



## 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

In the Transfiguration, Jesus chose to reveal His glory to those closest to Him. Children are invited to be Jesus' closest friends and see His glory too. This Lent, we can say "Yes!" to glorifying Jesus for who He is and the amazing love He has for us.



As a School we focus on a set of Virtues each half term. The Virtues this half term are:

#### **Intentional and Prophetic**

These Virtues will be a focus in Class and Assemblies. The children will learn about the Virtues and be encouraged to use these Virtues whenever possible, and give examples of when they use them, and how they will impact on themselves and others. To be an **Intentional** person is someone who lives deliberately; builds up their own world view and then tries to live by it. Being **prophetic** is about being seen to do good and about speaking out for what is right.

# Intentional + Prophetic



## Individual school photographs

The school photographer will visit the school on **Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>** to take **individual** and **family** photographs. We will follow the usual arrangements; if you have children **younger** than school age and you want them to be in a family photograph, the photographer will be set up in the library from **8.45 am**. Siblings who are already in school will be photographed together within the school day. You will receive proofs at the end of the day, from which you can order directly with Tempest photography.

## Class 6 Assembly

Class 6 will present their assembly for parents/ grandparents on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm** in the Hall.

## Holy Week Assemblies

Each Class/Year group will act out a **short** representation of an event from Holy Week; parents are welcome to attend:

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 3pm Palm Sunday Class 1, 2 and 3**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 3pm The Last Supper Class 4**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 3pm The agony in the Garden of Gethsemane and The Trial of Jesus- Class 5**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 3pm- The journey to Calvary and the Crucifixion – Year 6**



## 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) from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March.**

### Easter Disco

There will be an Easter disco on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March:

**Class 1, 2 and 3 3.30pm-4.30pm** the children will not need to be collected from school. The teachers will take them straight to the disco if you have bought a ticket.

**Class 4, 5 and 6 4.45pm-6.15pm**

**Hot Dog and Drink provided.**

Disco Tickets are available via ParentPay from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**, they are **£2.00**. Your tickets will be sent home with your child after you have paid for them online. We also keep a list of the children who have paid, and we check the children off the list as they come into the entrance; this is essential for fire regulations.

### Non- uniform Day

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**, cost £1.00 per child (they can wear the clothes that they are wearing to the disco).

### 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> June**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

**Diary Dates for 2026, these will be updated regularly**

### **March**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March individual photographs

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March Class 6 Assembly 3pm

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March Y6 Residential visit to Llangrannog

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March Y6 return from Llangrannog

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March Class 1,2 and 3 present Palm Sunday 3pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March Class 4 present The Last Supper 3pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March Class 5 present The Trial of Jesus and Garden of Gethsemana

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March Class 6 present the Crucifixion

Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> Easter Raffle

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March school closes for the Easter holidays**

### **April**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April Children return to school after the Easter holidays

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April Year 6 2-week swimming course at Fairwater Leisure begins

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April **Class 5** Parental Consultation Meeting

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April Classes 1,2, 3, 4 and 6 Parental Consultation Evening

### **May**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May Class photographs

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May **Class 5** Parental Consultation Meeting

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May Classes 1,2, 3, 4 and 6 Parental Consultation Evening

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May Class 4 assembly 3pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May school closes for Half term**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May half term begins**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May half term ends**

### **June**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June Inset Day School closed for children**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June children return to school after half term**

Thursday June 11<sup>th</sup> Class 1 Assembly 3pm

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day

Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> children make their First Holy Communion 9.30am at Holy Family Church

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day if the weather is poor on the previous date

### **July**

Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup> Class 2 assembly 3pm

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July Class 5 and 6 Play

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July Class 5 and 6 Play

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July school closes for the summer holidays**

