

Friday/Dydd Gwener 26.11.21

Requests

Unbelievably, we have been trying to source the exact lettering for the front of the school for the best part of a year, please contact the school if you can help.

I'd like to set up a rolling program for the upkeep of the school. If you know of any local companies that could commit to a large job such as painting the outside of the school during the school holidays, would you please contact the office?

Exhibition of pupils' work

We are looking forward to the exhibitions from next week. The children have planned the layout of the hall, they've decided what they'd like to share with you and who out of the class would like to present on different aspects of their learning. Parents and Carers will be expected to wear masks for the duration of the visit and the hall will be ventilated throughout. The length of each of the visits depend on the age of the children, I will ask each of the class teachers to get in contact with you via seesaw at the beginning of the week. Dosbarth Little Haven is our first exhibition, which will be held on Wednesday 1st December between 2:15pm and 3pm. We look forward to sharing your children's learning with you!

Friends

The Friends are donating £400 towards Christmas activities for the children this year; £200 for the foundation phase and £200 for key stage two. Thank you to all parents and carers that support the friends activities throughout the year and to the Friends for their continued support.

Visitors

The children may have told you about visitors that we had in school this week. Our challenge advisor, Mr Mark Austin, and our link governor for teaching, Mrs Rhiannon Kplomodo, visited each of the classes and met with Y Senedd. I was very proud to hear that the efforts of the children and staff have been recognised and 'significant improvements' had been made since the last visit. This included behaviour, attitudes to learning and pupil engagement. I've also viewed lessons this week and observed some wonderful learning experiences, cooperation and skill development. There is a lot to celebrate and to be proud of, and we will continue the hard work to help your children reach their God-given potential. Please input into the following questionnaire to help us move forward as a school community:

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Bronze Ambassadors

Two representatives from the Department of Health and Well-being attended a bronze ambassador training session at Haverfordwest High School.

They wrote this brief report of the trip for you:

'We played a lot of games that had a twist! When was rounders but we had to play it blindfolded. We played coconut bowl, they showed us the wrong way to play and we had to problem solve the right way! Today we learned about PACE.

P = Participants

A = Area

C = Communication

E = Equipment

This helped us learn how to lead others and develop basic skills to progress as leaders. Our aim is to achieve the bronze certificate, we need five stars to achieve this.'

These department members will keep you updated on their progress.

Siarter Iaith

The children completed questionnaires about Welsh in our school this week. This will be part of the evidence scrutinised to see whether we have achieved the bronze award of the Welsh Language Charter/Siarter Iaith. We have our visit next week, hopefully our visitors will recognise the improvements made in this area.



CAFOD - World Gifts

We are looking forward to supporting CAFOD this Christmas. World Gifts are a range of virtual charity gifts that will delight the people you give them to and help transform the lives of poor communities and families in developing countries. Instead of sending and receiving Christmas cards in school this year, please make a donation. Take a look at the website on the link below to see what the children will be choosing from with the total donations from their class.

<https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>

RSE

Dosbarth Little Haven

To remember we are all unique with individual talents and gifts.

Dosbarth Marloes

'The Children will meet Super Susie and help teach her how to take care of herself. They will finish learning "God Made Me, God Made You" and remember that their bodies are a special gift from God that they need to look after!

Dosbarth Whitesands

Children will be encouraged to use their scientific knowledge and religious understanding to cope with pressured situations and make good choices.

Dosbarth Aberiddy

Impacted Lifestyles - Drugs, alcohol and tobacco, pupils will build on their existing knowledge through taking part in activities to demonstrate how using these substances can impact on people's lifestyles and inhibit the body's natural functioning.

Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Solva	Phoebe Field "For always working hard and having fantastic manners."	Dosbarth Newgale	Maya Wasilewska "For her determination and perseverance during our maths learning this week."
Dosbarth Amroth	Grace Forbes "For demonstrating fantastic oracy skills in both English and Welsh throughout the week."	Dosbarth Druidston	Alessandro Berettoni "For excellent effort in his work and showing perseverance."
Dosbarth Little Haven	Lucy Field "For persevering so well with her maths this week."	Dosbarth Whitesands	Kayla Kplomedo "For her positive attitude and consistently working hard across all areas of the curriculum!"
Dosbarth Marloes	Claudia Cichon "For putting in an amazing effort in all areas of learning this week." Zaki Keskin "For working really hard learning his tricky words."	Dosbarth Abereddy	Janelle Cabral "For demonstrating excellent enthusiasm this week in Maths!"

Taylor Pemberthy

"For representing the school brilliantly in the Cabinet meeting. Taylor answered questions well, supporting his opinion with reasons and examples. Gwaith wych!"

