



# St Joseph's Primary weekly update

*"We grow together in God's Love as we pray, learn and play"*

*"Dyn ni'n tyfu gyda'n gilydd mewn cariad Duw wrth i ni weddio, dysgu a chwarae"*



## Week Beginning: 2/12/24

Please also see Class Dojo messages and 'My week' on our School Website

What a great start to Advent! Fr Jose, Fr Philip and Fr Shinto came to school for our service of Reconciliation. The children were very reverent and participated fully. Fr Jose commented on the children's impeccable behaviour, their strong singing and loud reading, which I wholeheartedly agree with! A perfect way to prepare ourselves for Christmas.

On Tuesday we celebrated E-Safety day, with all classes learning about how to stay safe online.

On Wednesday, Dosbarth Cadoc Sant celebrated their class assembly on the theme of Promises. The children read, sang and conveyed their message beautifully. Thank you again parents, it was lovely to see everyone there following their child's faith journey with us.

Our Parent and Carer prayer group continues on a Wednesday morning. We meet each Wednesday in the annex at 9.00 – 9.15 and it is a lovely way to start the day. Thank you again to all who attended this week. It is lovely to see governors, parents and staff coming together to pray. We have tea, coffee and a chat afterwards and it would be lovely to see some more parents join us! If you are unable to come to the parent's and carers prayer group, there is a box outside the HT office if any members of our school community would like our group to pray for any special intention. Please put your intention in the prayer box and we will pray for you. The intentions will then be folded up and put on our prayer wall in reception.

On Wednesday and Thursday Dwynwen Sant went on educational visits and participated in workshops – Crucial Crew and Teen Tech. The organisers of the events commented on the excellent behaviour and manners of the children. Well done Year 6 for representing St Joseph's so well! Thank you to Mr Cobb for organising the trips and for Miss Chinnick and Mrs Jackson for accompanying the children.

Friday was full of fun! We all took part in the Reindeer run, raising money for City Hospice and the wonderful work that they carry out in the city of Cardiff - [About Us - City Hospice](#). We were overwhelmed by your generosity and are delighted to inform you that you have raised an incredible £1,883.10 with even more promised. A huge thank you !!!

On a personal note, having used the expertise of City Hospice, Mrs Rebecca Bullen would like to thank everybody from the bottom of her heart – this money means a lot to the charity to continue their amazing work in the community.

In the afternoon we enjoyed watching the dress rehearsal of David Sant's production, Whoops a Daisy Angel. Those parents coming to watch it next week are in for a real treat!

Congratulations to our new Governors. Rev Joshua Parmar was elected as Parent Governor and Mrs Sui Bawitlungova is our Non-Teaching Governor. We also welcome Jenny Cater as our Local Authority Governor. We thank you for volunteering for these roles and look forward to working together to make a positive difference for our whole school community.

### **Class Prayer of the week**

Dear God,

come into our world of darkness

Light up our lives with your coming.

Fulfil all our longings with the joy of your birth

Strengthen our hearts and minds to work for change in our world

And to share the hope of your birth that each Advent brings.

Amen.

**SOS IF you haven't signed up already!!!!**

**Do you shop in ASDA and have the ASDA rewards app?**

**Could all parent please look at the latest Dojo message about the Asda Reward app, and join up so that we can improve our school further with donations from Asda.** We need to be quick as this offer finishes on 30<sup>th</sup> November. Do you shop in ASDA and have the ASDA rewards app?

Please look for cashpot for schools on the apps homepage and sign up to help St Joseph's Primary. Every time you shop, ASDA will donate a percentage towards our school. It's free and easy to do.

1. Make sure you have the app

<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

2. Open the cashpot for school link (has a photo of Joe Wicks)

3. Input our school postcode CF14 3BL

4. Click St Joseph's Primary, 204 North Road, Cardiff

5. Press submit.

Every time you use the app when shopping a donation will then be sent to school. Thank you so much for all your support!

