

Friday/Dydd Gwener 23.12.22

Reminders

- The children return to school on Tuesday 10th January, the staff have an INSET training day on Monday 9th January.

Parish Links

Please find the parish newsletter on the link below for the 4th Sunday of Advent: [8.12.22](#)

Ten Ten Parent Newsletter

[Newsletter - December](#)



Christmas activities

- Last week, Dosbarth Amroth & Dosbarth Little Haven went to FF Dancers for their Christmas outing, they enjoyed a fun morning creating their own advent wreaths, making snowman biscuits and learning a Christmas dance. A big diolch yn fawr to Finola at FF Dancers. Thank you also to the Friends of Mary Immaculate who made a donation towards the Christmas craft for this trip and they paid for the buses for Y2-6 to attend the pantomime. Diolch yn fawr.
- On Wednesday, Dosbarth Little Haven shared their learning with us in their Advent Assembly. I think you would all agree the children performed wonderfully and we are very proud of them all. It was great to see so many languages represented during the assembly and how confident all the children were in sharing their learning with the audience. Thank you to Mrs Blair and Mrs Priestley for all their hard work in preparing them so well.
- The whole school put their numeracy skills to the test during our Christmas enterprise fair yesterday. A sincere thank you to our school community for the wonderful turn out to support our pupils. Over £90 was raised in the raffle for a sweet platter which was donated by Elijah Jones' family - diolch! The total amount raised from all the stalls will be announced after the Christmas holidays. Thank you so much once again for your support.
- "The best way to spread Christmas cheer, is singing loud for all to hear!" The choir performed beautifully in Vincent Davies this week and shared what they have been preparing with Mr Morris. Diolch to Miss Edwards for organising the event as Expressive Arts lead, and to all the staff and parents that shared their support for the children on the evening.

Attendance

Our Attendance Ambassadors have been busy! As a result of our attendance analysis, they can see how many wonderful experiences are being missed by so many pupils. (Last week's attendance on page 5) They have a few strategies which they are trying out, one of which was shared in assembly today. Every child who had above 98% attendance for the whole term was put into a class draw. Two pupils from each class were selected and they chose a prize, we will do the same at Easter and in the summer. Diolch to the Attendance Ambassadors for taking their role seriously and for doing such a good job.

Jesse tree

'A Jesse Tree is a bit like an Advent calendar, but using a daily Bible story about someone in Jesus' family tree to help us prepare spiritually as we move towards Christmas.' The Faith Ambassadors took the lead with the Jesse Tree yet again this year. Children throughout the school have learnt all about Jesus's family tree through stories, then they add the icon to the Jesse tree each week. This afternoon, the Faith Ambassadors chose where they would like the tree to be planted in our school grounds, they chose the Grotto.

A message of thanks...

Our sincere thanks for such generosity shown by our families. It has been wonderful to share in the Christmas magic with the children this week. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas with your families and loved ones. We wish you a happy and holy Christmas. Nadolig Llawen pawb!

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Dosbarth Little Haven

'Created and Loved by God.'

The children will be to the story from the Gospel of Matthew, when Jesus welcomed all of the little children to come to Him. The five-story sessions encourage children to understand that they are created by God out of love and for love.

Dosbarth Marloes:

'What Am I Feeling?'

This session introduces emotions and feelings as complex and changeable things that we sometimes find difficult to understand or explain - especially when hormones are involved. Children will learn to examine their feelings, and try to understand them and what causes them.



Week beginning 9.1.22

Dydd Llun	INSET DAY - No school for the children
Dydd Mawrth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The children's first day back. • Music sessions with Mr Morris
Dydd Mercher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swansea City Football sessions - Y5&6
Dydd Iau	
Dydd Gwener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole school achievement assembly

Siaradwr yr wythnos

Amroth - Phoebe Field
 Marloes - Scarlett Dunning
 Newgale - Serena Beretton
 Druidston - Olive Jones
 Whitesands - Jack Tinsley
 Abereddy - Sophie Bradley



Merit Certificates



Congratulations to all our stars this week!



