

## Friday/Dydd Gwener 27.10.23

### Reminders

#### Back to school letter

If you missed it, please find important information and dates for the year ahead on our website.

#### Further dates for the term ahead: HALF TERM NEXT WEEK

6<sup>th</sup> November – *Donations of Christmas jumpers to be brought to school ready for Christmas jumper day* | Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November – Parent-teacher meetings | 17<sup>th</sup> November – *Children in Need* | 20<sup>th</sup> November – INSET day



### Parent-teacher meetings – week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> November. (NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THAT WEEK)

Parent-teacher meetings will be held between 3.30pm and 6pm, face-to-face in the school hall, on:

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November for all classes. Class teachers will be sending out booking forms shortly - please book directly with the class teacher.

### Exhibition weeks

Due to the popularity of our exhibition days last year, we are holding additional sessions per class. Class teachers will be in contact directly with the dates and times of your child's class session.

### Harvest Mass

Today the children attended Mass at St David and St Patrick Church for our harvest Celebration Mass. The children read beautifully, and it was delightful to hear the church filled with their singing and to see many familiar faces in the congregation. Thank you to those who attended and supported our children.

### Advent Charity – CAFOD World Gifts

This year the Department of Spiritual Life have asked that instead of sending in Christmas Cards that the children bring the money that would have been used to buy Christmas cards instead. Each class will collect their money and will chose a gift from CAFOD's World gifts.

### Sponsored Bounce

The children (and some of the staff, too!) had a wonderful time taking part in the sponsored bounce, earlier this week. Many thanks go to the Friends of Mary Immaculate who gave up their time to organise and count all the bounces!

### CAFOD workshops

On Wednesday, Anne and Jane from CAFOD visited our school. They explained how it is CAFOD's mission to help people overseas. They spoke about the Catholic Social Teachings during our whole school assembly, and a few classes took part in a workshop. We liked how the teachings were described as God's treasures.

*Reported by Connie – Mae, Nell and Leila (Faith Ambassadors)*

### Changes to morning drop-off

In the last week, our Department of Health and Wellbeing have written to me to propose changes that will support their wish to have more playtime together. From Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, we will be trialling changes to morning drop-off, where we ask parents to drop their child off at the gate and not come onto the playground. Teachers will supervise play for learners dropped off at the gate and learners in breakfast club from 8.30am until the start of the school day. The Nursery/Reception entrance will be open for parents dropping learners off to Amroth class. In rainy conditions, learners will go straight into classes as usual. We will review this change over the next few weeks with the Department of Health and Wellbeing.



### Sneak peak into our learning for next week!

#### Dosbarth Newgale

After half term, in maths we will be building on our knowledge of rounding numbers and working to round numbers to the nearest 10 and 100.

#### Dosbarth Druidston

After half term we will be using our suspense toolkit and the boxing up method to help us plan and write our finding story.

#### Dosbarth Whitesands

Following our half term holiday, we will be inviting another visitor into our class. A local post person will be joining us to tell us all about his role in the working world.

#### Dosbarth Abereiddy

We are looking forward to attending Crucial Crew on Tuesday. We will attend workshops from different emergency services to raise awareness of safety issues.

### Week beginning 6 November 2023

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Dydd Llun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donations of pre-loved Christmas jumpers</li> <li>• Swimming for Dosbarth Abereiddy and Dosbarth Whitesands</li> <li>• Fun and fitness club (only booked pupils)</li> <li>• Clwb Cymraeg Y3-4 (only booked pupils)</li> </ul>
Dydd Mawrth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 6 to Crucial Crew in the afternoon</li> <li>• Visitor to Dosbarth Whitesands</li> </ul>
Dydd Mercher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swansea City Sessions</li> <li>• Y3-6 Cross Country club (only booked pupils)</li> <li>• Y2 Nature Nurturers (only booked pupils)</li> <li>• Healthy Minds Club Y5-6 (only booked pupils)</li> </ul>
Dydd Iau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dosbarth Whitesands – rugby session at Pembrokeshire college</li> <li>• Chatterbooks Club Y3-4 (only booked pupils)</li> <li>• Expressive Arts Club Y1 (only booked pupils)</li> <li>• Netball Y5-6 (only booked pupils)</li> </ul>
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**Attentive** to their experience and to their vocation; and **discerning** about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

# Caught Moments

To receive a 'caught moment' at Mary Immaculate School is very special. This means you have been caught living out our virtues. Each week we will be taking time to celebrate how are children are living out our virtues.