**Term Dates 2025/26**

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

**Term Dates 2026/27**

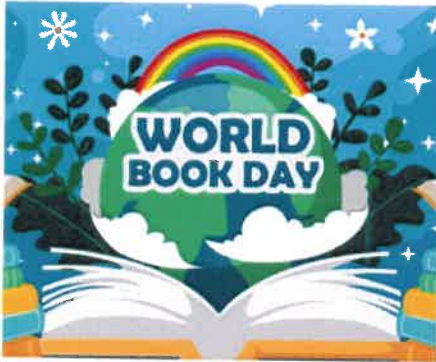
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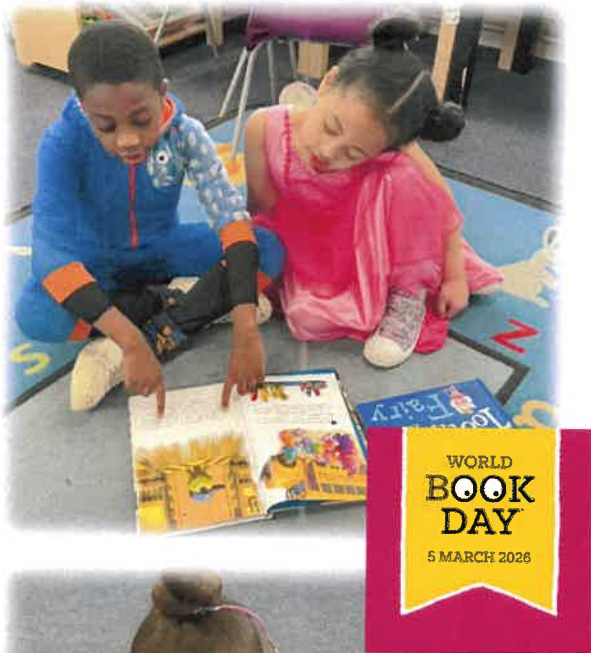
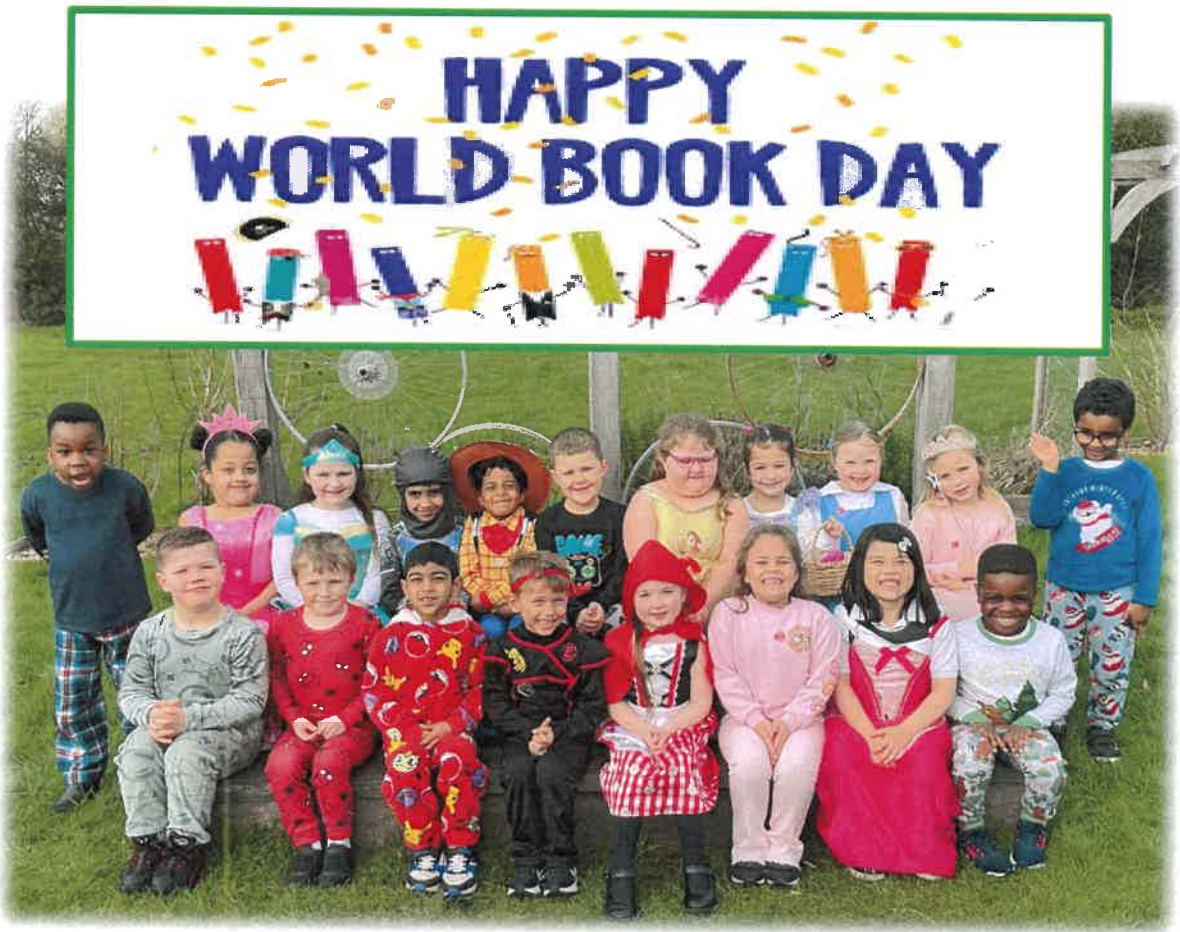


# Class One



On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day. We dressed in costumes and pyjamas and shared our favourite books. We loved having lots of story time throughout the day and reading with Class 5 in the afternoon. We got creative making a word monster to read to at home and a special bookmark for our reading books.





Class 2 had a wonderful day celebrating World Book Day 2026. We did wonderful writing about the characters we chose to dress up as, shared exciting stories with Class 4 and absolutely loved dancing our way around in the Book Parade.



BOOK DAY

# Class Three



This week we celebrated World Book Day. We enjoyed dressing up as our favourite characters, reading our books with Year 6 and completing book related activities.



