

Friday/Dydd Gwener 30.4.21

Reminders

- Please ensure your child brings their trainers in a bag each day as they will be taking part in the daily mile and making use of the outdoor space.
- 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.
- Summer Term Newsletter: <https://spark.adobe.com/page/D9IStHYLE82VO/>

Packed newsletter!

As you will have noticed last week we have added a page for Y Senedd news and our current behaviour goal and virtues. We will continue to provide the Voice 21 activities and the Picture News for you to engage with your children in current affairs at home. This week there is this term's RE newsletter and messages from the Friends of Mary Immaculate. Apologies for the lengthy newsletter (10 pages!) it will be shorter next week!

Internet Safety

Please find a link below to 'Help your family be safer and savvier online'
<https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/legendaryparent>

FF Dancers

This week we have welcomed back Miss Finola from FF Dancers for outdoor dance sessions for each class; the Foundation Phase on Tuesday and Key Stage Two yesterday. On Thursday it was International Day of Dance and Key Stage Two celebrated in style. Even the most reluctant dancers were throwing some shapes on the field in the sunshine! We are extremely appreciative of her time. Smiles all around!

Inclusion Support

Please find posters for Inclusion Support's Summer Term workshops on the link below:
<https://twitter.com/maryimmaculateh/status/1386971455250968577?s=21>

Clwb Cwtsh

'Clwb Cwtsh' - your chance to start learning Welsh for free online over 8 weeks - returns this May! Please go to <https://www.meithrin.cymru/clwb-cwtsh/> for more details.



Would you like to learn Welsh?

- Learn Welsh for FREE!
- Fun-filled virtual sessions
- Children are welcome to join
- 8 week taster course
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Parish Links

Fr Matt has visited a couple of times this week. He supported the First Holy Communion applicants in a session about the meaning of the Last Supper and popped into see us all today. It is wonderful to

Friends of Mary Immaculate

We are pleased to announce that The Friends have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our children. The Friends are also registered with 'easyfundraising' more details are on pages 9 & 10.

The whole school Twitter handle is:
[@MaryImmaculateH](https://twitter.com/MaryImmaculateH)

To find out what's happening in each class please follow:

[@DosbarthSolva](https://twitter.com/DosbarthSolva)
[@DosbarthAmroth](https://twitter.com/DosbarthAmroth)
[@DosbarthHaven](https://twitter.com/DosbarthHaven)
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The Department of Welsh Language and Culture

This week our question of the week is 'Wyt ti eisiau chwarae?' (Do you want to play?) This can be answered by Ydw, diolch or Nag ydw, dim diolch and can be extended Ydw, dw i eisiau chwarae... diolch / Nag ydw, dw i ddim eisiau chwarae... diolch (Yes, I would like to play/ No, I wouldn't like to play.) We'd love you to have a go at this at home! We have seen groups our children starting to use our wonderful outside signs during playtime and lesson time - Dal ati!

