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Pope Francis' Thought for the Day



The world needs you. Never forget that! The Lord needs you, so that you can encourage all those people around us who are looking for a helping hand to lift them up.



Welsh Words/Phrases From the 'Cryw Cymraeg'

Wyt ti'n barod?

Are you ready?

Ydw

Yes

Nag ydw

No



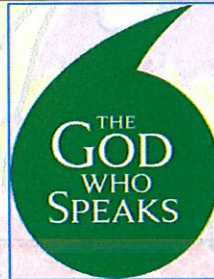
Well Done

To Kieran who received a 'Man of the Match' award.



Children's Christmas Eve Mass in Llay--

If there are any children who would like to take part in the Christmas Eve Mass in St Francis of Assisi Church in Llay, please let Mrs Acton know. We need volunteers who would like to join the lantern procession to the crib, read bidding prayers, take part in the offertory and to distribute sweets after Mass. Diolch yn fawr iawn.



This Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent

and the launch of 'The God Who Speaks' -the Year of the Word. This initiative focuses on celebrating, living and sharing God's word throughout the Catholic Church.

As a school, we will be embracing this wonderful opportunity to grow in our faith and understanding of the scriptures together. More information to follow.



Shared Class Parish family Mass

On Tuesday, Dosbarth Robins and Dosbarth Alyn attended the weekday Mass within the Cathedral parish. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents who joined us at Mass and the welcome from the parishioners was lovely! A big thank you the Canon Simon Treloar and Deacon Michael and to all children who participated to make the Mass such a beautiful celebration. Diolch pawb.

Australian Students Visit

It was lovely to welcome our friends from Australia again this week. They visited classes throughout the school and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

ALN Coffee Morning

Thank you to the parents who attended the ALN coffee morning this week with Mrs Williams. We look forward to seeing you at the regular coffee mornings we will be holding.

Indoor athletics



Well done to our athletics team who came 2nd overall in the indoor athletics competition in Plas Madoc yesterday. The children performed really well and were a credit to the school! The following quotes are from the children who took part.

I was proud to be a part of it – Sion

I was happy to take part in the athletics and our school was amazing, we placed 2nd – Kacper

I am very proud of my school, we did so well – Izzy

It was my first time and it was super – Jakub

Coverdale Puppets

Coverdale Puppets will be visiting school on Monday at 2.30pm. Coverdale Puppets come to school every year to give the children an entertaining puppet show which we are sure will be as enjoyable this year as it has always been!



Christmas Concert Tickets

From Monday 18th November you may request another slip to order any extra tickets that may be available. There are still a few tickets available for some of the performances. Please speak to the office to receive the slip.

Friends' Film Night

The Friends Film Night will be taking place on Thursday 5th December 5 – 7pm for children from Nursery to Year 6. All booking form slips should have been returned today Friday 29th November to enable the Friends to buy the refreshments.



Santa's Grotto

During the last week of term, Santa has kindly agreed to visit St Mary's school so that children will be able to meet him after school in our grotto in the library. He has such a busy schedule that he has been unable to confirm exactly which days he is available yet, but as soon as he gets in touch with us, we will send a letter for you to book a session with him. Thank you for your patience!

Wales Today BBC1 Wales 6pm

There will be an announcement on Wales Today at 6pm regarding a national award.

November Rainbow Slip draw



Sorry everyone! We will carry this forward to next week due to the Year 1 & 2 dress rehearsals. One more week to earn lots of rainbow slips!!

Headteacher of the Year Nomination

We are proud to announce that Mrs Acton has been nominated for a Professional Teaching Award Cymru (Welsh Government) - Headteacher of the Year Award. Pob lwc Mrs Acton!!



