

Friday/Dydd Gwener 15.10.21

Reminders

- School will be closed for an INSET day on Friday next week. We will break up for half-term on Thursday 21st October and return on Monday 1st November. All of our staff will be attending a retreat with staff from St Francis Catholic School led by Fr Matt Roche-Saunders. Our next INSET day will be held on Friday 17th December. Pupils will break up for the Christmas holidays on Thursday 16th December.

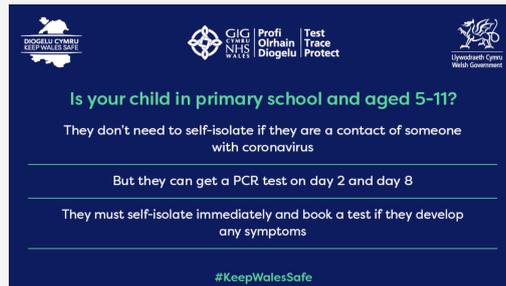


BSL Enrichment Activity

On Wednesday, Mr Anthony Evans, a past pupil of Mary Immaculate, visited our school. Mr Evans translates the First Minister's messages on the BBC for people who benefit from seeing British Sign Language (BSL). The children were in awe as they watched Mr Evans translate our First Ministers' speech, you could've heard a pin drop in our KS2 assembly! He also visited each foundation phase class, he spoke about his work and the children had an opportunity to ask him some really insightful questions. It was such a unique and engaging experience for our learners. Please look out for our first ministers speech on Twitter. We look forward to working with Mr Evans in the future.

COVID

We kindly ask that you wear a face-covering when on the school site. The Covid cases within our area are increasing and we are doing all that we can to stop the transmission further. Visitors who come into the school building must also wear a face-covering. If your child is in contact with someone who tests positive for Covid, they do not need to self-isolate unless they develop symptoms.



Punctuality

Please ensure that your child arrives on time in the morning. Arriving late disrupts the class who have started their learning and means that your child will have missed out on the introduction to lessons. You will be asked to sign the late book from now on to inform our meetings with the Education Welfare Officer.

Attendance

Due to the case rates rising in the Haverfordwest area, I have decided not to publish the attendance figures until after half term, or until the situation settles down and we can return to usual practices.

Wythnos Gymraeg

This week we have been brysur iawn (very busy) with Wythnos Gymraeg in school. The children have been thinking and talking about what is special to them in our local area under the theme of 'Cynefin'. Pupils have had llawer o hwyl (lots of fun) celebrating Shwmae Day. They have participated in lots of exciting activities to promote speaking Welsh including an online quiz against other schools, making mocktails and creating new superheroes. They looked fantastic dressed as superheroes and in their Welsh colours - we felt very safe with so many Avengers on site! We'd like to encourage you at home to start every conversation this weekend with Shwmae!



TenTen

Please find latest TenTen parents' newsletter below:
<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Friends

The Friends would like to announce the winners for August & September 200 club:

August

£30 - Pat Earley
£20 - Helena Blair
£10 - Ann Soper

September

£30 - Angela Puffett
£20 - Anabel Street
£10 - Benjamin Lovell

Please contact the school office to claim your prize!

RSE

Dosbarth Little Haven
'Feelings, Likes and Dislikes.'
Children will realise that we all have different feelings at different times, and different likes and dislikes too.

Dosbarth Marloes
'I am Unique' Helping pupils to remember that they're all special because they are made and loved by God.

Dosbarth Newgale,
'We don't have to be the same'
Similarities and differences between people arise as they grow and make choices, and that by living and working together we create community

Dosbarth Druidston,
'Respecting our bodies.'

Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Solva	Penelope Dyer “For having a positive attitude to all areas of her learning.”	Dosbarth Newgale	Lena Modrzynska “For sharing such positivity and enthusiasm towards her Welsh learning.”
Dosbarth Amroth	Ruby Crymlis “For always showing what makes an ambitious and capable learner.”	Dosbarth Druidston	Oscar Hudgell “For an exceptional effort with his work.”
Dosbarth Little Haven	Norah Haworth “For a fantastic attitude to all of her learning, especially challenging herself with her maths work this week.”	Dosbarth Whitesands	Lillia Symmonds “For her enthusiasm, positivity and contributing well to class discussions.”
Dosbarth Marloes	Kyanu Wiseman “For his enthusiasm in all of his learning this week.”	Dosbarth Abereddy	Connor Venables “For showing great resilience in maths this week.”