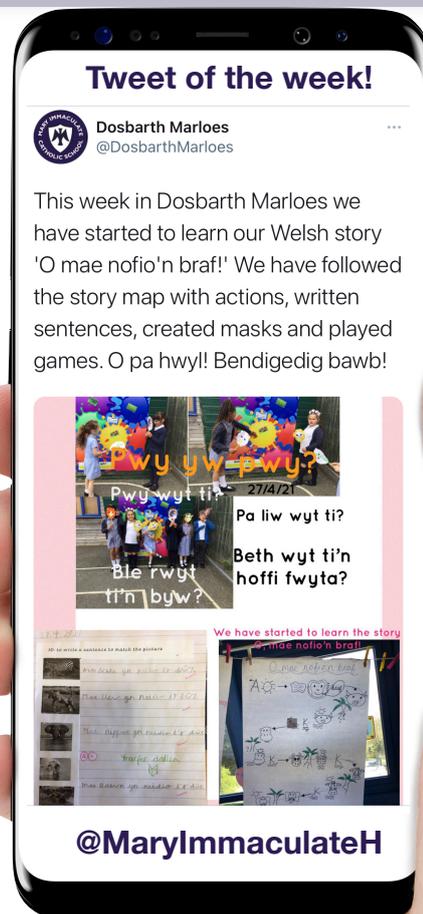


Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Solva	<p style="text-align: center;">Sophia Gray</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For showing great leadership during our numeracy tasks this week”</p>	Dosbarth Newgale	<p style="text-align: center;">Harley Rone</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For always sharing such positivity and enthusiasm towards all aspects of school life.”</p>
Dosbarth Amroth	<p style="text-align: center;">Xavier Keattch</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“ For his positive attitude and excellent contribution to learning this week. Da iawn Xavier!”</p>	Dosbarth Druidston	<p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Kapsule</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For her fantastic effort and progress in numeracy this week, moving forward in her learning to use 2 step function machines! ”</p>
Dosbarth Little Haven	<p style="text-align: center;">Isla Joseph</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For her hard work in learning the story of Trixie Stickybeak. Bendigedig!”</p>	Dosbarth Whitesands	<p style="text-align: center;">Ollie Robinson</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For using all 4 operations confidently to calculate input and output on function machines.”</p>
Dosbarth Marloes	<p style="text-align: center;">Annabella Davis Obrien</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For a fantastic understanding of when to use speech marks. I am very impressed! Da iawn.”</p>	Dosbarth Abereddy	<p style="text-align: center;">Jacob Rojak</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“For excellent work in Maths. You showed great perseverance when finding the nth term to describe the linear sequences. Gwaith da!</p>



Dear God,
Thank you that you want to spend time with me.
Help me learn to listen to your voice guiding me.
Amen.



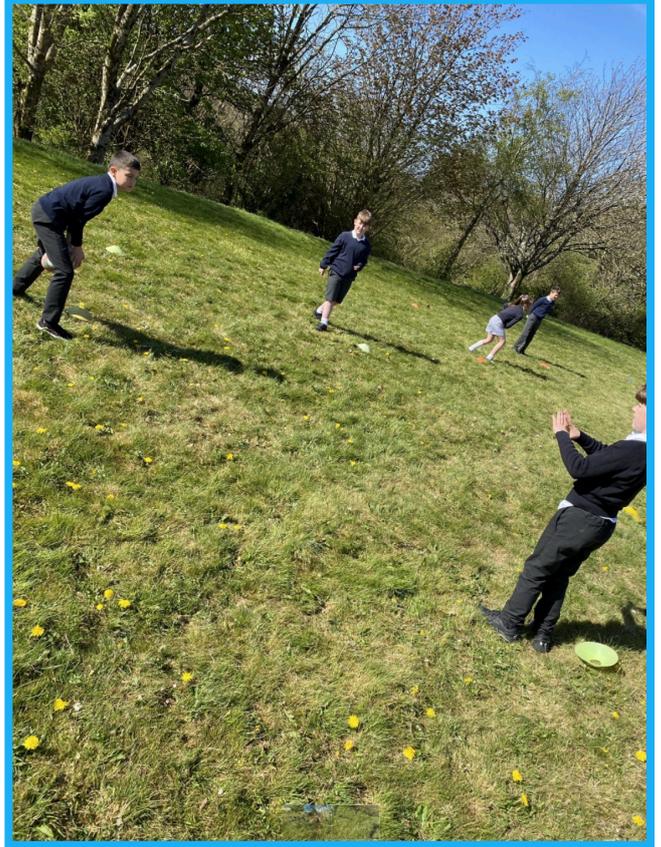
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Department of Health and Wellbeing

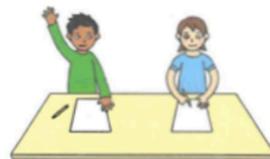
Welcome to the Department of Health and Wellbeing. During our first department meeting, we discussed why we were selected for this role and mind-mapped ideas of how we wanted to promote Health and Wellbeing in our school. Our discussion quickly turned to sports at Mary Immaculate. We each spoke about what we wanted to provide the school with, with the aim of promoting Health and Wellbeing through opportunities for sport. The first suggestion was a field timetable to ensure all classes had weekly use of the field for learning and break times. This is now in action and has brought lots of enjoyment to all! This week we have also welcomed back Miss Finola from FF Dancers for outdoor dance sessions for each class and both Year 4/5 classes have started rugby sessions with WRU Officer, Aled Waters, from Pembrokeshire College! Other ideas that we are currently planning are:

- 'Race for Life' which the school have signed up for, which will take place in school at the end of this half-term
- 'Wythnos Olympiadd' – Olympic Week which will be replacing this year's usual Sports Day celebrations. The Department members intend to plan new and exciting races and competitions for each class to compete in over the week with other classes spectating
- Fundraising opportunities for new sporting equipment for the playground and field

The Department have shown great enthusiasm and we have a lot to look forward to!