<p>Mrs Joseph caught <b>Ameila Peel</b> being <b>loving</b> towards another child who had fallen over.</p>	<p>Mrs Kerrison caught <b>Jack Tinsley</b> and <b>Tommy Beach</b> <b>generously</b> giving their time regularly to set up the projector and laptop for all assemblies.</p>
<p>Miss Williams caught <b>Seren Harwood-Littlehales</b> and <b>Taylor Pemberthy</b> <b>eloquently</b> speaking to the class about the importance of being respectful citizens and making the right choices.</p>	<p>Mrs Sims caught <b>Zakariah Keskin</b> showing <b>compassion</b> for his friends in the playground this week.</p>
<p>Mrs Tweedie caught <b>Izabela Iorgulescu</b> always being <b>generous</b> with her time and helping others.</p>	

**Compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and **loving** by their just actions and forgiving words.

**Eloquent** and **truthful** in what they say of themselves, the relations between people, and the world.

**Learned**, finding God in all things; and **wise** in the ways they use their learning for the common good.

**Intentional** in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and **prophetic** in the example they set to others.

**Faith-filled** in their beliefs and **hopeful** for the future

**Curious** about everything; and **active** in their engagement with the world, changing what they can for the better.

**Grateful** for their own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and **generous** with their gifts, now and in the future.

# Seren yr wythnos

*Well done to all our learners who have been chosen as our merit winners. What stars we have this week!*

Dosbarth Druidston

## Summer Trew

For approaching each task with great enthusiasm and positivity and being a role model for others in class.

Dosbarth Little Haven

## Nevaeh Hughes

For engaging enthusiastically in RE with week. You were able to talk about many of the signs and symbols used in baptism.

Dosbarth Whitesands

## Maya Wasilewska

For being extremely hard working and focused in all areas of the curriculum.

Dosbarth Newgale

## Frankie Willoughby

For being such a positive and impressive role model to others, at all times!

Dosbarth Abereidddy

## Ashwin Anish

For being a positive role model to all pupils in our school. Ashwin's manners are impeccable, and it has been a delight to welcome him to our class.

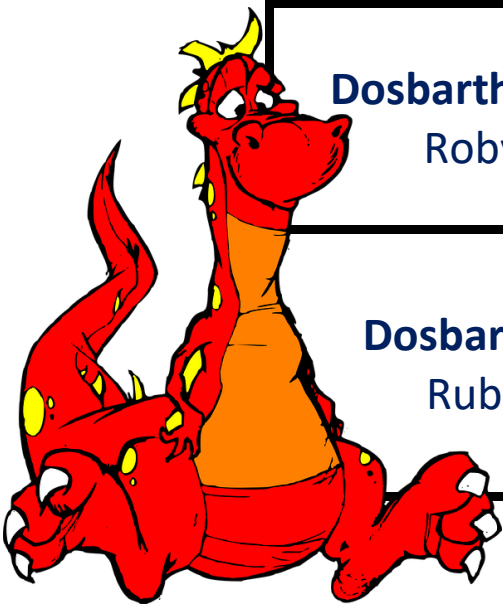


# Siaradwr yr wythnos!



*Well done to all our learners who have been chosen for working so hard on their Welsh speaking this week!*

<b>Dosbarth Amroth</b> Hari Freeman	<b>Dosbarth Druidston</b> Lucy Field
<b>Dosbarth Little Haven</b> Robyn Smith	<b>Dosbarth Whitesands</b> Chloe Kplomedo
<b>Dosbarth Newgale</b> Ruby Crimlis	<b>Dosbarth Abereiddy</b> Taylor Pemberthy



True North



Dear Lord,  
 Thank you for this holiday - an extra chance for fun and play.  
 There's so much I can learn and do, even if I'm not in school.  
 All the beauty and gifts abound, the world you created is all around.  
 Today's a chance to go explore, try new things, and discover more.  
 I'll miss my teacher and my friends, just as happens on weekends.  
 But I know that for today, I'm thankful for this holiday.  
 Amen