Dear Jesus,

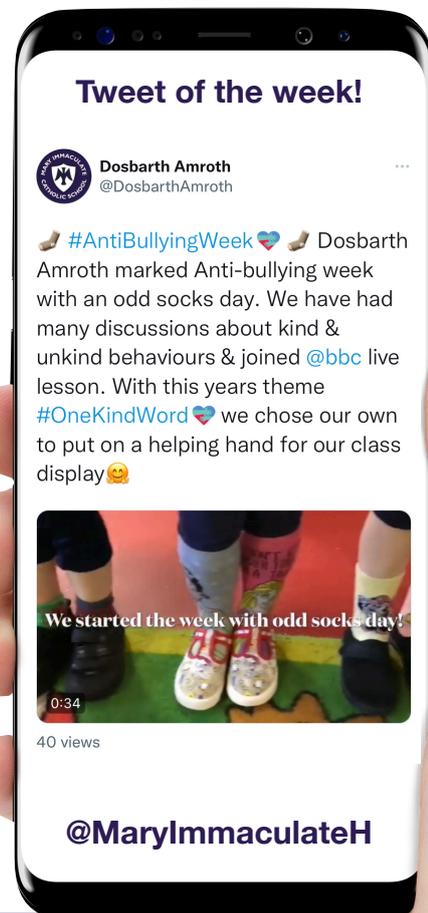
Thank you that you are the best King we could ask for.

Thank you that you love us and will always be with us.

We invite you to be king of our hearts.

Help us to follow your ways and live well in your kingdom.

Amen



Y Senedd

Department of Sustainability

Croeso to the Department of Sustainability. We've had a very busy term so far, working together to ensure we are making sensible and sustainable choices within our school.

This term, we joined forces with the Department of Curriculum, and worked together to write a letter to Mrs Evans, asking her to look into changing our plastic milk bottles to glass, reusable bottles. Mrs Evans has been busy making phone calls for us, and the change to glass milk bottles is looking promising. This will significantly reduce the amount of plastic we are using as a school.

We recently joined CAFOD's COP26 'Eyes of the World' campaign, where we joined thousands of other primary schools to speak up for people around the world who are suffering severely because of the climate crisis. We learnt how 2021 is an important year for action on the climate crisis, and how world leaders came together in Glasgow for the United Nations COP26 climate conference to make decisions that will shape the future of our world and the future of our global family. As part of the climate action campaign, we drew our eyes to show that the world is watching and so are we. We showcased our work by creating a display in our school hall. Following the COP26 meeting, our department members shared the outcome of COP26 with their classes, as well as sharing useful ways we can all make small changes to help care and protect our wonderful world.



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



Curious and active

Do you have the **gift** of **speaking**?

Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you.

Do you have the **gift** of **helping** others?

Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies.

1 Peter 4:11

Curious about everything in our world and trying to learn and gain as much knowledge as we can;
Active in our engagement with the world, changing what we can for the better, being active in the life of the school, the Church, and the wider community.

Cwestiwn yr Wythnos

Ga i chwarae gyda ti/chi?



Ga i chwarae
gyda ti?

Cei, wrth gwrs

Cei, wrth gwrs!
Dim problem.
Pam lai!



