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**Pope Francis' Thought for the Day**



If we practice seeing with the eyes of Jesus, we will always be able to recognize those who need our help.

**Welsh Words/Phrases**

Hapus – Happy  
Bendigedig – Fantastic  
Ofnadwy – Awful





### Well Done

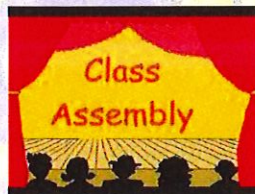
To Gracjun who has received a certificate for Tae Kwon Do. Amelia has received a badge from Rainbows for Chopsticks and Courage (Year of the Pig). Cordi has received a trophy for a Cheerleading competition for Future Cheer 1<sup>st</sup> Place. Hannah has achieved Wave 4 in swimming.

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### Safer Internet Assembly and Parent presentation

A big thank you to the Year 5/6 Digital Leaders for delivering a very powerful assembly to the juniors on safe use of the internet. Mrs Jones will also be delivering a similar assembly to all Foundation Phase next week. On Wednesday afternoon at 4pm, parents are invited to come to listen to the Digital Leaders' presentation and to find out how to support your children to use the internet safely.

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### Yr 2 Robins' assembly

Diolch to the Robins for a delightful assembly today on their current topic of Africa. We were particularly wowed by their creative dance based on the Lion King musical. Da iawn pawb. I am sure that the parents will also enjoy the assembly when they join us at 2:30pm.

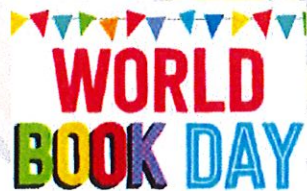
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### St David's Day- Eisteddfod

As St David's Day (1<sup>st</sup> March) falls during half term this year, we will be holding our annual Eisteddfod on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. All children are invited to come to school dressed in traditional Welsh costume, in Welsh colours or in Welsh rugby/ football shirts. We look forward to a special day celebrating our Welsh culture. Details of competitions/ events will follow on individual class Seesaw accounts. Diolch.

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### World Book Day

This year, St Mary's will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Children are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character and this year, we have been approached to take part in a beautiful charity event where books are sent to needy children in Africa. With this in mind, we hope that all children will 'Send a Story to others' by donating a favourite good quality used book so that other children can enjoy it. More details to follow on Seesaw. Diolch.

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**The Friends' Disco Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

**The Infants disco** (Reception - Year 2) is 5.30pm - 6.30pm and the cost is **£2.50** per child which includes refreshments.

**The Junior disco** (Years 3-6) is 6.45pm - 8pm at a cost of **£2**. The Junior disco will be selling refreshments:

Cartons of drink - 30p

Bottles of water - 50p

Crisps - 50p

Bag of sweets 30p

The Infant disco parents may use the school yard for parking. The junior disco parents are to use the bus gate to enter and at 8pm may use the school yard for parking.

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**Own Clothes Day**

Next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February is Own Clothes day. Please bring £1 to wear your own clothes. The money collected will be used to purchase further Ipads for the school. So far, 6 additional Ipads have been bought with money raised this year. A super achievement. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

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**Visit from St Joseph's Welsh Ambassadors**

On Tuesday year 6 pupils are being visited by a number of St Joseph's Welsh Ambassadors who plan to teach an exciting interactive Welsh lesson. We look forward to working with these ambassadors many of whom are ex St Mary's pupils.

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**Next week's Learning Power of the Week**

We have been introducing 'Learning Powers' each week in assembly. Our Learning Powers make us superheroes in our learning and help us to improve. Our first Learning Power was 'Be Curious' and our second Learning Power was 'Don't Give Up'. This week's Learning Power is 'Concentrate'. We watched a clip showing the Cookie Monster trying his best to concentrate and what happened when he didn't. Each week the teachers will choose 2 children from each class to receive Headteacher's Awards for showing our Learning Powers. Good luck pawb and remember, always try to be a superhero in your learning!

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**Reception screenings**

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February the School Nurse will be in school to carry out the Reception children's screenings (height, weight, vision and hearing screening) for the children who have returned their consent forms.

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**Next Week's assembly-**

The ECO TEAM will be leading the whole school assembly about plastic.

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**Next Week – Reward Slip Draw**

We will be announcing the winners of the February Reward slip draw in assembly next week. Good luck everyone!

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**School Grounds**

Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst the Council are continuing to deal with the vermin we have on site. We have set up a further cordon outside the reception back door as a precaution and are continuing to follow the Council's advice and guidance with the situation and have been assured that there is no danger to staff or children. Thank you for your continued support.

