

Friday/Dydd Gwener 25.6.21

Reminders

- Please ensure you are adhering to the drop off and pick up times each day. If your child walks to school, please make sure they know when they should arrive at school.
- Please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school each day. As the days are getting warmer please make sure they have a sufficient amount of water and a sun hat with them each day.



Healthy Schools Award

We are delighted to share the following information with you:
"Huge congratulations on a successful 3rd reassessment for the Healthy Schools National Quality Award. This is an especially commendable achievement given the challenges of the last year. What a wonderful healthy school Mary Immaculate RC School continues to be."
Diolch to Miss Skoczek for the amount of hard work done behind the scenes and to the Department of Health and Wellbeing for being so professional in the interviews! This department would also like to share the date for 'Olympic Week' or 'Wythnos Olympiadd' is the week commencing 5th of July.

Job opportunities at Mary Immaculate

Please take a look at the council website for a cleaner and two LSA jobs at our school. Please do share the [link](#) with anyone you think would be suitable:

Shields

The amount of shields have been greatly reduced this year due to not being able to take part in certain sports e.g. most improved swimmer, and unfortunately many have not been returned. This year the children most deserving of the award will receive it, regardless of the year group. I will work with the children next academic year to ask them how they would like to structure the achievement assembly in the future.

Teaching structure for September

We are delighted to have two new members join our teaching team in September. Miss Edwards will be covering Mrs Phillips' maternity, this was the appointment that our First Ministers supported the Governors in the interview process. Also, Mrs Joseph was lucky enough to be accepted onto the Welsh language sabbatical for two terms so Mrs Priestly from Pembroke Dock Community School will be teaching year two. Mrs Priestly will also be our Acting Deputy Headteacher for the entire academic year and we look forward to her sharing her expertise having taught in PDCS which is a pilot school for the new curriculum.

Solva (N)	Mrs Faletau	Newgale (Y3)	Miss Williams
Amroth (R)	Miss Skoczek	Druidston (Y4)	Mrs Tweedie
Little Haven (Y1)	Miss Edwards	Whitesands (Y5)	Mrs Sims/Miss Lewis
Marloes (Y2)	Mrs Priestly/Mrs Kerrison	Abereiddy (Y6)	Mis Carruthers

Parish Links

Congratulations to the pupils who made their First Holy Communion on Sunday. A huge thank you to Mrs Tweedie and Fr Matt for preparing the children so well and to everyone who helped to make the day as special as possible.

<https://twitter.com/maryimmaculateh/status/1408455526455943169?s=21>

RSE

Dosbarth Solva and Amroth:
'Good Feelings, Bad Feelings'
Dosbarth Little Haven and Marloes:

'Created to Love Others'
Dosbarth Newgale:
Dosbarth Druidston and Whitesands:

'What is Church?'
In this session, children will learn about the wider Church and its mission to reflect the Holy Trinity through love for others. The charity 'Together For The Common Good' gives us some ideas about how to reflect the love of the Holy Trinity in our lives and as part of the Church family, the Body of Christ. 'Together for the Common Good' is a Christian charity that encourages ecumenical collaboration.

Dosbarth Abereiddy:
No activity this week due to transition days.

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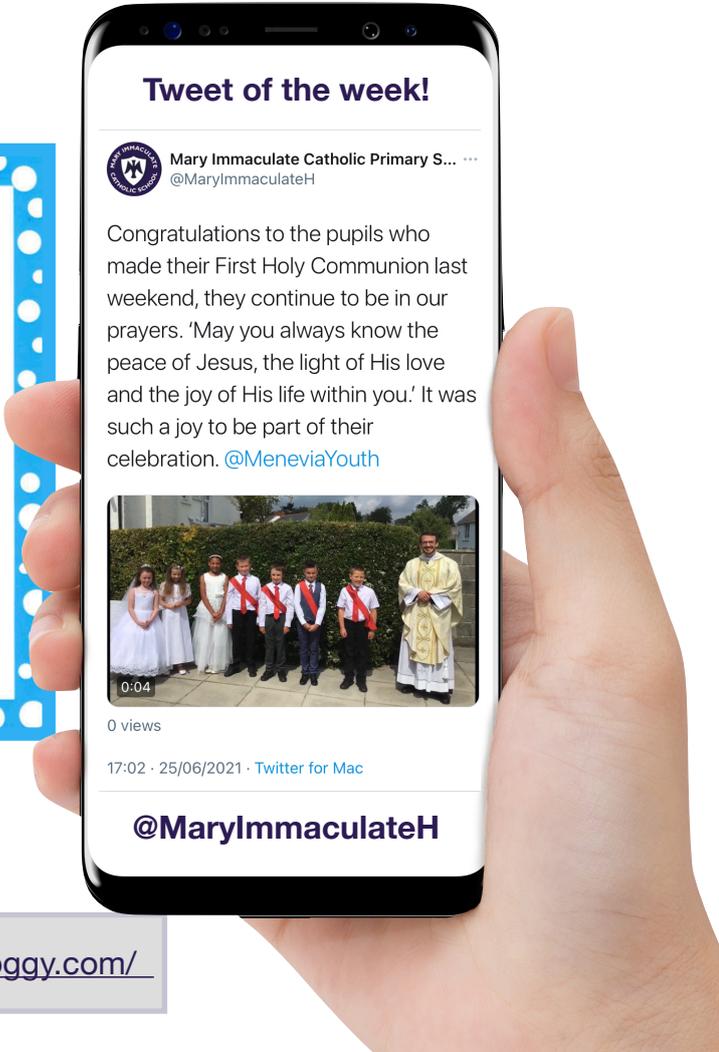
The Department of Welsh Language and Culture