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

INSET DAYS FOR 2019-20

Monday 6th January 2020

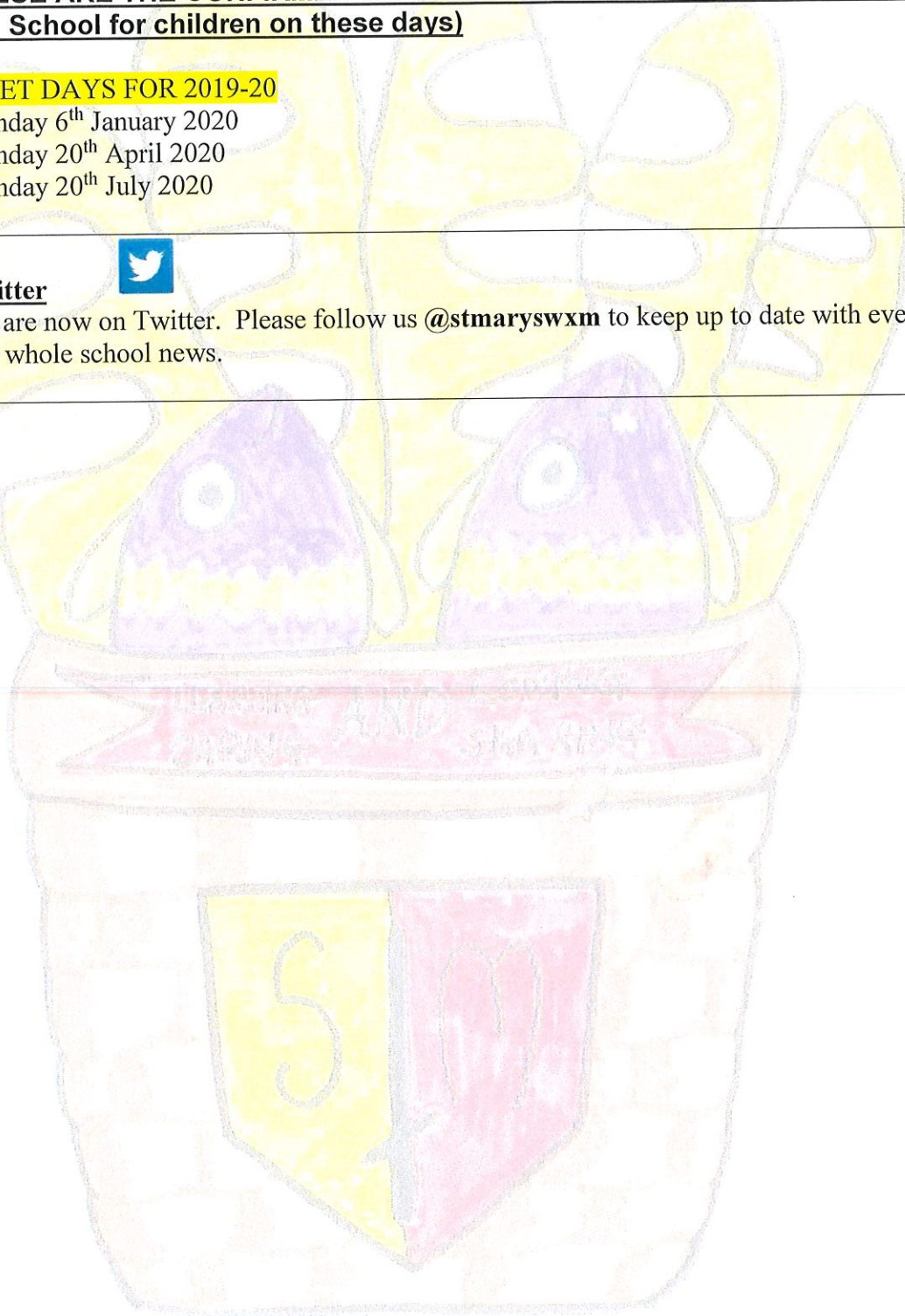
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Twitter

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.



Awesome Attendance!

Week Beginning 18th November 2019

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

Sparrows Class  **99.2%**

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Week Beginning 18th November 2019

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

Taff Class  **100%**

Llongyfarchiadau – Congratulations!



Foundation Phase Classes	
Puffins	93.2%
Parrot	91.6%
Penguin	94.4%
Owls	97.9% 😊
Wrens	96% 😊
Sparrows	99.2% 😊
Robins	99.1% 😊
Overall FP Average attendance	95.91%

Key Stage 2 Classes	
Taff	100% 🎉
Clywedog	97% 😊
Alyn	98.3% 😊
Conwy	99.2% 😊
Dovey	97.5% 😊
Gwenfro	98.4% 😊
Dyfrdwy	98.1% 😊
Gwaun	95.2%
Overall KS 2 Average attendance	98%

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



R. Jones