Ioan Daly and Aoife Curtis

“For a fantastic, very professional presentation as First Minister. A great role model for our children - diolch. Ardderchog Aoife a Ioan, da iawn chi!”

Dear Jesus,

**When things seem impossible,
you make them possible!**

**Send your Holy Spirit to guide us
and give us the gift of courage.**

Amen



This half-term, we will be focusing on the Catholic Pupil Profile Virtues:

Learned and Wise

Learned in the way in which we try our best at school and learn about God and **wise** in our words, choices, decisions and the way we choose to live our lives.'

We can be **learned** in our studies and share our **wisdom** with others. Everybody has their own unique interests and talents. For this virtue, think about how you can maybe deepen your own wisdom by learning a new skill or by sharing a pre-existing talent with others. Perhaps you can teach your family members some Welsh or try learning a few simple phrases from another language!
Pob Lwc!

To

acquire

wisdom

is to love yourself;

people who cherish understanding

will

prosper.

(Proverbs 19:8)



Cutting Conflict



Learned & Wise

Cwestiwn yr Wythnos



Shwmae, ble wyt ti'n hoffi mynd?

Shwmae, ble wyt ti'n hoffi mynd?

Dw i'n hoffi'r castell
traeth parc dref
.....achos...

mae'n gyffrous,
hwyl, hardd,
ddiddorol.

Hi, where do you like going?

I like going to the. castle, beach, park, town because...

It is exciting, fun, beautiful, interesting.



Cân Wythnos Gymraeg



'Helo, Shwmae' – Cyw



Every fortnight our Criw Cymraeg will be choosing a new song to listen to around the school. This week as it is Wythnos Gymraeg we have a special song to celebrate! Scan the QR code to listen and join in at home. Mwynhewch!



Flu Vaccination 2021

Flu (also known as influenza) can be serious and having a flu vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and others.

Those most at risk from flu are also the most vulnerable to COVID-19 and we want to do all we can to help protect everyone this coming winter. We will aim to continue to support the NHS by; providing opportunity for all staff to receive a season flu vaccination and by promoting the public health "Beat Flu" infection prevention and control campaign.

How do I arrange my vaccine?

Option 1: NHS Priority Groups

If you meet the criteria outlined below you should request vaccination via your GP or Community Pharmacy: The priority groups for 2021-22 are as follows; children aged two or three years on 31 August 2021, children in primary school from reception class to Year 6 (inclusive) children in secondary school Year 7 to Year 11 (inclusive) **people aged 50 years and older (age on 31 March 2022)**. People aged six months to less than 50 years who are identified within the clinical risk groups. This year the NHS are extending the offer to those aged 16 years on 31 August who are morbidly obese. Pregnant women, Unpaid carers, people with a learning disability and all adults resident in Welsh prisons.

Option 2: Healthcare Workers

Flu vaccination is also encouraged for all **healthcare workers (including healthcare students) with direct patient contact, all staff who work in nursing homes and care homes and also staff who provide domiciliary care** – please speak to your line manager for more information and to request an authorisation letter.

Option 3: Boots Voucher

Boots Pharmacy Flu Vaccine Voucher – requested through Occupational Health via email: **please confirm on the request that you are not eligible for free vaccine as outlined within options 1 & 2 above and provide a mobile phone number or email address for the flu voucher to be sent direct to.**

Email address: fluvaccinationadmin2020@pembrokeshire.gov.uk



Please Note: Following recent communication from our Tax Consultants we **do not** encourage any staff member to pay for the vaccine and then reclaim via employee expenses due to this type of claim being subject to Tax / National Insurance deductions.

