

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



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'Well done!' to our Diversity Government Group who met with pupils at St Richard Gwyn High School this week as part of our work to become a School of Sanctuary.

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Message from Mrs Taylor

Pasg Hapus! Happy Easter!

We have had a wonderful start to the Summer Term. The children have settled back into school life beautifully, and we are looking forward to a term filled with rich learning and exciting experiences both in and beyond the classroom.

This week, pupils across the school have already been busy with a wide range of engaging activities:

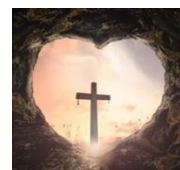
- **Nursery and Reception** enjoyed learning outdoors in our meadow. Nursery pupils explored using iPads to take photographs, while Reception pupils created beautiful observational drawings and paintings inspired by nature.
- **Year 1** began their new writing journey using the text *Cave Baby*.
- **Year 2** developed their Maths skills by learning the 10 times table.
- **Year 3** enjoyed playing bingo in their daily Welsh lessons.
- **Year 4** showed great resilience during a very wet (but enjoyable!) educational visit to the **Brecon Beacons**.
- **Year 5** have fully immersed themselves in their new *Victorians Domain*.
- **Year 6** created thoughtful presentations exploring **carbon footprints** and how we can care for our world.

We are currently looking for any **parents or grandparents who are Welsh speakers** who would be willing to come into school to support our Welsh sessions or share their love of the language with the children. If this is something you would be interested in, please contact the school office—we would greatly value your support.

As we continue through the Easter season, we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus, the light of the world. We are reminded that, as Christians, we are people of light, hope, and promise. Jesus said, "I will be with you always." He is with us now. He is risen. Alleluia!

Take care and God bless,
Mrs Taylor

Prayer of the Week



**Pasg Hapus Pawb!
Happy Easter everyone!**

Let us pray:

Lord,

Help us to recognise the risen Christ.

We see him in all those around us every day.

Help us all to grow in God's image every day.

Help us to spread the Good News and in return we will all rise again to a new life.

Amen

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

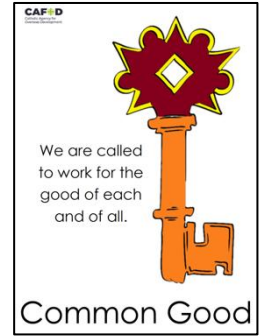
This week's attendance figures for each class are:
Well done to year 6 who achieved the highest attendance this week and to all families who arrived at school on time.

Class	Attendance	Late
Reception	88.5%	0.00%
Year 1	89.54%	0.42%
Year 2	97.22%	0.00%
Year 3	89.29%	0.00%
Year 4	90.34%	0.00%
Year 5	92.25%	0.31%
Year 6	100%	0.00%



Catholic Social Teaching – The Common Good

This half term we are learning about the Catholic Social Teaching principle, 'The common good means working together for the benefit of everyone, ensuring no one is left behind. It's about respecting the rights and responsibilities of all people and recognising that we're all connected.'



At school, we can live out the common good by including everyone in activities, helping each other, and behaving in a way that allows all to learn and grow. At home, we can show care by helping out, recycling, and respecting the environment.

Every little act of kindness contributes to the common good, and together, our actions can make a big difference.

National Autism Awareness



As a school we are celebrating 'World Autism Acceptance Month' during the month of April. It is an opportunity for everyone to come together and raise awareness, acceptance and create a society where autistic people are supported and understood. We can all make a real difference.

The children will be celebrating each other, celebrating difference and encouraging belonging for all. They will be taking part in fun activities and lessons to explore this further.

Further information can be found here:

<https://www.autism.org.uk/what-we-do/acceptance-and-awareness/world-autism-acceptance-month>

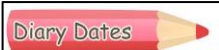
May Procession and Picnic – 20th May



On **Wednesday 20th May at 3.00 p.m.**, we will be holding our annual May Procession around the school grounds in honour of our Lady. All family members and friends of the school are very welcome to join us. Please provide your child with one flower or a small plant that they can process with and lay at the feet of Mary on Wednesday 20th May. Any plants donated will be later planted around our school grounds by pupils in the Gardening Club. Thank you.

Following the May Procession, we are inviting all family members for a Family Picnic. Families are welcome to bring blankets, chairs and a picnic to enjoy on the school field. Please note, all children must be accompanied by an adult. If you are unable to join us for the picnic, your child must be picked up at the usual time of 3.55pm.

Dates for the Diary



April

23rd – Year 6 Crucial Crew
 28th – Colorfoto Class photos
 29th – Years 4 – 6 Author Visit: Catherine Fisher: The Candleman

May

4th – Bank Holiday Monday – school is closed
5th – St Joseph’s Before School Wrap Around provision begins
 6th – Years 4 and 5 Dinas Powys Music Festival – Samba workshop
 13th – Catholic Schools Netball Tournament
14th – Nursery and Reception Educational Visit to Porthkerry
15th – Seren a Sbarc Welsh Language Day
 19th – 22nd May Year 6 Cycling
 20th – May Procession and Picnic 3pm. All welcome.
21st – Year 5 Educational Visit to Rhondda Heritage Park

25th – 29th – Half Term

June

1st – 3rd Year 5 Llangrannog
 9th – Years 1 to 6 Sports Day; Rotation activities 9.45am; 12.00 Picnic lunch; 1pm Races
 12th – 14th – Year 6 Manor Adventure
 16th – Nursery and Reception Sports Day 9.45 – 11.45am
 26th – F&F Summer Fair
 30th – Nursery – Year 2 Celebration of Music and Dance 10am

July

1st – Nursery – Year 2 Celebration of Music and Dance 10am
 7th – Years 5 and 6 Summer Production 6pm
 8th – Years 5 and 6 Summer Production 6pm
 17th – Final Day of the Summer Term for pupils

INSET Day - Monday 20th July

Pupil Profile Virtues – Compassionate and Loving!

Nursery	Jacob Burnett	Year 3	Vienna Ward
Reception	Lily Davey	Year 4	Oliver Jarvis
Year 1	Sophia Burnett	Year 5	Mirabelle Challis
Year 2	Elise Knapper	Year 6	Lina Jay



Weekly Good News Awards

Congratulations to this week’s winners!

Mrs Taylor’s Good News stickers are for pupils who have settled beautifully demonstrating excellent learning behaviours – listening and collaborating with others – always being the best they can be.

Nursery	Santino Misfud Hanson Wu Delilah Carroll Ella McNamara	Year 3	Mia Taylor Kian Haitham Albie Todd Edward Best
Reception	Frankie Leach Grace McDermid Demi Daly Zakariya Varma	Year 4	Harvey Haincock Dylan Carroll Amelia Williams Ffion Parker
Year 1	Alessio Bremner Joey Lyle Ellen Jones Emilio Aviles	Year 5	Ava Morgan Marti-Goma Camps Jaimes Oliver Hooper Eva Shrubsole
Year 2	Alfie Langley Zackary Sulley Afan McAuley Stanley Hawkins	Year 6	Orla Aviles Cory Howard Lexie Morgan Holly Terry

Join us for...



EARLY BREAKFAST CLUB

7:30 -
8:50am

Busy mornings? Give your child a calm, happy start to the day

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Games, Lego and puzzles
- Arts and crafts
- Healthy breakfast with fruit, cereal and toast
- Led by Mrs Peach



HOW TO BOOK

- £7 per session
- Starts May 6
- Book regular sessions or ad-hoc days via ParentPay