We have been following Wales in the football enthusiastically! Here is our football themed question of the week! Wyt ti'n hoffi pêl-droed? (Do you like football?)
Ydw, dw i'n hoffi pêl-droed. (Yes I like football?)
Nag ydw, dw i ddim yn hoffi pêl-droed. (No I don't like football)
achos mae'n... hwyl, gyffrous, ddiflas, wastraff amser (because it's.. fun, exciting, boring, waste of time)
Please scan the QR code to listen to the correct pronunciation.



Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Solva	Francesca Hughes "For great contribution during our Read, Write, Inc sessions this week. Da iawn Francesca!"	Dosbarth Newgale	Arturs Kokins "For making an extra effort in all aspects of school life."
Dosbarth Amroth	Joshua Davies "For showing perseverance with number formation this week and showing a great understanding of recalling one more and one less."	Dosbarth Druidston	Rosie Atcherly "For always working hard and being a great role model for the class."
Dosbarth Little Haven	Charlie Taylor "For working really hard on his sounds."	Dosbarth Whitesands	Ioan Daly "For always demonstrating a positive attitude towards his work and persevering."
Dosbarth Marloes	Rosie Haworth "For being such a kind, thoughtful and caring little girl."	Dosbarth Abereiddy	Lexi Allen "For consistently making the right choices and being an excellent role model for the class!"
Headteacher's Award	Chloe Kplomedo "For always being so polite and greeting adults and pupils in Welsh, both inside and outside the classroom. Gwaith ardderchog Chloe, da iawn ti!"		



Y Senedd

Shwmae, we are the First Ministers and deputies at Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary School. When Miss Mansfield arrived at our school, we had already been appointed as Head Boys and Girls. We had a discussion about how we could help our school to improve and we came up with the idea of Y Senedd. We have seen more of the First Minister on our TVs than ever before, so, we wanted to change the face of the old school council to be similar to how our country is run.

At Mary Immaculate, we are proud to be a Welsh, Catholic school and so our first two departments were east to name – The Department of Spiritual Life and The Department of Welsh Language and Culture. We then discussed what we would like to improve at our school, we thought we were going to have about five departments, but we have ended up with eight! Every member of KS2 and all support staff and teachers are part of a department, and we all had a say in which department we would like to join. Each department has met this term to discuss ways forward for their area and planned fun activities for us all to take part in. Two pupils from each department were nominated and joined the First Ministers and deputies to form our Cabinet. We will have a Cabinet meeting with Miss Mansfield every term. This is an opportunity for pupil views to be heard and we believe this is a great leadership opportunity and responsibility. Our first Cabinet meeting minutes will be on our website soon, we are excited to share our improvement plans for the future.

We were quite nervous when we were first selected for these roles, but we all agree that we would persuade other pupils to go for this role next year because it is a fun, new opportunity which helps you build in confidence. Diolch yn fawr.





Oracy is an important set of skills that we use everyday. Every week you will be given an important piece of news to discuss with your child/children. Please use the websites and information given to support the discussion. This discussion will also support our pupils in becoming ethically informed citizens.



Websites to support discussion

This week's news story

[BBC News](#)

This week's useful video

[E-scooters: Public nuisance or climate- friendly travel?](#)

What's going on this week?

