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**YSGOL GYNRADD Y SANTES FAIR  
ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

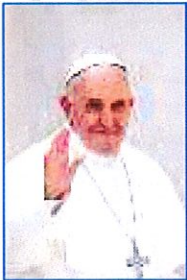


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20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Pope Francis' Thought for the Day**



Every human project can first be approved and then end up shipwrecked. But everything that comes from above and bears the 'signature' of God is destined to last.



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



### **Nursery Open Morning Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 10.45am**

If your child will be age 3 by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 and you would like them to be educated in a Catholic School, we will be having an open morning on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 10.45am. If you would like any information regarding the open morning, telephone us on 01978 352406. Please pass this information to friends or family or on social media to anyone who you think may be interested. Thank you.



### **Attendance**

If your child is ill, please either use the ParentMail facility to record your child's absence or ring school/leave a message before 8.30am on each day of their absence. The only appointments permitted during the school day are hospital, orthodontist, emergency dental or emergency doctors appointments. As soon as you receive a letter with the date of the appointment, please could this be brought to the school office to be copied and entered into the register and also for inspection by the Educational Social Worker. All routine dentist, doctors appointments etc are only to be made during the school holidays or after school.

If your child is late in the morning and all doors/gates are locked then please report to the office with your child to complete a late slip form. These forms are inspected by the Educational Social Worker during his half termly visits.

Your co-operation in these matters is very much appreciated.



### **Mass of Celebration**

Today, Canon Simon Treloar celebrated the first Mass of the new school year in school which was dedicated to David Lord VC, a former pupil at St Mary's. Our year 6 children led the Mass beautifully and it was a wonderful service to start the year as a whole school community. Diolch yn fawr iawn pawb.



### **Remembering David Lord VC**

Yesterday, Mrs Jones, Mr O'Toole, Canon Simon and I attended a short service to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary to the day of the death of Flight Lieutenant David Lord VC, who was a former pupil of St Mary's and who was killed during the Battle of Arnham. It was an honour pay tribute to such a brave and valiant pilot and wonderful to see the unveiling of a new information plaque at the entrance of the town's Memorial Hall as well as watching an RAF A400M plane fly past as a mark of respect.



### **School Council Voting**

On Monday the School Council and Eco elections will take place in the junior hall where it will be set up like an election with voting booths. During the week staff will do the 'big count' and the results will be revealed on Friday during assembly and certificates presented to those elected. We are hoping the Mayor will be able to join us for the assembly on Friday when the children are elected.

### **Make Some Noise Workshops**

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm a band from the Wrexham Music Co-operative will be visiting the school to speak to years 2 – 6. The band will be playing and the children will have the opportunity to ask any questions regarding playing musical instruments in school.

### **Wrexham Music Co-operative**

This year the Wrexham Music Co-operative will be taking over the running of the music lessons in school with regards to the payment of lessons and timetables. We are currently awaiting more information/letters from them then hopefully the children who wish to either continue with their lessons or start learning an instrument can begin their lessons shortly. As soon as we receive any more information we will let you know.



### **KS2 Mad Science**

Last Monday morning Turbo Tom from Mad Science bounced into our junior hall and delivered a fun, educational and interactive session all about the science of sport and movement. He used the Rugby World Cup to kickstart his session. He explained how athletes/sports people train their bodies and he even recreated the Olympic flame 🔥 which proved to be very exciting. A superb morning was had by all.

### **Yr 3 Museum Trip**

#### **Taff**

Year 3 had a wonderful experience of being a world war 2 evacuee this week. We were met by Mrs Cross at the Wrexham General Train Station where she explained that 6000 evacuees were sent to Wrexham during the war. She marched us to the museum where pupils experienced hands on activities including going into an Anderson shelter. A great trip!

#### **Clywedog**

As part of year 3's Helping Hands topic 'What can the elderly remember from their past?' the children visited Wrexham Museum to experience what life was like as an evacuee in WW2. They were able to view artefacts, learn about their lifestyles eg rationing etc and re-enact air raid drills.



### **Wrexham Recycling Centre Visit**

Dosbarth Alyn had a great morning at the education room in Wrexham recycling centre. We learned how to sort household rubbish correctly and participated in different activities. They were very impressed with our knowledge on plastic pollution and congratulated us about being nationwide winners of the Sky Ocean Rescue Challenge.