		Dosbarth Newgale	<p>Charlie Taylor “For the impressive effort that he has been putting towards all learning activities this half term.”</p> <p>Marni Fox “For her outstanding effort, positive outlook and continuously setting herself high standards in all she does.”</p>
Dosbarth Amroth	<p>Ellie-Mai Davies “For being a caring friend to our new nursery peers and her excellent leadership skills when walking to FF Dance Studio for our Christmas trip!”</p> <p>Ioan Pritchard “For his excellent understanding of money and combining two costs to make different totals. Very impressive loan, da iawn!”</p>	Dosbarth Druidston	<p>Elinga Stankeviciute “For being an incredibly determined member of the class and showing enthusiasm throughout everything that she does!”</p> <p>Mason McNabney “For being a brilliant entrepreneur during our enterprise afternoon and using his numeracy skills to help calculate costs and profit.”</p>
Dosbarth Little Haven	<p>Joshua Reynolds “For doing lots of work during our school closure day and coming back to school knowing all his lines for our assembly.”</p> <p>Abdul Samir Al Taani “For an excellent first term in Year 1. He always gives his best and has grown in confidence – demonstrating this in his clear, confident speaking in our class assembly!”</p>	Dosbarth Whitesands	<p>Blwyddyn 5 “For representing the school beautifully on their trip to Cardiff. Lots of fun had by all!”</p> <p>George Carruthers “For his positive attitude and always trying his very best, as demonstrated in his singing and Welsh work this week!”</p>
Dosbarth Marloes	<p>Leo Hudgell “For giving 100% in every task and being an excellent role model to others.”</p> <p>Elise Quigley “For having a fantastic week, working hard in all areas and being very helpful around the class.”</p>	Dosbarth Abereddy	<p>Amanda Kapsule “For demonstrating excellent skimming and scanning skills whilst using reading eggs!”</p> <p>Logan Free “For being an active cabinet member and always showing enthusiasm in his role within the department of communication!”</p>

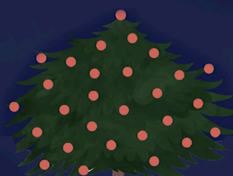


*As we get ready for Christmas, there's so many things to do!
I'm trying to remember. Jesus, that it all comes back to you.
I am a part of your family, a branch on this Jesse Tree.
Help me listen to this story, and what it is saying to me.*

Amen

*Father God, we thank you for the story we have heard today.
Jesus, please help me to get ready to welcome you at Christmas.
Holy Spirit, please show me how I can put these ideas into action in my life.*

Amen



Tweet of the week!



Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary S...
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“The best way to spread Christmas cheer, is singing loud for all to hear!”
Our school choir certainly did that this week! They sang beautifully for shoppers in Vincent Davies. It was wonderful to see how much the children took from this experience.

🌲 Nadolig Llawen pawb! 🌲



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Curriculum for Wales - Four purposes

Dosbarth Marloes and Dosbarth Whitesands have been exploring what it means to be 'Ethical, Informed citizens'. They decided upon and created the images to match the statements. To find information about the new curriculum for Wales please click the link below:

<https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales>



We know the world is full of different cultures



Are knowledgeable about the culture, community, society and the world, now and in the past

I know about the different people and places around us and all over the world, now and in the past.



Are knowledgeable about their culture, community, society and the world now and in the past

'Living and Learning in the Light of Christ'



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We would like to link more closely with businesses in our local area. If you think you know of a business that would like to link with our school, please message Mrs Evans in the office and we will send them a letter. The children are really keen to go on visits, and to have visitors to school as it enriches our curriculum offer and it makes learning fun! Please share - diolch.

Headteacher: Miss S Mansfield

Acting Deputy Headteacher: Mrs L Priestley

Wednesday 21st December 2022

Hello,

My name is Logan Free, and I am pupil from Mary Immaculate Catholic School. I am writing to you in my role as Cabinet Member of the Department of Communication. We want to help our community by solving real life problems. We know there are real benefits of community involvement, and we would like to make stronger links within Pembrokeshire. Our community has so much to offer we feel your expertise would really help our school and our learning. At Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary School, we are kind, caring and we would welcome you to work alongside us.

The curriculum for Wales states:

"Instilling learners with passion and pride in themselves, their communities and their country is central to the four purposes. Learners should be grounded in an understanding of the identities, landscapes and histories that come together to form their *cynefin*. This will not only allow them to develop a strong sense of their own identity and well-being, but to develop an understanding of others' identities and make connections with people, places and histories elsewhere in Wales and across the world."