## Attendance

Well Done to Gwynno Sant, Cadoc Sant, Tydfil Sant and Dwynwen Sant who have all had over 94% attendance for last week!

CLASS	W/C 25/11/24
Non Sant - Nurs AM	85.49%
Non Sant- Nurs PM	92.51%
David Sant- Rec/Y1	89.92%
Illtyd Sant- Y1/Y2	89.84%
Teilo Sant - Y2/Y 3	93.19%
Gwynno Sant - Y3/4	94.74%
Cadoc Sant- Y4	94.47%
Tydfil Sant- Y5	95.37%

Dwynwen Sant - Y6	95.86%
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## Safeguarding

We are **all** responsible for ensuring that children and adults at risk are kept safe. This means everyone in our St Joseph's community.

### **How do we Safeguard at St Joseph's ?**

Staff safeguard by doing the things below:

- Understand what is meant by safeguarding
- Recognise the different types of abuse and their signs, symptoms, indicators and behaviours that may indicate a child or adult is being abused or is at risk of harm
- Understand what to do if we are concerned about a child or adult at risk
- Understand our own role and responsibility with regard to suspicion or disclosure of abuse
- Understand our **duty to report** a concern or incident when we become aware of it

If a child discloses that they have been harmed we **MUST** report this to the Designated Safeguarding Person or Headteacher immediately as we have a duty of care. This is then referred to the Multi Agency Referral Hwb. Please also look at the information on our web site on the parents dropdown under 'Safeguarding'

## Keeping safe online

**Social Media** - All parents should be aware that children under the age of 13 are technically not allowed to have social media accounts on platforms like Facebook, Instagram, or Snapchat due to the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA). However, many children do have accounts with parental consent, so it's crucial for parents to monitor their children's online activity closely and ensure they understand the risks associated with social media, such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content, and privacy issues. Additionally, parents should learn about privacy settings and parental controls available on various platforms to help protect their children online. Please see the following website for more information:

[Social media guides - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Please also see the information on our web site on the parents drop down under 'Online safety'.

## Cymraeg Campus

Cymraeg Campus is our new welsh language charter that is taking place in schools across Wales. We have recently Gained the Bronze Award. 😊

The aim of Cymraeg Campus is to:-

- improve levels of welsh within the school
- increase pupils enjoyment of welsh
- Celebrate our nationality and all things welsh.



As part of this we have a Welsh Phrase of the week each week.

This week's phrase is:

Llinell i fyny'n dawel os gwelwch yn dda.

**Line up quietly please.**

Please practice with your child and use it whenever you can.

### We are a Gold Rights Respecting School

As a Catholic school, along with our faith and values, the concept behind the RRS journey is at the core of what we teach and how our children develop. RRS is all about protecting the rights of our children and their families and has supported us to highlight equality, diversity and inclusion throughout the curriculum. In our rights respecting school, children learn about their rights and the responsibilities that are implied. Our children learn that if they have rights, they need to respect the rights of others. Please talk about these rights with your children.



**This Month's Right for November is: Article 19**

**"You have the right to be safe"**

### Our Values and Virtues

As a Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Cardiff, we have embraced the Catholic Schools' Pupil Profile, which teaches the children a set of eight pairs of virtues to be internalised and cultivated -enabling them to grow in wholeness as fully rounded individuals in the image of God. Each half Term we explore ways in which we can develop in our virtues and values. Please discuss these virtues with your child and how they can incorporate them in to their lives. The virtues we are looking at this half term are:

**"Intentional and Prophetic"**

**Pupils are growing to be intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the Earth: and prophetic in the example they set to others.**

**As always, check our ClassDojo for school messages and upcoming dates for activities by clicking next event > view all >on the horizon for all events. Check X ( formerly Twitter) and Our Week on the school website for class photos of activities and events.**

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**ARTICLE 28 (UN Convention of the Rights of the Child)**

**“You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged  
to go to school to the highest level you can”**

