

Friday/Dydd Gwener 3.12.21

Reminders

- It is the last week for after school clubs next week with the exception of rugby which has already been cancelled until the New Year.
- Please bring in permission slips for the Christmas trips, pupils will not be able to take part without a signed consent form. KS2 pupils may bring a small bag of treats to go the pantomime, there will not be time to buy any at the theatre. Attendance on all trips is subject to behaviour presented in school.

Reminders continued...

- Raffle tickets/money/unused books to be returned to school by Monday 6th December for the draw on Wednesday 8th December.
- Please donate the money you would ordinarily spend on Christmas cards, and the children will choose which 'World Gift' they will buy. Please see more here
- Parents and carers to be reminded that they must escort their child onto the school premises, to a member of staff and not just drop them at the school entrance. The staff are situated at every gate to ensure they are able to ask appropriate questions to ensure your child is well enough to be on site.
- Please can I ask again for you to be considerate when parking outside the school? A member of the public was unable to move his car from the angled bays outside the school because parents had left their cars parked across the top while they collected their children.
- It is Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 10th December, any donation you would like to make will go towards CAFOD World Gifts
- School Christmas dinner will be on Wednesday 15th December

Sponsored bounce

The total for sponsored bounce is £1626.00! That means £813.00 will go to the Friends and ultimately back to your children and £813.00 will go to Children in Need. The children had a choice and this was the charity they chose to support.

Exhibition of pupils' work

Both Year 1 & 2 have presented their learning to their parents/carers this week. What a joyous occasion to see the children present their understanding so confidently. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the children's learning. There will be a feedback form to follow, please complete if you would like to see events like these in the future.

The KS2 classes are next week. Parents and Carers will be expected to wear masks and to socially distance as far as possible for the duration of the visit, and the hall will be ventilated throughout. We look forward to sharing your children's learning with you!

Governors

The staffing committee met this week and would like to share some staffing updates with you. Mrs Faletau will be leaving us at Christmas, we thank her for everything she has done for the children as she moves on to pastures new. Miss Matthews is looking forward to teaching Dosbarth Solva from January. She has worked with them many times, so the children are already familiar with her. We are pleased to announce that Miss Edwards will continue as Dosbarth Little Haven's class teacher for the remainder of the academic year.

RSE

Please find the TenTen Parent Newsletter on the link below:
<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

200 club

October

£30 - Helen Phillips, £20 - Jonathon Lovell, £10 - Brian Reynolds

November

£30 - Paul Noott, £20 - Ryan Foot, £10 - Chris Shewry

December

£150 - Liz Hearne, £100 - Ann Harvey, £50 - Michelle Rees



RE

We had the pleasure of welcoming Fr Paul Joseph into school this week. He visited every class and blessed all the Advent wreaths. We look forward to celebrating Advent Mass with him in the final week of school.

CAFOD

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/>

Once the children have given their donation, they will be given a bauble to write your family's name and/or a prayer which they can then add to our Christmas tree in the hall. The beautiful Christmas tree was donated by Griffiths this week, the children are delighted with it. Diolch yn fawr!

RSE

Dosbarth Marloes

'The Cycle of Life' This session looks at the specifics of the human life cycle, and children will be encouraged to celebrate how they have already changed and grown.

Dosbarth Abereiddy

'Making Good Choices'

Children will be encouraged to use their scientific knowledge and religious understanding to cope with pressured situations and make good choices. The teaching is underpinned with the religious understanding that consuming harmful substances is harmful to our bodies, and therefore God's creation.

Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Solva	Theo Williams "For using his natural leadership qualities when helping others."	Dosbarth Newgale	Luke Quigley "For sharing a positive attitude towards all aspects of the curriculum."
Dosbarth Amroth	Sophia Gray "For always being eager to learn and setting a good example by following class rules. You are a true role model."	Dosbarth Druidston	Emily Field "For her excellent digital work."
Dosbarth Little Haven	Wyatt Bartlett "For sharing his learning so confidently during our exhibition."	Dosbarth Whitesands	Nooriyah Subhan "For demonstrating perseverance in tasks across the curriculum!"
Dosbarth Marloes	Rhys Phillips "For putting in a great effort with his literacy this week and supporting others in his group."	Dosbarth Abereddy	Aoife Curtis "For always giving 100% in all she does and being a great role model in the class."

