



Friday/Dydd Gwener 4.3.22

Reminders

Please ensure your child arrives for school on time. A late arrival can not only disrupt the class, but can mean that your child misses out on a vital lesson introduction. If your child is off sick, please can you call Mrs. Evans in the school office before 10am? Our registers are routinely checked in the morning by County Hall and all absences must be recorded with a reason given. Thank you for your cooperation.

Meeting for Parent and Carers

Thank you to those of you who took the time to meet with us on Thursday evening. For those parents who were unable to attend, the recording of the meeting was sent out via ParentMail this evening. Please complete the form below to provide us with feedback. Thank you for your continued support.
[Feedback form](#)

Lentern Charity - Missio

For almost 200 years, Missio has been providing overseas missionaries with the support they need to build and sustain faith communities in areas of poverty and conflict. Our famous Red Box encourages Catholic families in England and Wales to give what they can to help these communities materially and spiritually. As the children's branch of Missio, Mission Together invites children to help children around the world by fundraising and giving to the Little Red Box – our very own Red Box for children. Money raised through the Little Red Box is used solely to support Missio's overseas children's projects. Please encourage your children to use the little red boxes that came home today (one per family), and put money they would ordinarily spend on sweets, chocolates etc. that they have given up for lent, into the box to support other children in need.

Message from the parish newsletter

"Pope Francis says his heart aches over the situation in Ukraine and announces a "Day of Fasting for Peace" on Ash Wednesday. During the General Audience on Wednesday, Pope Francis made a heartfelt appeal for peace in Ukraine, saying that the threat of war had caused "great pain in my heart."
 "Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks," the Pope said, "increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up, with many people all over the world feeling anguish and pain. "Once again the peace of all is threatened by partisan interests," he stressed. Pope Francis appealed to those "with political responsibility to examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war, who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies. He also prayed that "all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilising coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute... I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on that day. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war," he said."

We keep the people of Ukraine in our prayers.



Parish

I have confirmed with Father Paul Joseph that the First Holy Communion celebration Mass will be held on the feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday 19th June. More details to follow.

RSE

Dosbarth Marloes

'Special People' - this session will help the children will identify the special people in their lives and what it is that makes them special.

Dosbarth Newgale

'I am thankful' Children will be able to notice inappropriate behaviour and acts of thankfulness in the mime scenarios;

Dosbarth Druidston

'Changing Bodies' - pupils will use the correct terminology for genitalia relating to the discussion on puberty and explore some of the specific physical and emotional changes that will take place for boys and girls in the coming years.

Dosbarth Aberiddy

'Peculiar Feelings' In this session, pupils will observe and discuss how people behave and react to their feelings and emotions, and how these feelings can change quickly.

Friends

Please can you spare a couple of seconds to enter this competition to increase our chances of winning a fantastic outdoor classroom. Our full name is Mary Immaculate Catholic School Post code: SA61 1PH

Please share with friends and family too, it could all help increase our chances?<https://creativeplayuk.com/win-an-outdoor-classroom/>

Week beginning 7.3.22	
Dydd Llun	Swimming Year 3&4 Y5&6 - ICT enrichment sessions - Scratch and Microbits
Dydd Mawrth	Music sessions with Mr Morris
Dydd Mercher	Y1&2 - ICT enrichment sessions - BeeBots & Makey Makey Swansea City Football sessions - Y5&6
Dydd Iau	Y3&4 - ICT enrichment sessions - Lego workshops with coding Rugby sessions with WRU Officer - Y3&4
Dydd Gwener	British Science Week begins

Y Senedd

Department of Welsh Language and Culture

Croeso to the department of Welsh Language and Culture. It has been a busy start to the year for our department. Our Welsh assemblies led by KS2 pupils in our department have continued virtually and we have introduced 'Cân y bythefnos' our Welsh Language song of the fortnight which is shared with all classes during our assemblies and enjoyed in the classes at various points of the week. We also share it here on the newsletter each week and would love you to listen with your family at home! In January, we celebrated the Urdd's 100th Birthday by singing 'Hei Mr Urdd' and uploading our videos onto Twitter so that we could be part of a World record attempt, which was successful! We also joined in a live party online to celebrate the special day.

In February, we celebrated Dydd Miwsig Cymru. We shared Welsh language music with the school through our assembly and then each class enjoyed listening to Welsh music and taking part in activities throughout the day.

We have all had llawer o hwyl celebrating Wythnos Gymreig over the last week in school. There have been lots of Welsh themed activities across the school as part of our St David's Day celebrations. These have included Year 5 and 6 joining the lively St David's Day Parade and jamboree in Haverfordwest Town and our whole school Eisteddfod, where each class performed a poem and song. Our Criw Cymraeg did an excellent job of leading the Eisteddfod and it was wonderful to have everybody celebrating together!

