



Holy Family RC Primary School Newsletter

"Working together as a family, following in the footsteps of Jesus, always giving our best."

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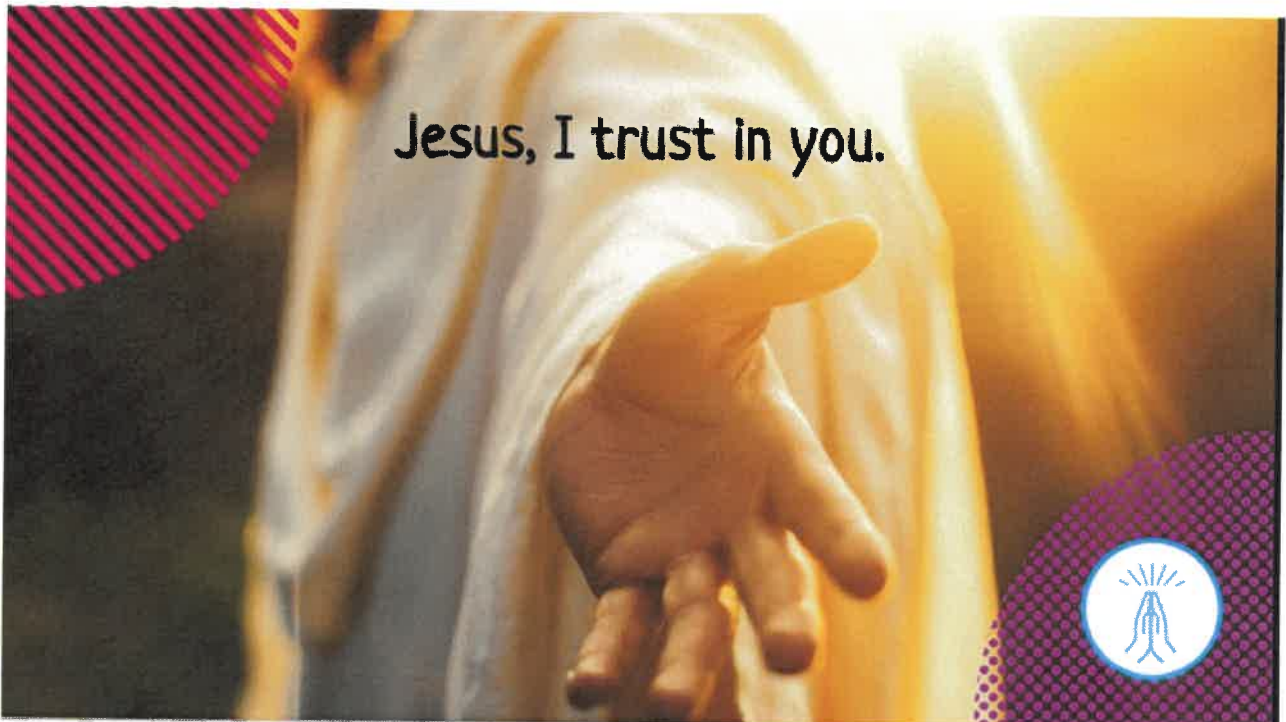
Catholic Life of the School



Ash Wednesday was on Wednesday February 18th; this marks the beginning of Lent. It is a penitential season and a time for spiritual growth. During the 40 days of Lent Christians traditionally fast, say more prayers and give alms to the needy.

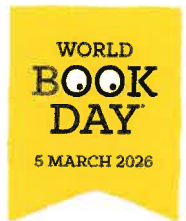


In Assembly this week we learnt about the challenges Jesus faced in the desert; each time he was tempted by the devil he said no, and yes to God. We need to follow Jesus' example and say yes, and to trust in his help in difficult times.



World Book Day

This is celebrated on Thursday 5th March. Children in Classes 1-4 can wear costumes of **characters** from books (or pyjamas if you don't have a costume). Children in Classes 5 and 6 can wear pyjamas and dressing gowns. **Please ensure that your children wear suitable footwear and bring a coat as weather permitting, they will go outside to play.** The children are encouraged to bring in their favourite book from home to share with each other. **Each child will receive a voucher for £1 to spend on a book.**



Sports Day change of date

Sports Day will now take place on Tuesday 16th June.

Easter Raffle



We hope to have an Easter Raffle again this year, it is one of the highlights of the year for the children. Teaching Personnel our Supply Teacher agency, will provide some Easter Eggs. As always we need donations from yourselves. We will sell the raffle tickets (20p each) a couple of weeks prior to the Easter holidays.

Sickness reporting and administration of medicines

If your child is unwell, please telephone the school the first morning of their absence; we have a dedicated telephone line where you can leave a message. If your child is unwell in the morning but then perks up, please bring them into school, they will then get their afternoon mark. We are happy to give antibiotics/ cough medicine, Calpol to your child, once a day. All medicine needs to be provided, and an administration of medicines form completed.