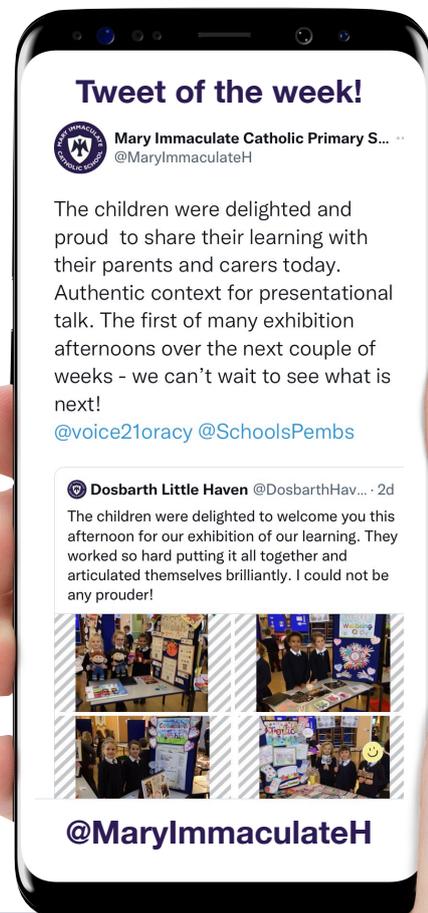


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Siarter Iaith

Longyfarchiadau! A huge congratulations to the whole school community, we have now achieved bronze award status of the Welsh Language Charter. The assessor observed learning, Welsh use on the playground and spoke with the Cabinet. They recognised the improvements made and the children were happy to share their progress. Now on to the silver award!



Y Senedd

Department of Digital Competency

Welcome to the Department of Digital Competency! We have had a busy term helping improve the digital skills in our school. As a department we have introduced 'Ap yr Mis', each month we choose a new App to introduce to Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2 and create help sheets to help the classes use the app in their learning.



Christmas is fast approaching, schools are getting ready for nativities, parents and carers across the country are getting ready for the two week break and of course, children are getting ready for the new toys to play with. With technology gifts being high on wish lists each year it is important to ensure that you and your children are safe when playing with new devices. To help you over the holidays, the Department of Digital Competency have set out a few top tips to help keep your household safe online.

Top tips for phones or tablets over the holidays

- Apply Screen Time Limits - Agree a time limit or number of games beforehand, to avoid repeated disagreements around how long they can spend online.
- Sleep comes first - We advise that phones or tablets stay out of the bedroom overnight to charge. This avoids those night time distractions.
- Ask for access - If you're concerned about something happening or want to take a look at the games and apps, ask them to allow you access to the phone.
- Have a conversation - Talk about the types of things they are doing online. The best advice we can give is to talk to your child regularly and openly about behaviour and risk, so that they know they can come to you if they ever feel uncomfortable.

Deciding about gaming

Each year there are so many exciting games and consoles around, there is a good chance you might have one coming into your house. There are a few different ways to make a judgement about the types of games that are right for your child – but research is key. Downloading and using the game or app yourself is a great idea to experience first-hand what your child may be exposed to. New Year is a great time to make some new resolutions around technology use. From taking a look at your account settings, looking at your screen time and getting involved in Safer Internet Day.

Keep your eyes peeled on the newsletter to find out more about Safer Internet Day 2022 as the Department of Digital Competency have some fantastic ideas about how we can get the whole school involved.

