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**Pope Francis' Thought for the Day**



May the Lord give us the grace of memory and of hope, in order to go forward with perseverance on the journey of our life

**Welsh Words/Phrases**

Croeso – Welcome/you are welcome

Bore da – Good morning

Pnawn da – Good afternoon

Nos da – Good night

## Welsh Government School Categorisation

### Green support schools



Highly effective schools  
Track record in sustaining a high level of learner outcomes  
Demonstrate resilience at all levels  
Challenged to move towards or sustain excellence



Once again, we are very proud to announce that we have sustained the **GREEN** categorisation for the fifth consecutive year. A huge thank you to all staff, pupils, parents and governors for all your hard work, dedication and support. We are one of only 17 schools in Wrexham to be a 'green school'. This is a fantastic achievement and recognition of a wonderful team! Diolch o galon!



### Internet Safety Day

On Tuesday, we celebrated Safer Internet Day. All children took part in class and year group based activities to learn how to stay safe online. Over the next couple of weeks, the Digital Champions will be delivering an Internet Safety assembly to parents. We hope you will be able to join us. More details to follow.



### Glan Llyn – Year 5

If your child is going to Glan Llyn please ensure they return their Health Forms as soon as possible and the balance for the trip needs to be paid by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019. Thank you.



### Changes to gate opening times

As a school, we have a responsibility to ensure that all children are in school on time and ready to begin lessons as soon as possible. I am sure that you have all received your email regarding a further tightening of gate opening and closing times. I respectfully ask all parents to adhere to the safeguarding arrangements enclosed within that email.

Please see the summary of the revised gate opening / closing times below. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.



	BUS GATE	LEA ROAD GATE	LEA ROAD GATE NURSERY	TOP BLOCK GATE	DRIVE GATE
AM-Open	Sion-8:20am	Sion-8:40am	Mrs Nunes -11:25pm	Sion-7:40am	Sion-7:30am
AM-Close	Mrs Acton-9:00am	Sion-9:00am	Mrs Nunes -11:40pm	Sion-9:00am	Sion-9:00am
PM-Open	Bus Duty staff-3:15pm	Sion-2:55pm	Mrs Nunes - 12:20pm	Sion-3:10pm	Sion-3:30pm
PM-Close	Bus Duty staff-3:40pm	Sion-6:00pm	Mrs Nunes-12:35pm	Sion-5:45pm	Sion-6:30pm

#### Welsh Music Day

All the children in the school voted for their favourite song out of 5 contemporary Welsh songs and this kick started a welsh music awareness in the school. **For parents information** there is a free music festival in Ty Pawb tomorrow – Saturday, starting at 10am. Parents are welcome to go along and enjoy Welsh music – free entry.

#### Y4 Archaeology Workshops

The children enjoyed finding out about the past through a variety of hands on activities. The children became archaeologists and excavated artefacts to identify.

*'An interesting and fun workshop. We enjoyed finding out about the past'. Ola and Sofia*

#### Y3 Museum Trip

The children had a brilliant time and were very well behaved. They got to try on Roman costumes and look at the artefacts within the Museum and got to dissect some Roman pool!



#### Years 1 and 2 Chester Zoo Trip

Year 1 and 2 children went to Chester Zoo yesterday and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They saw all the animals and were extremely tired by the end of the day! The children were very well behaved as usual.



### Headteacher Awards

NAME	REASON
Rosie	For having an excellent attitude to all their studies
Abigail	
Alfie	
Susie	For planning and delivering an outstanding collective worship
Lois	
Dylan	
Mari	
Samantha	
Carys	
Aaron	
Weronika	



**Forthcoming School Council and Eco Meetings**  
**School Council - 8<sup>th</sup> February**

**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



### **Twitter**

We are now on Twitter. Please follow us **@stmaryswxm** to keep up to date with events, activities and whole school news.





**Awesome Attendance!**



**Week Beginning 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

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

**Wrens Class**  **99%**

**Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!**






**Week Beginning 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019**






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


**Dovey Class**  **98%**

**Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!**



Foundation Phase Classes	
Stork	91.3%
Swan	89.5%
Parrot	94.6%
Penguin	94%
Owls	96.5% 
Wrens	99% 
Sparrows	96.6% 
Robins	94.2%

Key Stage 2 Classes	
Taff	90.1%
Clywedog	97% 
Alyn	96.2% 
Conwy	97.1% 
Dovey	98% 
Gwenfro	96% 
Dyfrdwy	92.9%
Gwaun	92.4%

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

*R. Jones*