Late in the mornings

This has become a problem again, in many of the Classes. It is extremely disruptive when children are late for the following reasons:

1. **They miss the vitally important introduction to the day's learning**
2. **The Teacher has to get the Register back out to record the late mark (this stops them from teaching)**
3. **The Dinner register has to be changed (this stops the teacher from teaching)**
4. **Miss Jenkins/ Mrs Chivers/ Mrs Mills has to leave the Office to escort children to their Classroom, particularly if they are in the Foundation Phase. This leaves the Office unstaffed; the telephone and door unanswered and important administration work interrupted.**
5. **Some children receive additional learning interventions from the Teaching Assistants, these begin at 8.55, your child would then miss these short but very**



Be on time



at five to nine

important daily sessions. They cannot be rescheduled as the Teaching Assistants work to very tight timetables.

Most importantly they miss out on valuable learning opportunities and, they are often very embarrassed if they are regularly late.

Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in school for 8.55a.m.

Thank you.

Inset days 2026

Monday 1st June

Monday 20th July

Diary Dates for 2026, these will be updated regularly

March

Thursday 5th March World Book Day

Tuesday 10th March individual photographs

Friday 13th March Class 6 Assembly 3pm

Monday 16th March Y6 Residential visit to Llangrannog

Wednesday 18th March Y6 return from Llangrannog

Monday 23rd March Class 1,2 and 3 present Palm Sunday 3pm

Tuesday 24th March Class 4 present The Last Supper 3pm

Wednesday 25th March Class 5 present The Trial of Jesus and Garden of Gethsemane

Thursday 26th March Class 6 present the Crucifixion

Friday March 27th Easter Raffle

Friday 27th March school closes for the Easter holidays

April

Monday 13th April Children return to school after the Easter holidays

Monday 13th April Year 6 2-week swimming course at Fairwater Leisure begins

Wednesday 29th April **Class 5** Parental Consultation Meeting

Thursday 30th April Classes 1,2, 3, 4 and 6 Parental Consultation Evening

May

Monday 4th May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 5th May Class photographs

Wednesday 6th May **Class 5** Parental Consultation Meeting

Thursday 7th May Classes 1,2, 3, 4 and 6 Parental Consultation Evening

Thursday 14th May Class 4 assembly 3pm

Friday 22nd May school closes for Half term

Monday 25th May half term begins

Friday 29th May half term ends

June

Monday 1st June Inset Day School closed for children

Tuesday 2nd June children return to school after half term

Thursday June 11th Class 1 Assembly 3pm

Tuesday 16th June Sports Day 10am

Sunday June 21st children make their First Holy Communion 9.30am at Holy Family Church

Wednesday 24th June Sports Day if the weather is poor on the previous date

July

Thursday July 2nd Class 2 assembly 3pm

Monday 6th July Class 5 and 6 Play

Tuesday 7th July Class 5 and 6 Play

Tuesday 14th July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 17th July school closes for the summer holidays

Term Dates 2025/26

Term	Term begins	Half Term begins	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn Term	Monday 1/9/2025	Monday 27/10/2025	Friday 31/10/2025	Friday 19/12/2025
Spring Term	Monday 5/1/26	Monday 16/2/26	Friday 20/2/26	Friday 27/3/26
Summer Term <small>*4/5/26 May Day Bank Holiday</small>	Monday 13/4/26	Monday 25/5/26	Friday 29/5/26	Monday 20/7/26



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Autumn Term	Tuesday 1/9/2026	Monday 26/10/2026	Friday 30/10/2026	Friday 18/12/2026
Spring Term	Monday 4/1/27	Monday 8/2/27	Friday 12/2/27	Friday 19/3/27
Summer Term <small>* May Day Bank Holiday 3/5/27</small>	Monday 5/4/27	Monday 31/5/27	Friday 4/6/27	Tuesday 20/7/27













Caffi Cymraeg









The Criw Cymraeg would like to
invite you to a coffee morning
on Tuesday 3rd March from 10.30 -
11.30am.



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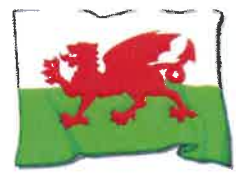


Come along and enjoy a hot
drink and Welsh cake and have
the opportunity to view examples
of the work completed in Welsh Week.





Class One



This week in Class One we have been enjoying learning about Saint David's day and completing our Eisteddfod competition entries. We have been learning a song all about making cawl and Mrs Wonnacott helped us to make our own delicious cawl to share with our friends. We also made traditional Welsh cakes and did some Welsh dancing.



Class 2
27.02.26



Class 2 have had a wonderful week preparing for their Eisteddfod celebrations and competitions! They painted the Welsh Dragon and wrote their class poem in their most beautiful handwriting. There was a fabulous abundance of 'Home Competition - Dragon Model



Class Three



We have been really busy this week in Class 3 celebrating Welsh Week.