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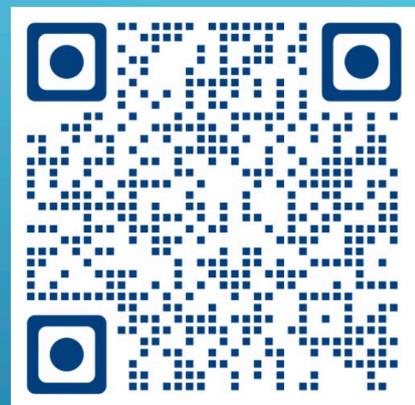
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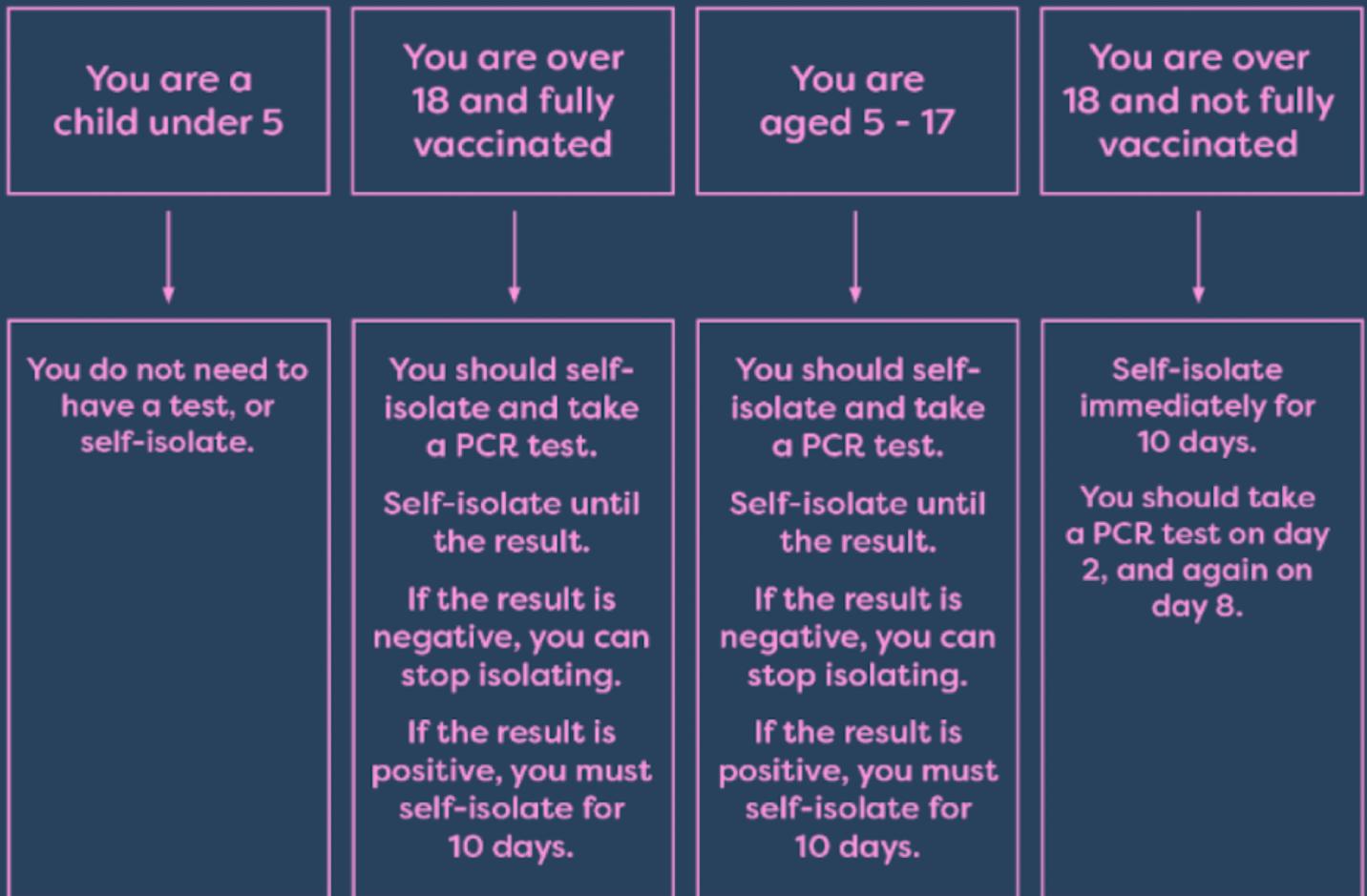
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Someone in your household has COVID symptoms or has tested positive for COVID



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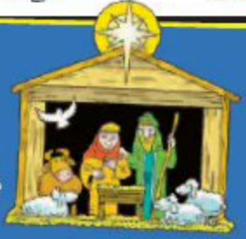
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Mission Together Advent Calendar 2021



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.</p> <p>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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Insulation Made From Popcorn!