"The curriculum should provide learners with the means by which to imagine both Wales' future, and their own roles in its unfolding story."

We would like to hear from you, what are the needs in our community? We would like to give our learning purpose and provide authentic contexts and meaningful problems for us to solve. Would you like to have a positive impact on the future of Pembrokeshire? We believe we have a joint responsibility for making our community the best it can be, please work collaboratively with us to achieve this goal.

If you are interested in working with the school, or have any problems that you feel we could help fix in our community or if you would like to promote any community events, please email admin.maryimmaculate@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

We look forward to working with you,

Logan Free,
Department of Communication

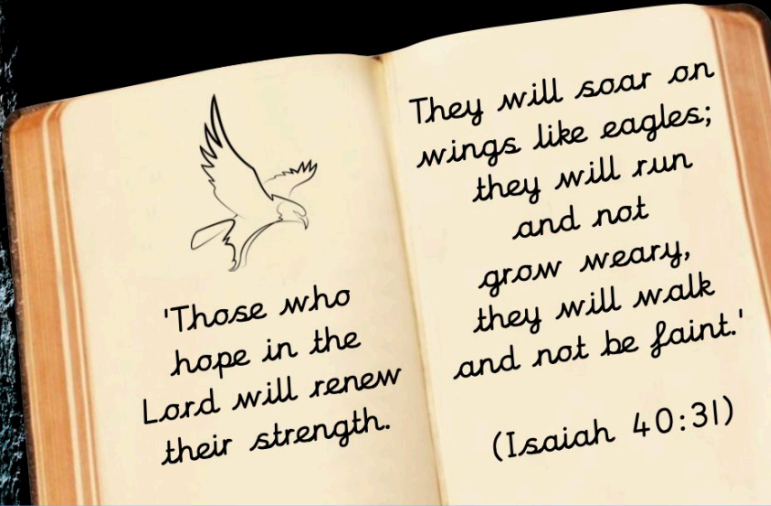
Message supported by the Pupil Leadership Team and the Cabinet Members at Mary Immaculate.

Faith-filled and Hopeful



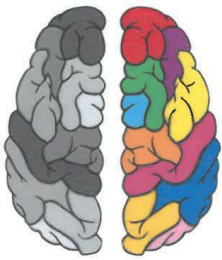
This is our Catholic Pupil Profile Virtue this half-term:
Faith-filled in their beliefs and **hopeful** for the future.'

We challenge you to demonstrate your understanding of what it means to be faith-filled and hopeful and share this virtue with others. This could be through acts of kindness, writing a hopes and dreams list, making artwork inspired by the scripture or by creating a special prayer.



Prizes will be awarded to creative and original interpretations of the virtue. Pob Lwc!

Ready & Respectful



Faith Filled & Hopeful

Attendance WB 12.12.22	
Dosbarth Amroth (R)	63.2%
Dosbarth Little Haven	77.5%
Dosbarth Marloes	85.9%
Dosbarth Newgale	81.5%
Dosbarth Druidston	91.7%
Dosbarth Whitesands	80.5%
Dosbarth Abereddy	79.5%
Whole school total	79.6%

Understanding the symptoms of iGAS and Scarlet Fever



Treat at home

If your child has any of the following:

- Sore throat
- Headache

Cold and flu like symptoms are very common at this time of year, especially in children.



[Read more](#)

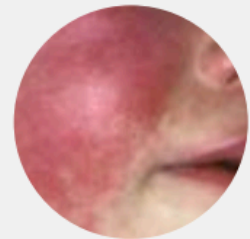
Most will have a common seasonal virus, which can be treated at home by keeping the child hydrated, and with paracetamol.



Contact NHS 111 Wales

If your child also develops any of the following:

- Fever
- Nausea or vomiting
- A fine red rash, which typically first appears on the chest and stomach. Older children may not have the rash.



Contact NHS 111 Wales or your GP for advice.



Contact GP straight away

If your child has any of the following:

- Fever (a high temperature above 38°C)
- Severe muscle aches
- Localised muscle tenderness
- Redness at the site of a wound

Contact your GP or get medical advice straight away.



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