



ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER - WE 20th June 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"



June Right of the Month - Article 31 - "You have the right to relax and play"



Pairs of Virtues for this Half Term - "faith filled and Hopeful"

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

HEADTEACHER REVIEW OF THE WEEK



- JUNE 2025**
Mon 23rd - Y6 Transition Music Day at CCHS
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Tues 24th - St Tydfil Cycling Festival at Maindy
Wed 25th - St Illtyd Class Assembly at 2.50pm
Wed 25th - New Reception Parents Evening
Thurs 26th - St Gwynno Smoke Free Workshops
Friday 27th - Y6 Leavers Prom
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 Boos 2pm & 6pm
Fri 11th - Reports to Parents
Tues 15th - Rock Steady Concert
Tues 15th - St Dwynwen Leavers Trip to Cardiff Bay
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's Assembly based on the Gospel reading - 15-6-2025-
Liturgical Year: The Solemnity of the most Holy Trinity| Year C
Key Scripture: John 16:12-13

In this week's Gospel, Jesus explains that He wants to share more with His friends, including understanding the mystery of who God is. Children will learn that to help, Jesus sends us His Holy Spirit to guide us to the truth of God's way.

I would like to begin this week's with a huge thank you to the school community for making our International Day of Welcome last Friday such a huge success! Everybody had a fantastic time eating, chatting and dancing. Thank you to the parents for generously providing the food - it was so lovely to taste traditional foods from different cultures. I'm already looking forward to next year's event! We were blessed with the weather on Wednesday for Sports Day. A little bit warm but at least it wasn't raining. There was a real buzz about the event and I think all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Mr Cobb for organising the morning and to Mr Bowen for his support in preparing the activities.

In our Progression Step assemblies this week, the pupils have been learning about The Common Good. In Catholic Social Teaching, the Common Good refers to the conditions that enable all individuals and communities to reach their full potential and live a dignified life. It emphasises shared responsibility for the well-being of everyone, especially the most vulnerable. This includes ensuring access to basic human rights eg, food, fair wages, and education, and promoting peace and justice within society. The Common Good is not just about the majority or powerful, but about the needs of all.

Please find below a link to the Ten Ten Prayer and Liturgy Parent Newsletter for June
<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>
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.



The Parent Council met on Wednesday 4th June. Among some of the issues discussed were the role of competitive sport in St Joseph's, the results of the recent Religion questionnaire and topics for future parent information afternoons. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 10th July

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 David who had the highest attendance.
This is for the week commencing 9/6/2025.

St Non AM - 86.67%	St Teilo - 94%
St Non PM - 81.7%	St Gwynno - 94.7%
St David - 96% ★	St Cadoc - 94.7%
St Illtyd - 77.6%	St Tydfil - 84.1%
	St Dwynwen - 95.2%



SAINT OF THE WEEK



Saint of the Week – St Anthony of Padua
Feast Day: June 13th
Patron Saint of lost things
https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=24

WELSH PHRASE OF WEEK

Gwrandewch yn ofalus

Listen carefully



PRAYER OF WEEK

Dear God,
Thank you for the people who give us clean water
Thank you for the doctors who look after the sick people
Thank you for people who share food
Thank you for the builders who build safe houses
Thank you for the school and teachers who help us learn - Amen

By Dosbarth Dewi Sant

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

[St Joseph's Parish Newsletter](https://www.saintjosephs.org.uk/notices/newsletter.pdf)

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

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

For the month of June, we kindly request dry food donations, which will be delivered to St. Mark's Church at the end of the month. Thank you for your generosity!



P4C (Philosophy for Children) at St Joseph's

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 a true friend?

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'