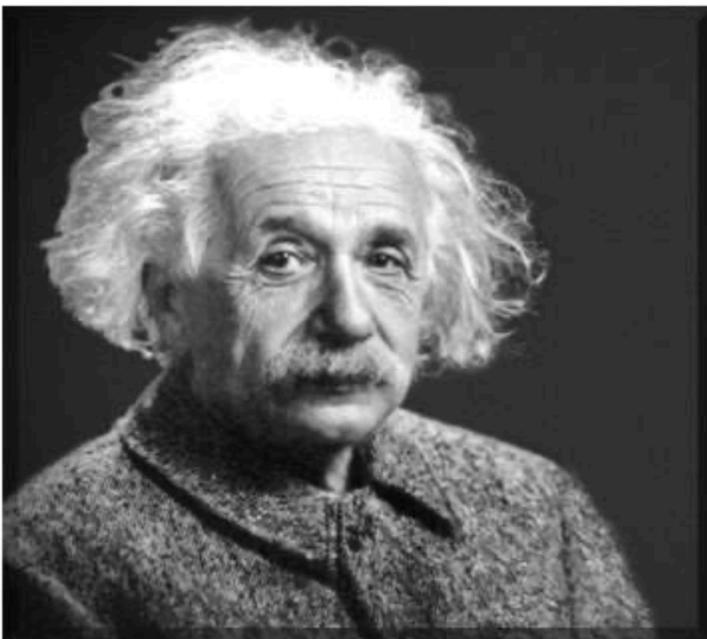
Many homes use insulation to help keep them warm or cool and with many buildings contributing to a large percentage of global emissions, good insulation is a must. At the moment, about 90% of materials used to make insulation for buildings is plastics or mineral fibres, which are non-biodegradable. The insulation also generates carbon dioxide in its manufacturing process, contributing to pollution and making it unsustainable. However, scientists may have found an alternative: a favourite film snack! The team from Göttingen University, Germany, have devised a technique to turn popcorn into insulation boards. They said the boards had: 'excellent thermal insulation properties and good protection against fire'. They also added: 'the great advantage of this granular material is that it

it is a plant-based, environmentally friendly and a sustainable alternative to the products derived from petroleum currently used in the industry'. Göttingen University has signed a licence agreement with a building materials company, Bachl Group, so popcorn insulation boards may appear in the not-too-distant future!



*Pictured: A bowl of popcorn
Source: Canva*

Relativity Document Sells For £9.7m



*Pictured: Albert Einstein
Source: Canva*

Albert Einstein is often acknowledged as one of the greatest physicists of all time. He is perhaps best known for his theory of relativity, which helped scientists understand how the universe works. A manuscript containing calculations made by Einstein, as he attempted to formulate his theory, has recently sold at Christie's auction house, Paris, for £9.7m. Vincent Belloy, an expert at the auction house, said, 'Einstein is someone who kept very few notes, so the mere fact the manuscript survived and made its way to us already makes it extraordinary.' The manuscript has broken the record for the highest amount an autographed scientific document has sold for. However, the buyer has not been revealed.



Reading Shed - Up And Running!

After sharing the Picture News big question 'Should all schools have a library?', the Year 2 children of St Helena's CE Primary School were spurred into action. Alongside their class teacher, Mrs Roberts, they began to contact various people in an attempt to acquire a reading shed. Within a week, the pupils had managed to source not just one but two reading sheds and enough funds to purchase new books especially for the little, wooden shacks. Headteacher, Mrs Belton, said: 'It's amazing - a little reading haven of their own for breaktimes. They and especially their teacher are fabulous people! Thank you (Picture News) for the inspiring news story and look what it has achieved in just a week... 136 children and 8 teachers eager to read again!' One reading shed is officially up and running and was opened by author, James Mayhew, last month and they hope

to have the second up and running soon! Well done everyone at St Helena's CE Primary.



*Pictured: James Mayhew opening a reading shed with the 'Page Turners', St Helena's CE Primary School's reading for pleasure club.
Source: St Helena's CE Primary School*

Your thoughts on last week's news...

*I think you shouldn't swim with dolphins because they should be FREE.
River-Rose – age 5*

*They should not be held captive so it's best if we swim with them in the wild. Also, we should not overwhelm them so a good stroke on the back will do.
Michael – age 9*



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 want to go and free that dolphin so it can be with its family..... But what about the tigers in the zoo. They shouldn't be there either!
Toby – age 5*

*We should be allowed to swim with dolphins but we must be extra careful to tell whether it's harmless or harmful.
Jayden – age 8*

I think...



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