



ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER - WE 16TH MAY 2025

"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"



May Right of the Month - Article 24 "You have the right to be as healthy as possible"



Pairs of Virtues for this Half Term - "Compassionate and Loving"

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.

UPCOMING DATES

MAY 2025

wc 16th - Test Week

Mon 19th - May Procession at 2pm

Wed 21st - St Cadoc Class Assembly at 2.50pm

Thurs 22nd - Pilgrims of Hope Staff Handover

Fri 23rd - Pilgrims Walk to Christ the King

HALF TERM

MON 26TH TO FRI 30TH MAY 2025

JUNE 2025

Wed 4th - St Tydfil Class Assembly at 2.50pm

Wed 11th - St Gwynno Class Assembly at 2.50pm

Thurs 12th - School Group Photographs

Thurs 12th - St Tydfil Class Mass at 2.30pm

Mon 16th - Year 4 Swimming begins for 2 weeks

Wed 18th - Sports Day at Maindy

Thurs 19th - St Cadoc Class Mass at 2.30pm

Mon 23rd - Y6 Transition Music Day at CCHS

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Wed 25th - St Illtyd Class Assembly at 2.50pm

Wed 25th - New Reception Parents Evening

Mon 30th - Y6 Transition Day at CCHS

Mon 30th - Whole School Transition morning

JULY 2025

Wed 3rd - St Gwynno Class Mass at 2.30pm

Thurs 4th - St Tydfil Pilgrimage Mass at The Cathedral

Mon 7th - Leavers Mass at The Cathedral

Thurs 8th - Design to Smile Team in school

Tues 15th - Rock Steady Concert

Wed 16th - Y6 Leavers Assembly at 2.30pm

Thurs 17th - Y6 Leavers Mass 2.15pm in school

Mon 21st - Last Day of School - school open

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

TUES 22ND JULY 2025 TO MON 1ST SEP 2025

SEPTEMBER 2025

Mon 1st - INSET DAY - School Closed to Pupils

Tues 2nd - INSET DAY - School Closed to Pupils

Wed 3rd - School Open - Children back today

HEADTEACHER REVIEW OF THE WEEK

The Headteacher Assembly this week focused on the Gospel reading of the previous day - The Lost Sheep.



The assembly celebrated that Jesus is alive, He is our friend, and we can listen to and follow His voice. Through a story about a wayward sheep and then the Gospel reading, the children thought about whose voice they choose to listen to - and that if we want to follow Jesus' voice, we need to recognise it!

Fr Scanlan had a busy week with us. On Tuesday he celebrated a class liturgy in Dosbarth St Illtyd and on Thursday a class liturgy in Dosbarth Dewi Sant. Both liturgies were beautifully presented by the pupils and emphasised the importance of our families and belonging. Thank you to all the family and friends who came to celebrate with us.

Dosbarth St Teilo gave us an opportunity to think about spreading the good news of Pentecost and reflecting on the gifts of the Holy Spirit during their assembly on Wednesday. Da iawn pawb - you delivered the message clearly for all to hear!

Our football team participated in a tournament at St Philip Evans on Thursday. The result may not have gone our way, but their hard work, determination and team spirit made us all proud! It was lovely to see a sea of green on Thursday to raise awareness for mental health day.

On Monday at 2pm we have a liturgy in honour of Our Lady - all are welcome.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend.

Mrs Wheeler - Headteacher



OFFICE OPENING TIMES

The office opening hours are as follows:-

8.45am - 12.30pm

1.00pm - 3.45pm



The office is closed for 30 minutes at lunchtimes to enable Mrs Ekstrom-Gabb to have her lunch. If collecting your child from school or bringing them back from appointments, please do not bring them between 12.30pm-1.00pm as you will be unable to gain access to the school. Thank you for your co-operation

PARENTS

Our Parent and Carer Prayer Group continues on a Wednesday also. We meet each Wednesday in the annex at 9.00 - 9.15. It is a really 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 this week. Each Wednesday morning just after 9.00. All are welcome.

Our Parent Council Group meets every half term. In order to keep moving the school forward, the views of the whole school community is very important. The Parent Council has been established to ensure your views are heard and ideally acted upon. If you have any issues or positive suggestions you would like to bring to the Council's attention, please write them on a piece of paper and post it in the suggestion box outside the school office. If you wish to remain anonymous, this is absolutely fine.



ATTENDANCE

Well Done to St Dwywen who had the highest attendance for the week commencing 5th May 2025.

Attendance is improving, so thank you all for your co-operation.
DA IAWN DWYNWEN SANT !!

St Non AM - 83.33%	St Teilo - 96.25%
St Non PM - 89.58%	St Gwynno - 97.92%
St David - 89.42%	St Cadoc - 96.97%
St Illtyd - 92.19%	St Tydfil - 97.41%
St Dwywen - 98.79%	★



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please click on the link below to see St Joseph's Church Parish Newsletter



[St Joseph's Parish Newsletter](#)

Please remember in your prayers all those in our parish and school community who are unwell at this time

PRAYER OF WEEK

Dear God

Thank you for my beloved family

Thank you for the water that we drink and the food that we eat

Thank you for my friends and for my house

Please look after them and help them be healthy and safe

Amen

BY FRASER FROM Y4 CADOC SANT



WELSH PHRASE OF WEEK

Dw i ddim yn siwr
I'm not sure



P4C (Philosophy for Children) at St Joseph's

At St Joseph's, we are proud to be developing Philosophy for Children (P4C) across the school. P4C encourages children to think deeply, ask big questions, and listen respectfully to the views of others. Each week, we'll be sharing a thought-provoking question to help spark meaningful discussions at home.

TRUE

This week's question to discuss at home is:
"Can something be true and false at the same time?"

FALSE

Try exploring this together during dinner, on a walk, or at bedtime. There's no right or wrong answer — instead, we look for better reasons and best reasons to explain our thinking. It's all about thinking and talking together.

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.

If a child makes a disclosure 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 parent's 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'

