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ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**



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Pope Francis' Thought for the Day



May the Holy Spirit lead us to live more fully as children of God and as brothers and sisters.

**Welsh Words/Phrases
From the
'Cryw Cymraeg'**



Dw i'n hoffi dydi

I like your



Well Done

To Evan who has graduated from Tae Kwon-Do to a yellow stripe belt. Austeja has been granted recognition as 5th Kup Green Belt in Tae Kwon-Do. Gracjan has graduated to yellow striped belt in Tae Kwon-Do. Ivy Asher has received a certificate for 9th Kup White Belt in Tae Kwon-Do. Nikodem has received his blue belt in Tae Kwon-Do.



ESTYN INSPECTION

As previously advised, Estyn are visiting us on 1st - 4th July to conduct a whole school inspection. May I thank you all for taking the time to complete the parents' questionnaires. The KS 2 children, teachers and support staff were also required to complete questionnaires as part of the process.

As a school, we are always striving to do our very best for all our children and their families and look forward to sharing our progress to date with the inspectors.

I am very privileged to work with such an excellent team of staff in such a wonderful school with wonderful children and supportive parents and welcome any support or advice as to how we can continue to make further improvements for the benefit of our whole school community.

Please keep us all in your prayers. Diolch o galon.



Queensway Sports

St Mary's athletics team competed in the Wrexham Schools' Athletics competition at Queensway Sports Stadium. All our pupils competed with a real determination and behaved beautifully. The team came runner up by just 2 points in the large schools group. There were many individual success though

4 out of 8 relay teams won.

Trinesh Year 6 - Wrexham Schools overall throwing champion

Zoja Year 6 - Wrexham Schools overall high jump champion and 100m sprint champion

Amy Year 5 - Wrexham Schools 80m sprint champion

John Year 6 - Wrexham School 100m sprint 2nd place

Kacper Year 5 - Wrexham schools 80m sprint champion

Harry Year 6 - runner up high jump

Nikolas Year 6 - 3rd 800m.

Just to put these results into context, they are out of every school in the Wrexham area, over 40 schools. An incredible achievement.

Special praise and thanks should go to Grace and Nicki Year 6 as team managers. They ran the team from the permission letters to coordinating the team all day. Superb girls. Well done!



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Diocesan Sports in Colwyn Bay

I cannot tell you how proud we were of all our super athletes yesterday. They were absolutely amazing and competed with such confidence and resilience and were so supportive of each other. It was a real pleasure to share in the children's success.

We won:

Lower school girls

Lower school boys

Upper school girls

Upper school boys

And we took the overall school winners trophy for the second year in succession. Our pupils never cease to amaze and inspire us.

Reward Slip draw

Today is our final Reward slip draw as the School Council have a very exciting, new idea for us to adopt. In assembly, today they told us that they had discussed the effectiveness of our Reward slips at their last meeting. They decided that they wanted to improve the system.

School Council: We are introducing the new reward slip which is now called The Rainbow Ticket. These tickets are given out for using our learning powers and we will be doing a draw once a month.

Reward Slip Winners for April and May are



Kacper



Nicola



Snoor and Lily



Year 4 Techniquest and Museum Sleepover

A very big thank you to Mrs Natalie Jones for taking Y4 Conwy to Techniquest and the Museum sleepover in the absence of Mrs Rhodes-Leader last night. Sadly Mrs Rhodes- Leader's husband was taken ill so she was unable to attend. We keep them in our prayers and wish him a speedy recovery.

The children had a fantastic time making Roman mosaics, torchlight treasure hunt and other activities. Once again the children's behaviour was exemplary and despite what they might tell you they were all sound asleep and snoring by 12.30a, - including Miss Trawally!

Year 6 Diocesan Mass

On Wednesday, Miss Gillett, Mrs Chapman, Mrs Trawally, our Year 6 children and I went to St Mary's Cathedral to join our family of Diocesan schools where Bishop Peter celebrated our Y6 leavers' Mass. It was a lovely celebration of our time in primary school and an opportunity to look forward to the next step in our educational journey. We were all joined by our parish priests and some special visitors including Mrs Liz Davies (Foundation and Vice Chair of Governors.) Thank you to playgroup for allowing us to use the hall to have a shared picnic lunch. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

NEXT WEEKEND!!!!!!

St Mary's Summer Fair 2019

Date: Saturday 29th June

Time: 11am -2pm

Venue: School Junior Yard

Lots of fun stalls and activities...

e.g.Slime Station, New2U stall, cake stall, chocolate/ bottle tombola, face painting and tattoos, hair braiding, donkey rides, ice cream van, Chinese raffle, Beat the Goalie, Splat the Rat, BBQ and lots more...