It was lovely to spend time with Year 6 sharing books.

We used the green screen to create great photos.



We loved the parade.



# Class 4

We started off the week with a spring walk! We were looking for early signs of spring. We spotted new leaves, blossoms, insects and even bees! On our way we harvested a couple of leeks from our edible garden.



The children were so inspired by our spring walk that they asked to write spring poems.



On Wednesday we used our harvested leeks to make a leek and potato soup. It was delicious! We made sure we disposed of any left-over leek in our compost heap.



The soup got a thumbs up from class 4!

## CLASS 5 PODCASTS ON THE 1969 MOON LANDING

*Class 5 have learned about the 1969 moon landing in our sixties context and held debates on whether the moon landing happened or were faked. We then recorded a balanced discussion using Adobe's podcast maker, inserting sound files of adverts, jingles and DJ "drops" to make them sound real. Here is a podcast script from Finley:*

*(Jingle 1*

*DJ drop 1)*

Hi, I am Finley Highgate, and welcome to Waffles-X, where the topic of the hour can be anything. Does pineapple go on pizza? Does honey go on pancakes? But the topic of the hour is did the landings on the Moon actually happen? This will be a balanced discussion as we will look at both sides of the debate. Listeners at the end comment down below what you think. Was it FAKE or REAL? Stay tuned to find out...

### What the Conspiracy theorists say!!

First, conspiracy theorists say that the moon landings in 1969 were fake. They think it was faked because there is no dust when they land on the Moon plus when they take off. They also believe that it was fake because the footprints in the photos do not match the one on the boot in the NASA museum.

In addition, the background looks the same, surely you would take pictures on different parts of the Moon not in one place. Furthermore, there were no stars in the photos. On the Moon there is no atmosphere, but the flag was waving. That's right. You've guessed it. There is apparently wind on the Moon. In SPACE. Really??? That is impossible because there is no atmosphere on the moon.

In one of the astronaut's helmet visor there is a reflection of 2 people - 3 went up but one stayed in the rocket so that means that 4 went up in addition 3 went on the moon but only 2 did. Also, when they landed on the moon there was no crater when they landed. What is sus about the moon landings is that there is no dust when they took off or when they landed. In addition, the shadows were going in different directions when

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there is only one light source from the Sun (unless you bring your own light source). Stay tuned to find out Nasa's point of view!

*(Add break:*

*Jingle 1*

*Dj drop 1*

*Dj drop 2*

*Jingle 2)*

Hi, welcome back to Waffles x, where the topic of the hour is, *was the 1969 moon landing real or FAKE?*

### NASA's point of view!!

Nasa says that America did land on the Moon. First, let's get started off with the flag waving in the picture. NASA said it was waving because there were poles in the flag that made it wave and move. There was no crater formed when they landed because the module landed on a rocky part. There was neither any dust that kicked up because they landed on a very hard part of the Moon so no crater was formed. There were no stars in the pictures because back then the cameras were not good enough to see the stars. They brought back moon rock also they planted mirrors and scientists say that they can reflect lasers off the mirrors from earth.

That is it from us today. What do you think? Let us know in the comments section. Next up is the news. Thank you for listening to me talking about the debate. Have a great rest of the day. See you next episode. Bye!

*(Jingle 1*

*DJ drop 3*

*Jingle 2*

*Close podcast)*

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## Class 6

This week in Class we have been writing a Welsh dialogue using the Welsh phrases which we have been learning, based on the theme 'Y Dref - The Town'.

(ALAN) Wyt ti'n hoffi mynd i'r dref?

(RISHI) Ydw, dw i'n hoffi mynd i'r dref.

(ALAN) Pam?

(RISHI) Dw i'n hoffi mynd i'r dref achos mae'n bendigedig. Dw i'n hoffi mynd i'r siop papur.

(ALAN) Pam wyt ti'n mwynhau mynd i'r siop papur?

(RISHI) Dw i'n mwynhau mynd i'r siop papur gyda fy ffrind Tim achos mae'n gret ond dw i ddim yn mwynhau mynd i'r siop trim gwallt achos mae'n ddiflas!

(ALAN) Oes sinema yn y dref?

(RISHI) Oes, Es i'r sinema gyda fy ffrindiau ar dydd sadwrn. Dw i'n hoffi gwyllo ffilmiau ddoniol.

(ALAN) Ble mae'r sinema yn y dref?

(RISHI) Mae sinema drws nesaf i'r llyfrgell. Wyt ti'n hoffi mynd i'r tarfan?

(ALAN) Ydw, Dw i'n hoffi mynd i'r tarfan gyda fy teulu ar y penwythnos achos dw i'n hoffi gwyllo'r rygbi.

(RISHI) Dw i'n dwli ar gwyllo'r rygbi yn y tarfan hefyd! Mae tarfan gyferbyn a'r sinema. Mae hynny'n hwyl!

(ALAN) Diolch yn fawr! Hwyl fawr!!