Llongyfarchiadau to all those pupils who participated in our Eisteddfod Craft Competitions and a big diolch to all our families who supported them in preparing their entries on the theme of 'Mor a Mynydd.' Our Criw Cymraeg had the extremely difficult job of judging the entries, there were so many fantastic entries! Here are the results below:

Dosbarth	1af	2il	3ydd
Solva	Theo Williams		
Amroth	Logan Harding	Lily Thomas	
Little Haven	Xavier Keattch	Catrin Bunston	
Marloes	Isla Joseph	Sofia Sheible-Scimone	Zaki Keskin
Newgale	Fearne Thomas	Leila Thomas	Luke Quigley
Druidston	Emily Field	Evie Bartlett	Malcom Richards
Whitesands	Lillia Symmonds	Elijah Jones	Maegen Naoe Cohen Macphee
Abereiddy	Janelle Cabral	Luther Keattch	Timothy Davis





Frog found in primary school banana

A frog from Africa has been found in a bunch of snack time bananas at a Wirral primary school. The tiny amphibian was spotted by a teacher at Heswall Primary School in Merseyside as she was organising the pupils' morning fruit. Members of staff at the school were able to catch the frog, which is the size of

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a fingernail, and kept it safe in a damp container until it was collected. RSPCA inspector, Anthony Joynes said, "This sort of things happens from time-to-time nationwide but this is the first one I have known in Wirral. Providing a small enclosure, with moisture, warmth and a hiding place was spot on." He added that the school had done exactly the right thing



Pictured: The tiny frog found in a bunch of bananas at Heswall Primary School.
Source: Anthony Joynes@joynes85 Twitter page.

by not touching the amphibian but keeping it safe so he could collect it. Deputy head teacher, Nicky Bolton, said, "We knew the frog had travelled from West Africa because wrapping was stamped with Ivory Coast. The children were so excited to learn about the frog's journey and how it has travelled almost 5,000 miles to arrive in Wirral. The children are now very excited to find out what species he is."

Cousins forge blacksmith business

Ollie and Harvey Roberts, who are aged 14 and 13, are Britain's youngest blacksmiths! They set up their own metal work business, O&H Metalwork Designs, during lockdown. They and their relatives are very proud that they are the 7th generation of welders in their family. "A long, long time ago, 1804, our family bought the Wrexham smithy and started doing blacksmithing," Harvey said. "Our grandad did it and we found it really interesting. We had a go, and then we thought we've come this far, and we may as well try to make a business out of it. We had to have help at the start - it's really dangerous and there are lots of sparks." Their design ideas, which include flowers and birds, have been purchased by people in countries as far away as Indonesia, raised money for Nightingale House hospice, and a dolphin sculpture made from old spoons is set to go on display at the British Ironwork Centre. The cousins have even received letters from Buckingham Palace and 10 Downing Street congratulating them on opening their decorative metal designs business and raising money for charity.



Pictured: Ollie and Harvey with one of their recent projects, a dolphin sculpture made from old spoons!
Source: O&H Metalwork Designs@h_metalwork Twitter page.

Make ice cream in two minutes



Pictured: Salted caramel and vanilla ice cream sundae.
Source: Canva

A new countertop machine has been invented that can use pods to make ice cream in four easy, mess-free steps. The appliance aims to overhaul the frozen treats industry, making changes to how these types of products are made and stored, therefore significantly reducing emissions. The ColdSnap machine can take pods and turn them into soft-serve ice cream in 60-90 seconds. ColdSnap's single-serve aluminium pods are each roughly the size of a drinks can and deliver a variety of frozen treats; including dairy and non-dairy ice cream, frozen yogurt, frozen coffees, frozen smoothies, frozen shakes, and slushies. The frozen confections machine uses a camera, which scans the QR code on each pod as they are inserted, this gives the machine all the information it requires to make each frozen delight. Matthew Fonte was inspired to come up with the idea during a conversation with his daughters, Sierra and Fiona, who were disappointed at how time consuming and messy it was to make ice cream with a traditional at-home ice cream machine.

Last week's topic:

What does a city of the future need?



A city of the future needs residents to live in it and everything else that is important to make it good to live and work in.

Miti - age 9

I think that a school from the future needs hi-tech equipment, helpful robots and a futuristic, smooth look. Also, it needs people that are used to the great technology.

Aleks - age 10

My sustainable city would have: •renewable energy, e.g., solar panels, wind turbines •less petrol and diesel cars-more electric charging points, free parking for electric cars, more bike lanes, better public transport •more glass and less plastic buildings, drinks.

Ethan - age 10

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Whose responsibility is it to help endangered animals?



In the news this week

Australia has announced that koalas are now listed as an endangered species across most of its east coast, after a huge drop in numbers. The country's environment minister, Sussan Ley, said that koalas, which had been listed as being vulnerable, would now be listed as endangered in the states of New South Wales, Queensland, and the Australian Capital Territory. Scientists have been warning for many years that the native marsupial's habitats were being hit by drought, bushfires, and land development.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you know any other animals that are at risk of extinction?
- > Can you think of ways that we can help animals that are endangered? E.g., raising awareness or giving donations to charity.
- > Currently, do you think enough is being done to help, when a species becomes at risk of extinction?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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