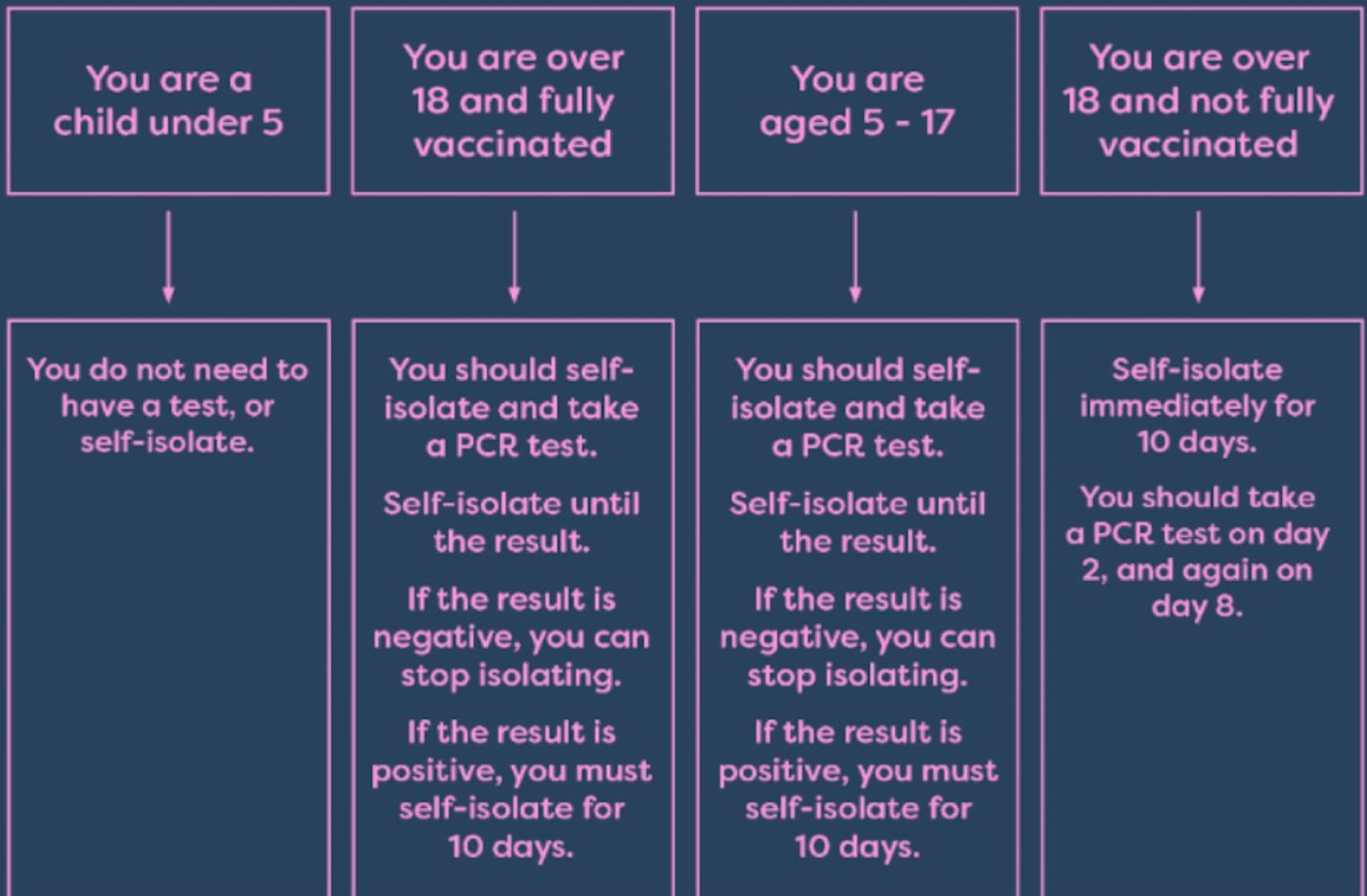
Cân y bythefnos



Gwena – Gwibdaeth Heb Fran



Someone in your household has COVID symptoms or has tested positive for COVID



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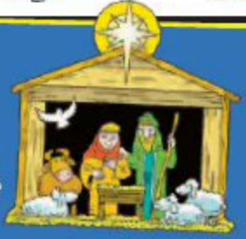
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Mission Together Advent Calendar 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1st Sunday of Advent What is the promise the prophet Jeremiah speaks of in today's first reading? <i>Jeremiah 33:14-16*</i></p>  <p>28</p>	<p>Advent wreaths help us prepare for Christmas. Find out why they are round and made of evergreen leaves.*</p>  <p>29</p>	<p>As a class, learn our Advent Carol <i>We are Waiting</i>,* and think carefully about what the words mean.</p>  <p>30</p>	<p>An Advent wreath's candles are a symbol of Christ's light. Think of ways you can be a light for others today.*</p>  <p>1</p>	<p>Write an Advent prayer or poem. Try to include the words: God, promise, wait, hope, light, world, Jesus.</p>  <p>2</p>	<p>Today is the feast of St Francis Xavier.* How and where did St Xavier travel to, to share the light of Jesus.</p>  <p>3</p>	<p>Say the Mission Together Prayer: <i>May all children in the world, share love, share friendship and live in the peace of God's love. Now and forever. Amen.</i></p>  <p>4</p>
<p>2nd Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel reading, John the Baptist told the people to prepare for Jesus. How can we prepare for Jesus? <i>Luke 3:1-6*</i></p>  <p>5</p>	<p>We can prepare for the coming of Jesus by being peace builders. Say the Mission Together prayer today for children living in war zones.</p>  <p>6</p>	<p>Make a <i>Peace Paper Chain</i> and think about how you can be a peace-maker in school this week.*</p>  <p>7</p>	<p>Today is the birthday of Our Lady. As a class, say the Hail Mary in thanksgiving for her faith, hope, and love.</p>  <p>8</p>	<p>Imagine you are Mary or Joseph waiting for Jesus. Write a poem about how you feel.</p>  <p>9</p>	<p>As a class sing, <i>Go Tell it on the Mountain</i>* Listen carefully to the words and think about what they mean.</p>  <p>10</p>	<p>Draw or make a Christmas crib. If you can, use recycled materials.</p>  <p>11</p>
<p>3rd Sunday of Advent The prophet Zephaniah shares God's joy in today's first reading. How can we share God's joy this week? <i>Zephaniah 3:14-18*</i></p>  <p>12</p>	<p>Find out why the candle for the third Sunday of Advent is pink and not purple.</p>  <p>13</p>	<p>Be an Advent light today; look out for someone who is sad and invite them to play.</p>  <p>14</p>	<p>Find out how Christmas is celebrated in another country.</p>  <p>15</p>	<p>Create a <i>Gift for the World</i> decoration and think about the gifts God has given you to share.*</p>  <p>16</p>	<p>As a class sing <i>Joy to the World</i>* Listen carefully to the words and think about what they mean.</p>  <p>17</p>	<p>Say a prayer for children who will not have enough food to eat today. Ask God to help us share more.</p>  <p>18</p>
<p>4th Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel, Mary visits Elizabeth. How can you make visitors feel welcome this Christmas? <i>Luke 1:39-45*</i></p>  <p>19</p>	<p>Find a way to help at home today, to prepare for Christmas.</p>  <p>20</p>	<p>Be an Advent light today, make a special Christmas card for an elderly relative or neighbour.*</p>  <p>21</p>	<p>Sing your favourite carol. Think about the words. Tell someone what they mean.</p>  <p>22</p>	<p>Pray for children who have no home. Ask God to keep them safe, and for us to find ways to help them.</p>  <p>23</p>	<p>Rejoice! Jesus is born! Remember to thank God and your family for all the gifts their love brings. 24 & 25</p> 	

