# **Weekly Newsletter**

# Friday/Dydd Gwener 16.9.22

# **Reminders**

### **Autumn Term Newsletter**

Please find important information and dates on this link.

### **Break time snacks**

Please ensure your child snack is either a piece of fruit/veg/salad such as carrot sticks. We retained 'Healthy School Status' last year and the whole school, including the Department of Health and Wellbeing, worked hard towards the award. Thank you in advance for your support.



Diolch yn fawr to all those that attended our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions this week. It was such a pleasure to welcome you back into the classrooms after so long. There were a variety of messages shared including the timetables/rhythm of the day, the differences and similarities with the curriculum for Wales and how you can support your child's learning at home.

Please complete this <u>parent/carer questionnaire</u> to let us know your feedback.

# **Dosbarth Whitesands trip to Planatasia**

On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> September, Year 5 visited Plantasia in Swansea. This trip was chosen by our class at the end of last term as part of our topic work. It was a fantastic day. We got to hold a millipede, cockroach, snake, lizard and a giant African snail. My favourite was the snake because it felt cold around my neck! We had a walk around the indoor rainforest and saw lots of different creatures. It was very hot in there. There were meerkats, and we got to crawl under the meerkats and put our heads in a dome where they sat on the glass. There was also a giant glass dome with a beautiful water fountain. There were lots of activities on the way around which helped us to find out about what the creatures ate, also where and how they lived.

Reported by Morgan Coomer, Department of Communication

# **Candelas Gig for Dosabrth Abereiddy**

On Thursday 16th September, Year 6 went to a gig at the Queens Hall in Narberth to see Candalas a Welsh band famously known for their previous song Rhedeg y Paris. We learnt the chorus to the song and sang it aloud. When we got to the gig, Miss Mansfield got us some glow sticks which made us stand out. At the start we listened to some music from DJ Daf and there we are lots of different schools. The best dancers got prizes that DJ Daf signed that we got at the end of the gig. Some people thrown glow sticks on to the stage and the lead singer and the other members of the band picked them up and threw them into the crowd which we tried to catch the glow sticks. At the end of the gig we gave all the singers high fives and fist bumps. This was a wonderful experience and I hope we can do something like this again.

Reported by the First Ministers

Week beginning 19th September			
Dydd Llun	BANK HOLIDAY - related activities on page 5 & 6		
Dydd Mawrth	Music sessions with Mr Morris		
Dydd Mercher	<ul> <li>An assembly delivered by Swansea City with the main messages including sportsmanship and playing fairly</li> <li>Swansea City Football sessions - Y3&amp;4</li> </ul>		
Dydd Iau	Miss Williams to teach alongside Miss Edwards in Dosbarth Druidston.		
Dydd Gwener	Whole school achievement assembly     Singing session with Mr Allen		



# **RSE**

Dosbarth Little Haven and Marloes "Let the Children Come"
The Gospel story of Jesus welcoming little children to Him in spite of others telling them to stay away will be repeated in various ways, and through times of

discussion, imaginative reflection and creative response, children will learn that they are created by God out of love, and for love.

# Dosbarth Newgale

"Get Up!"

The children will hear and experience the Gospel story of Jesus healing Jairus' daughter. The story will be repeated in various ways, and through times of discussion, imaginative reflection and creative response, the children will learn that they are created by God out of love and for love.

## Dosbarth Druidston

"Created and Loved by God" explores the individual. Rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, it helps children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.

# **Dosbarth Whitesands**

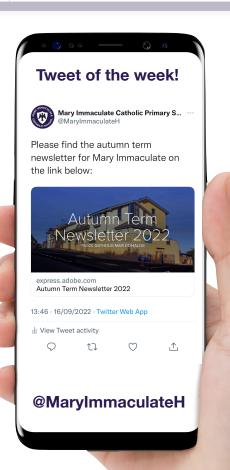
"Friends, Family and Others"
Calming the Storm:
The children will hear and
experience the Gospel story of
Jesus calming the storm. The
children will explore that they are
created by God who cares for us
and wants us to put our faith in
Him.

# Dosbarth Abereiddy

'Is God calling you?'
A lesson looking at the nature of God's call to love others. The pupils look in detail and imaginatively at the story of Zacchaeus' conversion and explore ways in which they can hear God's call in their lives.