We studied the work of Lee John Phillips a Welsh artist.

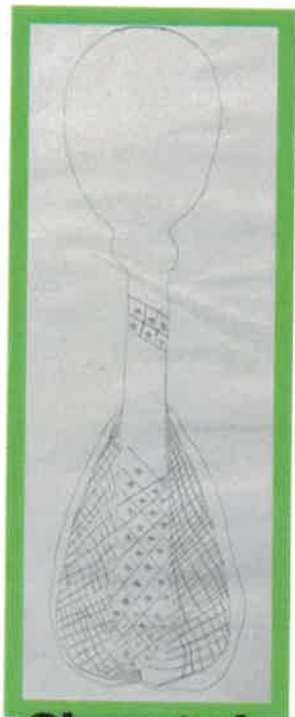
He specialises in spoon carvings.



After looking closely at his work we created our own spoon designs.

Harry

We then used clay to create our designs using a variety of tools to make marks on the spoons.



Winnie



Chaniel



Class Four.



HAPPY St. David's Day



We have been very busy during Welsh Week preparing for our Eisteddfod celebration.



WALES WEEK IN CLASS 5

This week we have prepared for the Eisteddfod with many creative lessons including art, poetry, creative writing, multimedia etc. For writing we wrote about "Pobl enwog" (famous people) and for poetry we wrote cinquain poems about Wales and Cardiff. Here are examples from Luna and Elena:

Dyma Tom Jones. Mae Tom yn wyth deg pump oed ond mae e'n benblwydd un Mehefin saith. Mae Tom yn byw yn London yn gyda Priscilla Presley. Mae e'n enwog am ei lais nerthol. Mae Tom yn hoffi Mae'n mwynhau ffilmiau a theledu achos maen nhw'n ddiddorol ond mae ddim yn mwynhau ysgewyll achos maent yn blasu'n ffiaidd. Mae e'n llygaid glas. Mae e'n gwalt llwyd.

ffeithiau hwyliog!

- wedi'i eni ym Mhontypridd.
- Dydy e ddim yn hoffi carbohydradau.
- Ei gân gyntaf oedd "Chills and Fever".
- Mae ganddo chwaer Sheila Woodward.

By Luna



"Cymru"

Cymru

Coch a gwyrdd, ancient

Acting, singing, living

The land of my fathers

Home.



"Caerdydd"

Caerdydd

Multicultural, Interesting

Playing, outgoing, expanding

A city with many fascinating stories

Cardiff

By Elena



JACOB

CLASS 6 (OUR WINNING POEM BY JACOB T)

L- LOVELY GREEN HILLS, STANDING ABOVE BUILDINGS, STANDING BRIGHT AND TRUE,

A- AMAZING LANDSCAPE, WONDERFUL VALLEYS, BEAUTIFUL, BRIGHT, GREEN GRASS TO ADMIRE,

N- NATION MIGHT FALL, BUT PRIDE AND TRUTH STAY TRUE,

D- DESIRE AND PERSISTENT, OUR LANGUAGE UNIQUE TO WALES, AND A FLAG OF LEGENDS AND MYSTERIES YET TO BE SOLVED.

O- OVER THE RAINY, WINDY AND COLD CONDITIONS, OUR CHOIR STILL SINGS,

F- FLOURISHING ON THE RAINY NIGHTS IN CARDIFF, AS PRINCIPALITY FANS ROAR THE ANTHEM.

M- MANY HISTORIES, FROM ST DWYNWEN TO OUR TRADITIONAL LOVE SPOON, WHICH WILL KEEP OUR UNIQUE STYLE ALIVE,

Y- YELLOW DAFFODILS ROAM AROUND OUR BRIGHT GREEN GRASS, WITH BRIGHT YELLOW TRUMPETS, WHICH REMIND US OF NEW LIFE AND SPRING.

F- FESTIVE WINTER WONDERLAND IN OUR CAPITAL CITY, CARDIFF

A- AMAZING TASTE OF WELSH FOOD, FROM WELSH CAKES TO LUSCIOUS LEEKS, DELICIOUS AND FULFILLING,

T- TOGETHER, WE HOLD OUR PRIDE, AND WE WILL KEEP STRONG,

H- HISTORY LAYS AS WALES STAY STRONG IN WARS AND BATTLES, FIGHTING WITH THEIR OPPONENTS WITH PRIDE AND POWER,

E- EVERY CHOIR SINGS, ECHOING THROUGH THE BRIGHT GREEN HILLS, FILLED WITH LOVELY GREEN GRASS AND BRIGHT YELLOW DAFFODILS,

R- RUGBY STANDS STRONG, AS WE SING OUR ANTHEM, PRIDE AND STRONG WITH POWER, AND A ROAR AS WE CHARGE,

S- ST DAVID, OUR PATRON SAINT, BRINGING JOY WITH THE HEAL OF A BLIND MAN USING HIS HOLY DIVINITY.