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SINGING SQUAD will be performing

If any parents/ friends of the school wish to hire a stall at the Summer Fair for their own business, please contact the school office. £15 per stall

If any parents are available to help on the day please contact school and we can pass your details on to Mrs O'Connor, Chair of The Friends. Thank you.

Y6 Transition - Rocket Week

Next week our year 6 children will be going to St Joseph's as part of a the rocket week transition project. They will be doing a series of activities to help them with their transition to secondary school. Children must come to St Mary's first to be registered and then our staff will walk them over to St Joseph's and bring them back to St Mary's for the end of the school day. Please DO NOT take them directly to St Joseph's. They must wear full school uniform – no trainers and if they are having a school dinner then please send the money with them to school or a packed lunch.



Transition day- Ready for September 2019

Next Thursday 27th June is the day when all children from Nursery to Year 6 visit their new class for a morning. We look forward to finding out who will be teaching us and which class we will be moving to.

Staffing Changes for September		
Am Nursery/ Reception-Penguins Teacher- Mrs N Jones	Am Nursery/ Reception-Parrots Teacher- Mrs C Hall	Am Nursery/ Reception-Puffins Teacher- Mrs C Myers
TAs- Mrs G Davies/ Mrs J Gledhill/ Miss M A O'Connell/ Mrs F Nunes/ Vacancy		
Pm Reception- Mrs N Jones/ Mrs G Davies (Senior TA)		Pm Reception- Mrs C Hall/ Mrs A Hack
Year 1- Miss K Wright/ Mrs B Talkowska		Year 1- Mrs Rachel Roberts (new teacher)/ Mrs S Williams
Year 2- Miss S Davies/ Mrs S Robinson		Year 2- Miss Zoe Maddock (new teacher)/ Mrs S Robinson
Year 3- Mrs R Edwards/ Mrs J Stratford		Year 3- Mrs E Astbury/ Mrs J Stratford
Year 4- Mrs R Worsnip (0.6) Mrs S Chapman (0.4)/ Mr D McGuire		Year 4- Mrs E Wilkinson/ Mr D McGuire
Year 5- Mrs M Sinclair/ Mrs N Trawally		Year 5- Mrs L Robertson/ Mrs N Trawally
Year 6- Mr K O'Toole/ Mrs N Trawally		Year 6- Miss H Gillett/ Mrs N Trawally

ALN/ Support staff

Mrs R Williams (ALN Coordinator)
Mrs L Shaw (0.4) / Mrs Myers (pms/ SMT cover)
Mrs Echlin (0.5)
Mrs S Hough (1:1)
Mrs C Hughes (1:1)
Mrs A Owens (1:1)
Miss O Hughes (1:1)

Sadly, Mrs Schoonjans, Miss Edwards, Mrs Rhodes Leader and Mrs Morgan will be leaving at the end of the school year. Mrs Schoonjans is retiring after over 20 years in St Mary's, Miss Edwards has a new position in Hafod Y Wern School and Mrs Rhodes Leader and Mrs Morgan's contracts both come to an end at the end of the school year. We will miss all of these wonderful teachers greatly and pray for them at this time of transition in their lives.

As you can see from the table above, Mrs Worsnip will be returning to work from maternity leave ready to start the new school year. She is due to come back to work from Wednesday 17th July. We look forward to welcoming her back to St Mary's.

THESE ARE THE CONFIRMED TEACHER TRAINING/ INSET DAYS 2018/2019 **(No School for children on these days)**

Monday 22nd July 2019

INSET DAYS FOR 2019-20

Monday 2nd September 2019

Friday 25th October 2019

Monday 6th January 2020

Monday 20th April 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

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.



Awesome Attendance!



Week Beginning 10th June 2019

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

Sparrows Class



99.2%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Week Beginning 10th June 2019

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

Taff Class



100%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Foundation Phase Classes		
Stork	95.7%	
Swan	89.5%	
Parrot	89%	
Penguin	95.7%	
Owls	98.4%	😊
Wrens	95.2%	
Sparrows	99.2%	😊
Robins	97.8%	😊

Key Stage 2 Classes		
Taff	100%	🎉😊
Clywedog	95.2%	
Alyn	93.5%	
Conwy	96.5%	😊
Dovey	93.1%	
Gwenfro	98.4%	😊
Dyfrdwy	87.1%	
Gwaun	86.8%	

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

R. Jones