Manners Matter



Compassionate & Loving



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

[Cressida Cowell: Children's Laureate leads call for £100m primary school library fund](#)

This week's useful video

[Libraries Change Lives Project](#)

What's going on this week?

Children's Laureate, Cressida Cowell, has written a letter asking the prime minister to allocate £100m a year to help school libraries. The writer said she wanted "something hopeful to come out of the darkness of the pandemic. If you want to level up, libraries have to be a key part of that." She had said she would like funding to be guaranteed in particular for primary school libraries in the way that it is for other areas such as sport. The letter has also been signed by former Children's Laureates including Michael Rosen, Quentin Blake and Jacqueline Wilson.

Try using some new vocabulary

Allocate – give or distribute resources or money for a particular purpose.

Children's Laureate – a writer or illustrator of children's books who is appointed to promote and encourage children's interest in literature and reading.

Contribute – help to cause or bring about something.

Creative – being imaginative, inventive and original.

Guaranteed – certain it will happen.

Promote – support, encourage and give publicity to something.

Things to talk about at home...

Do you have a library at your school?

Currently 1 in every 8 schools doesn't have a library, does this surprise you?

Some schools have been creative with their library, for example, using an old bus! If you could create your own library, what might it look like?

Should all schools have libraries?

Virtual Assembly

UN Rights of a Child

As children, we have the right to get information from a variety of sources in our own languages. Libraries are safe places to find information in books, newspapers or on the internet.



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ACCESS TO INFORMATION



KS2

Can you think of any features that make a library successful? Aside from books, do you think there is anything else a library needs?

Do you think the layout of a library is important? If you could design your own layout of a library, what might it look like?

Can you think of any books that you have learned a lot from? What is your favourite book?

FPh

Can you take on the role of a librarian and help people to find the books they need?

Choose two books from your home. Can you find out which one most people would like to hear for bed time story time?

Can you use your favourite storybook to make one of the characters out of playdough?



Egyptian Pharaohs on the move



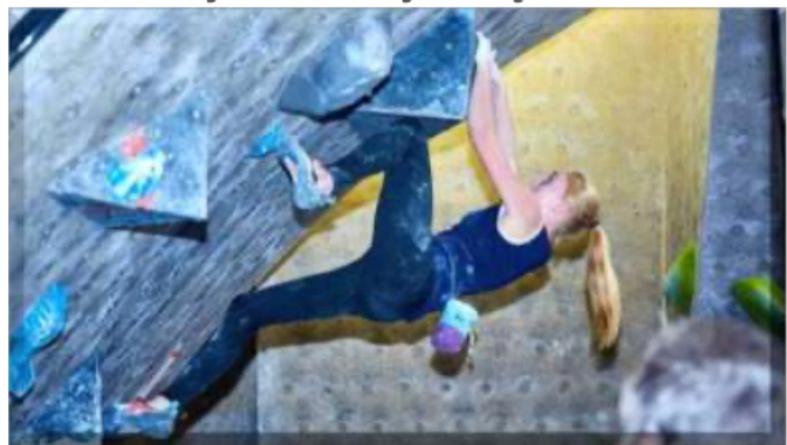
Pictured Top: Lavish procession through Cairo Source: @interaksyon

Pictured Bottom: Coffin of Psusennes I Source: Aidan McRae Thomson

There was a lavish parade through the newly paved streets of Cairo when 22 Ancient Egyptian mummies were relocated to a new museum. Accompanied by replica horse-drawn war chariots, 18 kings and 4 queens were transported for 5 kilometres in trucks with special shock-absorbers so that the ride was as smooth as possible. The pharaohs' caskets were filled with nitrogen to avoid any damage from the hot climate. The pharaohs were carried in chronological order, starting with the oldest, Seqenenre Taa II from 16th Century BC to Ramesses IX who ruled in 12th Century BC. Amongst them was Queen Hatshepsut, who broke tradition by becoming pharaoh as a woman and King Ramesses II, who ruled for 67 years. The mummies will be exhibited in the Royal Hall of Mummies at the National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation in the capital city. They were moved in a bid to regenerate tourism in the country since numbers of visitors to Egypt have been dropping over recent years.