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**THESE ARE THE CONFIRMED TEACHER TRAINING/ INSET DAYS 2018/2019**

**(No School for children on these days)**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

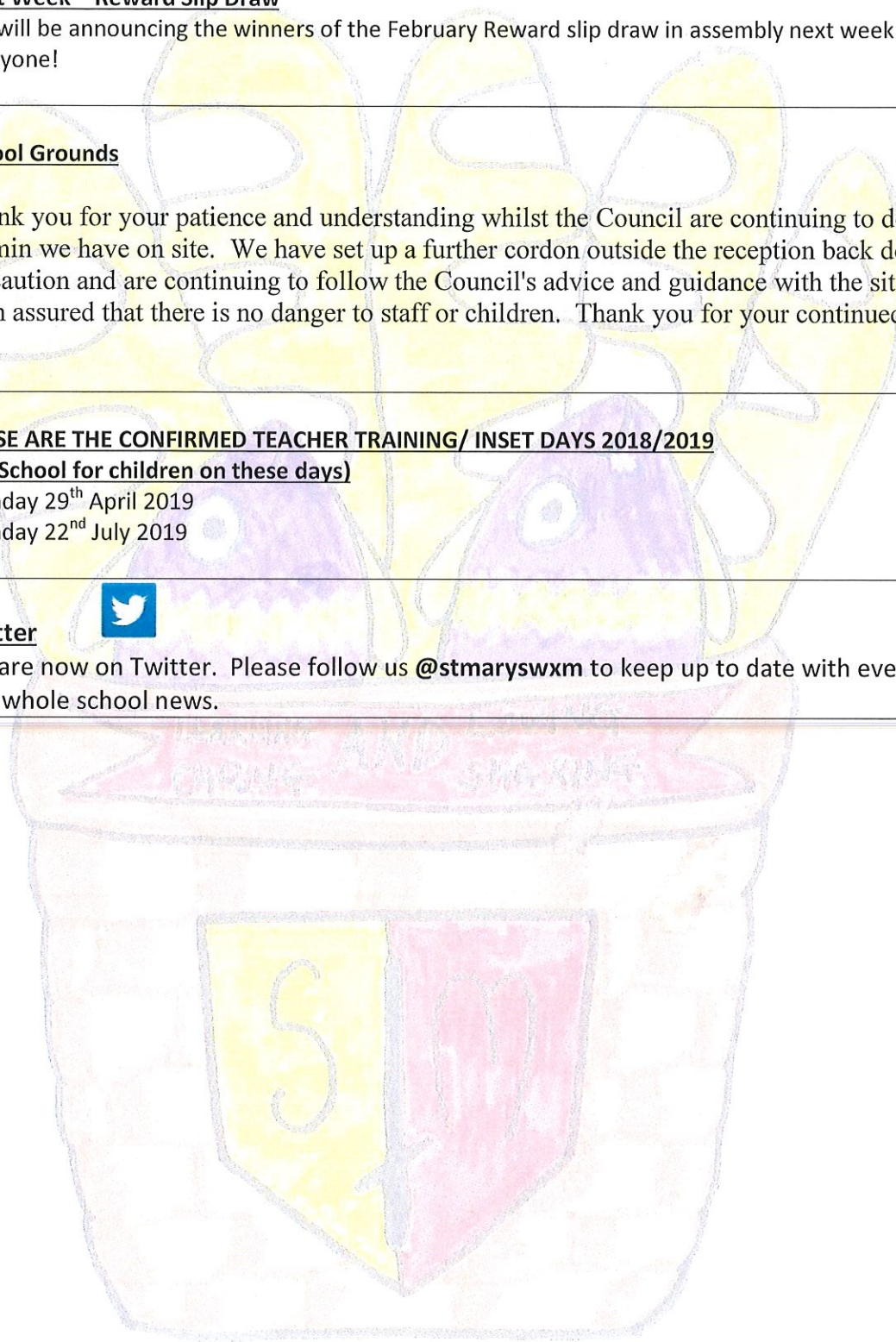
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**Twitter**

We are now on Twitter. Please follow us [@stmaryswxm](https://twitter.com/stmaryswxm) to keep up to date with events, activities and whole school news.

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Awesome Attendance!



Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019

The Foundation Phase Attendance Award this week has been presented to:

Owls Class  100%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!






Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019





The Key Stage 2 Attendance Award this week has been presented to:

Clywedog Class  99.2%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Foundation Phase Classes	
Stork	91.3%
Swan	91.6%
Parrot	95.2%
Penguin	95.2%
Owls	100% 
Wrens	92.5%
Sparrows	97.3% 
Robins	96.2% 

Key Stage 2 Classes	
Taff	93.3%
Clywedog	99.2% 
Alyn	98.1% 
Conwy	94.2%
Dovey	96% 
Gwenfro	98.4% 
Dyfrdwy	93.9%
Gwaun	76.4%

Well done to those classes who have achieved or exceeded our school target of 96%!



*R. Jones*