The electric scooters, also known as e-scooters, are now available to rent in selected areas of London as part of a one-year scheme to measure their feasibility. As part of the trial, conducted by TFL (Transport for London) and London councils, the scooters are banned on pavements and limited to 15.5mph. Privately owned e-scooters remain illegal on most roads and cycle lanes due to a law dating back to the 1800s.

Try using some new vocabulary

Feasibility – the possibility or likelihood of something being done.

Illegal – forbidden by law.

Limited – having a limit; restricted or confined.

Nuisance – something causing inconvenience or annoyance.

Requirements – a quality or qualification needed in order to be allowed to do something.

Solution – solving a problem or dealing with a difficult situation.

Things to talk about at home...

Have you seen an e-scooter before?

Where was it used?

Do you think that e-scooters are safe to use on our roads?

What is the transport like where you live?

Should e-scooters be allowed on our roads?

[Virtual Assembly](#)

UN Rights of a Child

We are given opportunities in school to speak aloud in public. Some of us may find this difficult but, if we are supported, it will help us to fully develop our personalities, talents and abilities.



KS2

Discuss why helmets and fluorescent clothing might help to keep people safe.

Can you think of anything else that might help keep people using e-scooters safe? E.g. lights on the scooter, speed limits.

Create a design for your own fleet of e-scooters!

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Can you make your own scooter using junk material?

Write a list of rules that you think the people using e-scooters in London should stick to?



Record-breaking Echium?

Darren Wilson was working on a job when he came across an echium plant. Rather than throw it in the skip, the qualified tree surgeon, from Saltash in Cornwall, decided to rescue it. He planted it in his front garden and three years later, the plant now stands at a whopping 18 feet tall. After Darren and his wife measured the gigantic plant, they decided to do some online research to try and find out the height of the tallest echium in the UK. Their research revealed the tallest plant was 16 feet – 2 feet shorter than Darren's! Darren said, 'It's gone mad, when you come up the hill to my house, it's right in your eye line, you've got this massive plant just towering above.' Echium plants are biennial, which means they take two years to flower, but Darren's plant flowered in its third year, giving it a whole extra year of growing. He also believes good sunlight and a fleece in winter to protect the plant during the colder months have helped it grow. Darren has tried to contact Guinness World Records so who knows? Maybe Darren's 18 feet echium will become an official record-breaker!



Pictured: Purple flowers of an echium plant

Source: Canva

Thank a Teacher Day!



Pictured: A thank you message to a teacher!

Source: Canva

School has been very different this year. We have taken part in lessons in the classroom and lessons remotely, we have video called, chatted to our teachers on the phone, received a variety of online tasks and more! And guess who has been there every step of the way? Your teachers! With National Thank a Teacher Day taking place on Wednesday 23rd June this year, we would like to help you say a big thank you to the teachers who have made a difference to you. We would like to collate your messages of thanks so send your written messages, short videos and pictures to help@picture-news.co.uk. Please ensure we have received these by Monday 21st June if you would like to be in with a chance of sharing your thanks with your fabulous teacher in our special Picture News video!



Arthur Inspired into Action!

For many, lockdown forced a move to online. 2nd Elm Park Cubs including member, Arthur, were no exception, holding their weekly Cub meets via Zoom. Cub leaders invited influencers to attend these online sessions, with two influences inspiring Arthur into action. Chris the Coast Walker told his story about how he planned to walk almost 11,000 miles of mainland Britain to raise funds for Children in Need and Colin from RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institution) discussed the struggles of raising funds and the amazing work they do at sea to save lives. They provide 24-hour search and rescue around the UK and Ireland and the lifeguards keep watch on 240 of the busiest beaches. Arthur combined the two, which would go towards his Chief Scout Silver Award, the highest award he can achieve as a cub. He video recorded a pledge to his pack to join in with the challenge, explaining that they would walk the boarder of Elm Park twice (8.6km in total) to raise funds for RNLI. Arthur felt this year was an important year to support such a charity because of the number of visitors predicted to visit the coast in the UK. The Cubs have a JustGiving page and have already raised over £100!



Pictured: Arthur

Source: Arthur's JustGiving page

Your thoughts on last week's news...

I love animals and wish I could live on a farm!
Willow – age 6

I don't eat meat but I can see farmers are important to provide food for us. Not just meat but cereals, vegetables, fruits too.
Elijah – age 11



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 it is important for farmers to look after the eco-system because if they don't we will lose homes for animals and some plants. They shouldn't use chemicals as it wouldn't be good for the environment or us.
Year 3 - Manston St James

I think...



YOUR COMMENTS

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