MAE FFLIW YN LLEDAENU'N HAWDD
FLU SPREADS EASILY



EI DDAL

defnyddiwch hancas bapur i ddal eich peswch neu disian



CATCH IT

use tissues to catch your cough or sneeze

EI DAFLU

taflwch eich hancas bapur cyn gynted â phosib



BIN IT

dispose of your tissue as soon as possible

EI DDIFA

glanhewch eich dwylo cyn gynted ag y gallwch



KILL IT

clean your hands as soon as you can

Gall ffliw fod yn ddifrifol iawn. Y ffordd orau o osgoi'r ffliw yw cael eich brechu.
www.curwchffliw.org

Flu can be very serious. The best way to avoid flu is to get vaccinated.
www.beatflu.org



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For more information or advice contact
Occupational Health
01437 775318 / 01437 776192

Additional Information and Resources
are available at:

[Public Health Wales Beat Flu](#)

[Flu - Information and Resources](#)





Whether The Weather Will Rain Or Not?

Many people watch or listen to weather forecasts to help them plan or organise their days: a farmer might watch it to decide when to cut crops, a teacher to plan what footwear children need on a school trip, a joiner to plan whether to complete an indoor or outdoor task. But, how useful do you think it would be to know whether it will rain in the next two hours? New research suggests that AI (artificial intelligence) can now tell! Scientists at Google-owned London AI lab, DeepMind, and the University of Exeter have partnered with the Met Office to build the nowcasting system, which can make accurate short-term predictions. It is hoped the nowcasting system will help in adverse weather conditions such as storms and floods. Met Office partnerships and product innovation head, Niall Robinson, said: 'Extreme weather has

catastrophic consequences... and, as the effects of climate change suggest, these types of events are set to become more common.' So, although the system may not help us plan ahead, it could help people to stay safe and possibly even save lives!



Pictured: Heavy rainfall
Source: Canva

Rejected Then Rescued

Born in a travelling zoo in Siberia, panther, Luna, was sadly rejected by her mother at just 7 days old. A lady, living near to the zoo, who is known to be an expert in rehabilitating wild cats, agreed to take care of Luna. Being rejected by her mother at

such a young age meant Luna suffered some health problems and needed a huge amount of care. The woman became attached to Luna and decided to buy her from the zoo. Luna is now well and truly part of the family, even becoming friends with her dog, Venza. On 6th October, the pair came across their first snowfall this year. Their owner said: 'In Siberia, the weather is changeable, the sun shone in the morning, and it was almost hot, and a snowstorm hit at lunch. The panther Luna did not expect and is not at all happy about the cold but Venza is happy.' The healthy Luna has now become something of mega star in Russian and international social media. However, her owner prefers to remain anonymous for safety.



Pictured: Lunar and Venza (left, exploring their first snowfall of this year!)
Source: @luna_the_pantera



Making An Impact!

Over the summer, Year 2 pupil, Owen Skinner, wanted to do something to make a difference and have an impact. With a passion for reading and all things nature, Owen decided to challenge himself to read as many books as he could and raise money for the Borneo Nature Foundation. He read every single day and managed to read 15 books in total! For each, he wrote about it and gave it a star rating. One of Owen's inspirations for the project, explorer, presenter, naturalist and writer, Steve Blackshall, donated saying: 'Just wonderful! Thank-you for all you're doing and your wish to make the world a better place!'. Other authors made contact with Owen throughout his challenge. Professor Ben Garrod said: 'Owen, you're a legend! Good books provide insight, humour, knowledge and a view of the world you maybe didn't have before. So yeah, you may have

read some epic books (by some amazing peeps) this summer, but remember, they'll have helped shape you into the legend you are right now.' Owen raised over £300 for the Borneo Foundation, supporting their goal to plant 1-million trees, which will provide habitats for animals, local jobs, help further science research and have a positive impact on our environment. Well done Owen! If you think you have made an impact, it's not too late to enter the Picture News 2021 Impact Awards. Ask your teacher to email for an application form.



Pictured: Owen Skinner taking part in his reading challenge

Your thoughts on last week's news...

If public transport were cleaner, it would make me want to use it.
George – age 10

I would go on public transport more if they had loyalty cards. If you get 5 stamps you get a free ticket!
Bai – age 10



What was your opinion on this week's news? Visit our discussion area, found here:

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss
to share your thoughts!

I think that people would use more public transport if there was more comfort on transport and with more facilities for public to use such as more room, comfortable seats, warm buses and trains, that would also contribute for less people using cars and would help the environment.
Pedro – age 6

I think...



YOUR COMMENTS

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