Climbing debut at Tokyo Olympics

In less than three months time, the delayed 2020 Olympic Games are scheduled to begin in Tokyo, Japan. This is exciting for any sportsperson, but Christopher Cossar, age 20 and Erin Sterkenberg, who is just 17, are ecstatic! The young climbers will represent Africa in the climbing event. It is the first time that climbing has been included as an Olympic sport. Climbers will compete for one Olympic medal in three disciplines: speed climbing, lead climbing (getting to the highest point in six minutes) and bouldering (finding the best route up). Cossar was inspired to begin climbing by a twelfth birthday gift of the film *Progression*, which follows the life of climbers and their determination to conquer their challenges. Sterkenberg began her climbing career on her school climbing wall, although most of her training over the last twelve months has been in her back yard due to the global pandemic. Only twenty-two people across Africa



Pictured: 17-year-old South African, Erin Sterkenberg training on a climbing wall

Source: @BBC_NickCavell

took part in the qualifiers' competition in December. There are fewer competitors than in a lot of other countries. Sterkenberg explained, "A lot of people don't know climbing as a sport but after these Olympics, a lot more people will be interested because they'll see it on TV."



121-year-old chocolate found

You might be thinking that a tin of chocolate discovered in the attic of a historic house in Norfolk was an Easter hunt gone wrong! In fact, it was a gift given to a soldier by the order of Queen Victoria in 1900. The chocolate was found in a helmet case belonging to the 8th Baronet, Sir Henry Edward Paston-Bedingfeld, who lived in Oxburgh Hall after he returned from the Boer War. The monarch asked UK chocolate companies to make more than 100,000 tins, each containing half a pound of chocolate (about 225g), for soldiers posted in South Africa to keep their spirits up during the Second Boer War. Anna Forrest, the curator at the property, said, 'Although it no longer looks appetising and is well past its use-by date - you wouldn't want it as your Easter treat - it is still complete and a remarkable find. We can only assume that the 8th Baronet kept the chocolate with the helmet as a memento of his time in the Boer War.'



Pictured: The chocolate and the Boer War helmet found at Oxburgh Hall in Norfolk Source: @SkyNews/@Independent

Your thoughts on last week's news...

Yes... if you have free time and you can volunteer for somebody who needs your time and help to make their life little bit easy then why not?
Noriqa – age 8



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!

Yes, because it will make people happy and it's a nice thing to do.
Aisha – age 5

I think some people are very busy and have busy lives so may not have time.
Max – age 11

Not if they are busy.
Elliot – age 7

I think...



YOUR COMMENTS

Share your thoughts on our online discussion board:
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IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

(1 May)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(13 May)

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days. Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

(23 May)

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(30 May)

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

(6 June)

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

(11 June)

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

(29 June)

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUMMER TERM 2021

COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Islam.

PENTECOST—SERVING (13.04 – 07.05.21)

Early Years	GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus
Year 1	HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Year 2	SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News
Year 3	ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Year 4 / 5	TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Year 6	WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

ISLAM (10.05 – 14.05.21)

Pupils will study various aspects of Islam for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING (17.5 – 18.06.21)

Early Years	FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus
Year 1	BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Year 2	RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family
Year 3	CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Year 4/5	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible
Year 6	HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD (21.06 – 16.07.21)

Early Years	OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world
Year 1	NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Year 2	TREASURES - God's treasure; the world
Year 3	SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community
Year 4/5	STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Year 6	COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.

Bags2School.
Collection Date Tuesday 25th May 2021.

We are pleased to announce that The Friends has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our children.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for The Friends of Mary Immaculate, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <http://uk.bag2school.com/> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from school on Tuesday 25th May 2021. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the office on Monday 24th May and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Bag2School



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Our next **Bag2School** collection
has been arranged for

..Tuesday 25th May 2021..

at **...9am... am / pm**

Any questions - please ask your school collection organiser Suzanne Williams

www.bag2school.com

WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following '**good quality**' items for RE-USE*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

In the event of inclement weather please protect your Bag2School investment by with a plastic sheet or storing bags undercover as wet items cannot be accepted

If in doubt, please call us on 01609 780222.

Easyfundraising

Just letting you know that Friends Of Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary School are registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fomicprischool/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=gs-e1

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