First Rainbow Slip Draw of the Year- NEXT WEEK

## **POST INSPECTION PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING**

**FOUNDATION PHASE (YEARS 1 & 2) WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 6PM**

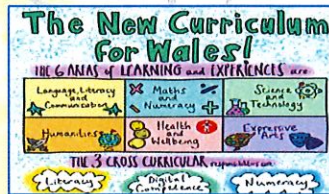
**KEY STAGE 2 (YEARS 3-6) THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 6PM**



### **FIND OUT WHAT ESTYN SAID...**

- ✓ **HOW ARE THE CHILDREN KEY PARTNERS IN PLANNING THE CURRICULUM?**
- ✓ **HOW DO CHILDREN MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR OWN LEARNING?**
- ✓ **HOW DO CHILDREN DEVELOP AS AMBITIOUS. CAPABLE AND INDEPENDENT LEARNERS?**
- ✓ **WHAT MAKES CHILDREN'S PROGRESS EXCELLENT?**
- ✓ **HOW DO CHILDREN TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN A WIDE RANGE OF EFFECTIVE PUPIL VOICE GROUPS?**

- ✓ WHAT MAKES SUCH A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE CHILDREN'S SELF-ESTEEM AND ENTHUSIASM FOR LEARNING?
- ✓ HOW HAS THE SCHOOL CREATED AN INNOVATIVE NEW CURRICULUM THAT ENGAGES ALL CHILDREN AND STAFF?



**PLEASE COME ALONG. WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO SHARE IN OUR JOURNEY** 🤗

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**PC Ellis Y6**

PC Ellis will be holding workshops for year 6 on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September. She will be speaking to them about internet safety.



**Rugby World Cup**

To mark the start of Wales' first match in the rugby world cup against Georgia on Monday we are having a dress red for Wales day. The match starts at 11.15 and we are hoping to film a short video which we will send to the Welsh team to wish them good luck.



**Headteacher Awards**

NAME	CLASS	REASON
Akheno Katherine	Dovey	For lovely work about Maximilian Kobe
Sion	Dovey	For working confidently during maths
Max	Gwenfro	For always using his learning power 'I have a go'
Sofia	Gwenfro	Fantastic research about Hurricane Dorian



**Queries or Concerns**

As always, staff are always happy to discuss any concerns or queries that you may have. It is always best to make an appointment to speak to a teacher via the Reception Office. We will be only too happy to help.

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

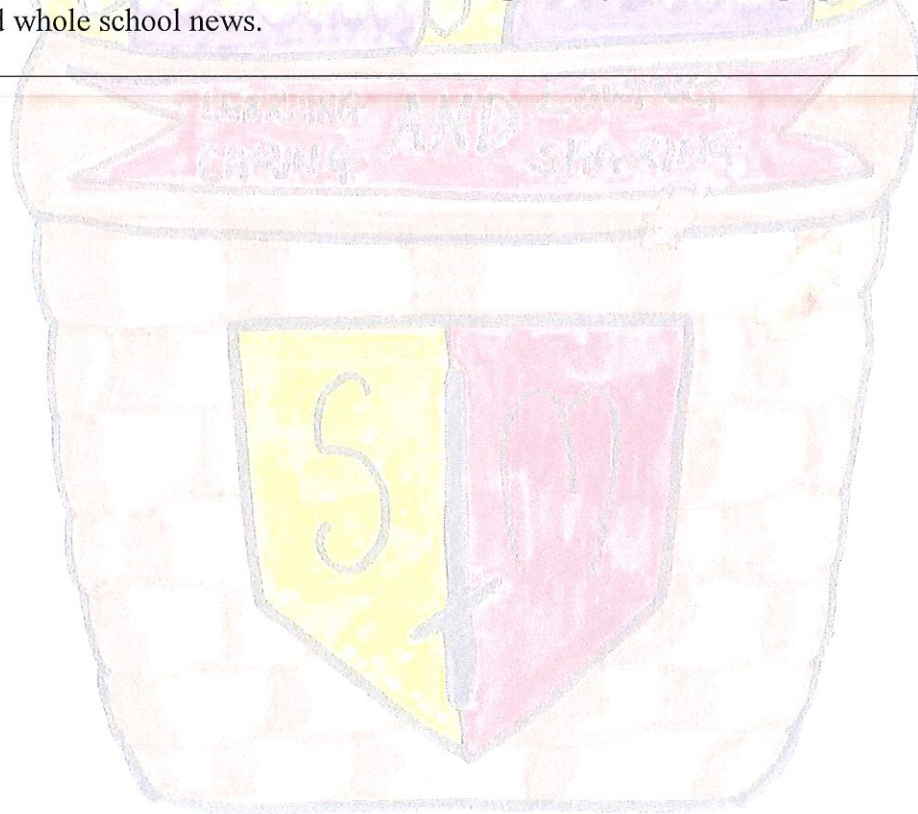
**INSET DAYS FOR 2019-20**

- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 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 9th September 2019

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

Puffins Class



99.5%%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Week Beginning 9th September 2019

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

Conwy Class



99.6%

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Foundation Phase Classes		
Puffins	99.5%	😊
Parrot	91.6%	
Penguin	96.3%	😊
Owls	94.7%	
Wrens	98.1%	😊
Sparrows	93.6%	
Robins	97.8%	😊

Key Stage 2 Classes		
Taff	99.2%	😊
Clywedog	93.3%	
Alyn	99.1%	😊
Conwy	99.6%	😊
Dovey	93.3%	
Gwenfro	93.6%	
Dyfrdwy	98.5%	😊
Gwaun	94.8%	

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

*R. Jones*