Cross symbol+ refers to abridged scriptures found in our accompanying liturgical prayers. Asterisks refer to activities or carols. All these resources are available to download free from the Advent page of Mission Together website.

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Lost Egyptian Sun Temple Unearthed

Archaeologists in Egypt have unearthed ancient remains in Abu Gorab, south of Cairo. They say it is one of the most important discoveries made in decades! The ancient remains are one of the four lost sun temples, which were built by Egyptian pharaohs about 4500 years ago in an attempt to turn themselves into living gods. Pyramids, on the other hand, were built to ensure a pharaoh's status as a god in the afterlife. The ruins were found buried underneath another sun temple made by Nyuserre, sixth king of the Fifth Dynasty, who ruled Egypt from 2400 to 2370 BC. Dr Massimiliano Nuzzolo, assistant professor of Egyptology at the Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, Poland, said: 'We knew that there was something below the stone temple of Nyuserre, but we [didn't] know if it is just another building phase

of the same temple or if it is a new temple...I have now many proofs that what we are excavating here is one of the lost sun temples.' There were six sun temples in total with two of the temples having already been found. That leaves just three more to be discovered!



*Pictured: The lost 4500-year-old sun temple
Source: @_qbhatti Twitter*

Sharks In The Thames?

In 1957, the river Thames in London was declared biologically dead, but a recent study has found that seals, seahorses and even sharks have been

living in it! Scientists from the Zoological Society of London (ZSL) compiled 'The State of the Thames' report, which noted an improvement in water quality since the 1960s and an increase in the number of birds, mammals and fish, including three species of shark: Tope, Starry Smoothhound and Spurdog. Alison Debney, Conservation Programme Manager at ZSL, said: 'This report has enabled us to really look at how far the Thames has come on its journey to recovery since it was declared biologically dead, and, in some cases set baselines to build from in the future.' The report also found that climate change is increasing the water temperature by 0.2°C annually and pollution from sewage spills are on the rise as well.



*Pictured: The river Thames
Source: @PixiedustJtT Twitter*



IPad Eye Tracking

Eye tracking has been used for years to enable people with paralysis or conditions such as cerebral palsy to use computers. However, a new iPad accessory can now do the same for Apple's tablets! TD Pilot, created by Swedish eye-tracking company Tobii Dynavox, is an iPad case that adds assistive eye tracking and a wheelchair mount. The TD Pilot works using eye tracking interactions such as looking around instantly moves the large circular cursor, and holding your gaze in any place acts like a click to press a button or open an app. Tobii Dynavox CEO, Frederik Rubin, said: 'We already make iPad-based solutions where they basically control with joysticks and fingers, but up until very recently, eye tracking was not something you could do with an iPad or iPadOS.' The TD Pilot is a prescription-only device that is ready to order now.



*Pictured: Apple iPads
Source: Canva*

Your thoughts on last week's news...

No, we do not need to undertake danger to learn how to be safe. We can slowly learn how to be safe by ourselves. If we learn too slowly then we must be taught. But we certainly do not need to be hurt in the process.
Praneel – age 7

I think yes! Think of the possibilities of not learning how to be safe.
Owen – 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!

No you can learn from your brain not from danger we all know things to be safe of from the age of 5. Even if you experience danger you could learn from it but being placed into danger on purpose you could get hurt and then that is not a good way to learn from it.

Annie – age 10

I think...



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