Competition – Criw Cymraeg – Design a Welsh Home

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Reception</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	John Harlow	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Milo Mulchinock	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Erin Spear	St Tydfil
<b>Year 1</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	William Hoover	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 2</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kian Haitham	St Cadoc
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jacob Wareham	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dylan Walsh	St Tydfil

Year Group	Place	Name	House
<b>Year 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Harvey Haincock	St Teilo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Andrea Nithin	St Non
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aika Ferrer	St Tydfil
<b>Year 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Steve Robin Abraham	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Eva Shrubsole	St Tydfil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alphonsa Manayani	St Cadoc
<b>Year 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Elsie Jeffries	St Tydfil
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
<b>Year 6</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Bethan Addy	St Non
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Finley Mulchinock	St Cadoc
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Brooke Lewis	St Cadoc



## Crowning of the Bard

### Congratulations to Thomas Lau, Year 6 – Eisteddfod Bard 2025

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Thomas Lau

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Ella Moreton

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Raine Ferrer



### My Future Wales

#### By Firstdig

The beautiful fields shine in bright green,  
The daffodils bloom without gloom,  
We live in peace with the air clean,  
As we speak the great language, that is Welsh.

Great Wales the land of song,  
Ancient tales great and true,  
The great castle mighty and strong,  
Wales' sky shines in bright blue.

Wales a great land,  
The future for it will truly stand,  
The red dragon flies mightily in the bright sky,  
Wales with its great future bright,  
Wales my home.