



ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER - WE 23rd 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

HALF TERM
MON 26TH TO FRI 30TH MAY 2025



JUNE 2025

Mon 2nd - Spectrum Workshops - St Teilo & St Tydfil
Wed 4th - St Tydfil Class Assembly at 2.50pm

WEEK COMMENCING 9TH JUNE - INTERNATIONAL WEEK

Mon 9th - Spectrum Workshop for Parents 2.30pm Hall
Wed 11th - St Gwynno Class Assembly at 2.50pm
Thurs 12th - School Group Photographs
Thurs 12th - St Tydfil Class Mass at 2.30pm
Friday 13th - Day of Welcome
Mon 16th - Year 4 Swimming begins for 2 weeks
Wed 18th - Sports Day at Maindy - morning
Thurs 19th - St Cadoc Class Mass at 2.30pm
Mon 23rd - Y6 Transition Music Day at CCHS
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Tues 24th - St Tydfil Cycling Festival at Maindy
Wed 25th - St Illyd Class Assembly at 2.50pm
Wed 25th - New Reception Parents Evening
Thurs 26th - St Gwynno Smoke Free Workshops
Friday 27th - PA Summer Fete at 3.30pm
Mon 30th - Y6 Transition Day at CCHS
Mon 30th - Whole School Transition morning

JULY 2025

Tues 1st - St David Class Assembly
Wed 2nd - St Tydfil/St Dwynwen - Oliver with a Twist 2pm & 6pm
Thurs 3rd - St Gwynno Class Mass at 2.30pm
Fri 4th - St Tydfil Pilgrimage Mass at The Cathedral
Mon 7th - Leavers Mass at The Cathedral
Tues 8th - Design to Smile Team in school
Wed 9th - St Gwynno/St Cadoc - Puss in Boots 2pm & 6pm
Thurs 10th - St Dwynwen Leavers Trip to Cardiff Bay
Fri 11th - Reports to Parents
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

Headteacher's Assembly based on the Gospel reading - 18/5/25

Jesus said, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

John 13:34-35



On Monday, Fr Scanlan came to celebrate a beautiful liturgy in honour of Our Lady. Thank you for the donations of flowers which have now been planted in the school grounds. On Wednesday, Dosbarth St Cadoc presented their assembly on the theme of saints. We were sent out with the mission to try and live like saints. Thank you to Rev Parmar for coming to share an assembly with the whole school on Wednesday morning.

All Catholic schools in Cardiff and the Vale are taking part in a Pilgrims' Walk especially for Jubilee Year. A specially designed staff is being passed from school to school, culminating in it being received into the Cathedral, where all the pilgrims will celebrate a special Mass. This week, the Pilgrims from Holy Family Primary School walked to St Joseph's to present us with the staff. The whole school made a guard of honour in the playground to cheer and welcome them in. We then celebrated with a pilgrim's liturgy where the staff was placed in our trust. On Friday, 10 pilgrims from St Joseph's walked to Christ the King Primary School. The walk took about 1 hour and 15 minutes, but they didn't complain once! The pilgrims relinquished responsibility for the staff and placed it in the care of Christ the King. Our pilgrims then went for a well deserved picnic at Llanishen reservoir before walking back to school

Wishing you all a very happy half term
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 Teilo for the week commencing 12th May, as they had the highest attendance at 98.67%.

As you can see, attendance in the upper classes is excellent together with the pupil of St David. Well Done ! Lets see if we can get all classes above 95% after half term !



St Non AM - 85.71%	St Teilo - 98.67%	★
St Non PM - 84.62%	St Gwynno - 97.33%	
St David - 95.60%	St Cadoc - 96.33%	
St Illtyd - 86.67%	St Tydfil - 97.24%	
	St Dwynwen - 93.55%	

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

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PRAYER OF WEEK



Father in Heaven,
May the faith you have given us,
in your Son Jesus Christ,
and in the Holy Spirit,
reawaken hope in us.
May your grace transform us
and your glory shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
be with us, as Pilgrims of Hope,
so we may spread the joy
and peace of Jesus
throughout the Earth.
To you our God,
be glory and praise forever.



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.

This week's question to discuss at home is:

What makes someone trustworthy? Can trust be rebuilt once it is broken?

Try discussing this as a family - there are no simple answers, just thoughtful ideas and better reasons!



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'