Merit Certificates				
Headteacher's Award	Sophie Bradley  "For being a great role model to her peers and the younger children. For contributing well to the life of the school and embodying our school values. Da iawn a diolch Sophie."	Dosbarth Newgale	Llinos Rees  "For her positivity and enthusiasm towards all of her learning this week.  Da iawn!"	
Dosbarth Amroth	Rio Underwood  "For settling into full time school so brilliantly and being a positive role model in the classroom.  Diolch Rio!"	Dosbarth Druidston	Alisha Panesar  "For having such a positive attitude to all of her learning whilst always having the biggest smile on her face!  Da iawn!"	
Dosbarth Little Haven	Sophia Gray  "For a very thoughtful response to our Big Question in RE. Da iawn!"	Dosbarth Whitesands	Jack Tinsley  "For his enthusiasm and perseverance in all tasks this week! Da iawn!"	
Dosbarth Marloes	Joshua Price  "For being extremely helpful around the class and always giving his best.  Da iawn!"	Dosbarth Abereiddy	Oliver Wysocki  "For excellent work in maths this week. You were focused, determined, and enjoyed being challenged!  Da iawn!"	

Lord Jesus,
We rejoice in you:
You deserve our praise now and forever.
Thank you for loving us.
Help us to show our love for you
with our thoughts and actions today.
Amen



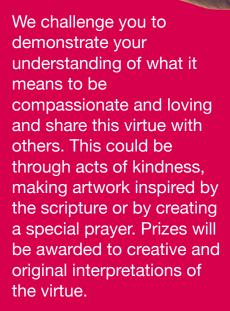


This half-term we will be focusing on the Catholic Pupil Profile Virtues:

# Compassionate and loving

'Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, you earth; burst into song, you mountains! For the Lord comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.

Isaiah 49: 13



Pob Lwc!

# Ready & Respectful







Compassionate & Loving

# Cwestiwn yr Wythnos Ga i fenthyg? Ga i fenthyg.? pensi pen pensi pens

# Cân y bythefnos Rhedeg i Paris







Every fortnight our Criw Cymraeg will be choosing a new song to listen to around the school. Scan the QR code to listen at home. Mwynhewch!





# Let's look at the story



The Queen has died peacefully, aged 96, marking an end to her historic reign. Buckingham Palace today confirmed the news. Her Majesty Elizabeth II is the longest serving monarch in British history.

Her son, now King Charles III, said the death of his beloved mother was a "moment of great sadness" for him and his family and that her loss would be "deeply felt" around the world.



Learn more about this story <u>here</u>.

Watch the useful video here.



# Look at the resource below, which shares some information about the story.

# Who was Queen Elizabeth II?

Elizabeth was born in London on 21st April, 1926 and as a young girl, a lot of her childhood was spent during WW2. In 1940, she gave her first speech on the radio at the age of just 14, sending her best wishes to children who had been evacuated to keep them safe from the war.

Elizabeth was crowned Queen Elizabeth II on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 1953, in Westminster Abbey, at the age of 25. During her reign, she has seen huge changes in Britain, from wars and pandemics to overseeing 15 different prime ministers!

M Queen Elizabeth II ruled Britain for longer than any other King or Queen in history, spending over 70 years on the throne.

It's thought by many, Queen Elizabeth II will be remembered as a Queen who spent her life keeping the promise she made when she was first crowned - to serve her people and her country.

I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong.

Queen Elizabeth II, April, 1947 on her 21st birthday (5 years before becoming Queen).



Pictured above: Four photos of Queen Elizabeth II, from childhood, to her coronation and celebrating 70 years as Queen

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# Main question

# Who was Queen Elizabeth II?







- > Look at the poster image and talk about the recent news about the death of Queen Elizabeth II. Share any knowledge you have about her and awareness of her role and time as Queen.
- Read through the news story. Talk about how her family must be feeling, especially her son Charles, who has now become king.
- Look at the information found on the resource and watch the useful video, which provides an overview of the life of Queen Elizabeth II.
- > Read the Queen's guote taken from the resource, spoken prior to becoming Queen, "I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong." What do you think she means by this and do you think it is something she stood by?
- During the Covid-19 pandemic, the Queen encouraged people to keep going and offered them her support. During a TV broadcast, she said, "We should take comfort that while we may still have more to endure, better days will return." Her message of hope to the nation was watched by millions of people. Do you think offering 'hope' was a key part of her role?

# **Useful Weblinks**

- News story: https://www.bbc.com/news/u k-61585886
- Useful video: https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsro und/news/watch\_newsround



