



Dear all,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the half term. It has been a busy half term with lots of great teaching and learning taking place. Over the course of the next half term you will have chance to discuss your child's learning and progress with their class teacher. Make sure you book either for a face to face or virtual meeting.

Last week Mrs Tucker and myself took some of our "Super Savers" to The Pierhead Building in Cardiff for the Credit Union of Wales Annual Awards. St Robert's won the School Partnership Award for running a successful savings club. An enormous thank you to Mrs Tucker for running the club and Mr Faulkner (Local Credit Union Rep) for his support.

Headteacher Awards Gwobr y Pennaeth

At end of each month we have certificates for Pride in Presentation, Marvellous Maths and Siarad Cymraeg, here are this month's pupils:

Dosbarth Haul - Ffion for her presentation, Marley for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Louie for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Enfys - Indy for his presentation, Gethin for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Isabelle for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Blodau - Layla for her presentation, Freya J for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Kingsley for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Seren - Amelie for her presentation, Emilee for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Theo for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Afon - Samson for his presentation, Cohan for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Scarlett for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Coed - Aoife B for her presentation, Sophie for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Halle for "Marvellous Maths";

Dosbarth Mynydd - Tippi for her presentation, Rhoda for the "Siarad Cymraeg" Award & Tyler for "Marvellous Maths".



What's been happening in our classes.....*Beth sy'n digwydd yn ein dosbarthiadau*

Dosbarth Haul-

We finished our super senses work by exploring our sense of taste. We used our tongue to find out if we liked or disliked foods that were sour, sweet and salty. Then we had to colour in the happy, okay or unhappy face to record our decisions. Lots of us disliked the lemon and made some very funny faces!! But most of us really liked the toffee sauce and the salty crackers. Great work everyone!



Dosbarth Enfys-

Dosbarth Enfys have been working hard on their art skills this week. We have been exploring primary colours and how to mix colours carefully to create secondary colours. We learnt all about the famous artist Jasper Johns and his pieces of work. We then completed a Jasper Johns inspired piece of work that helped us with our number formation too! We practised our painting skills in order to produce a neat and beautiful piece of work that we were all really proud of! You painted really carefully pawb and thoroughly enjoyed your colour mixing journey!



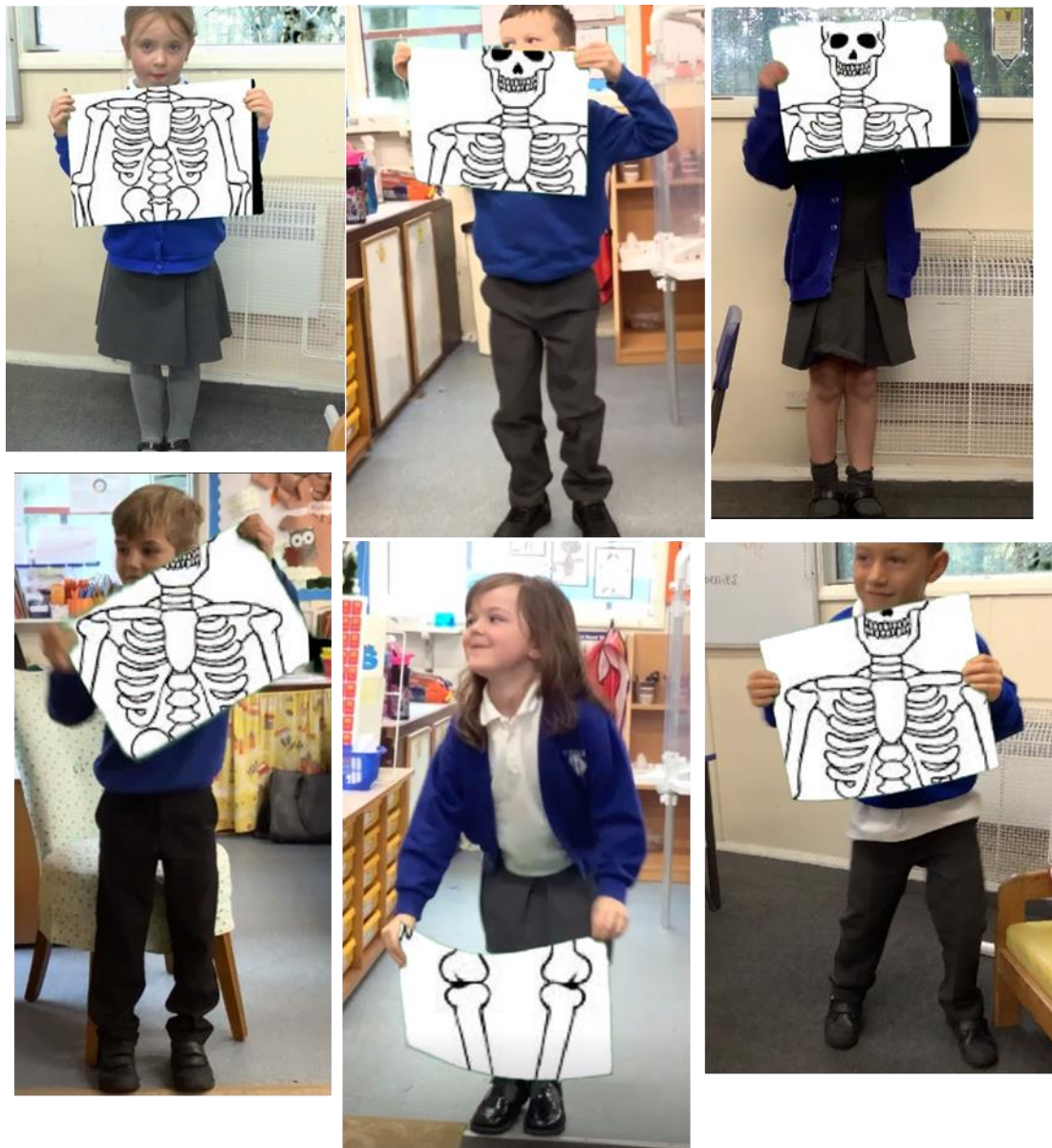
Dosbarth Blodau-

We've had brilliant fun in Dosbarth Blodau this week!

We revisited our learning about facts about our Skeleton. We looked at examples of x-rays and were great at identifying the body parts of the x-rays.

We worked in pairs to use the green screen app on the iPads to create a skeleton x-ray machine. We danced along to the song 'Dry Bones' and moved the green piece of card to show each bone as the song played and our partner filmed us. We all had a great time and were very excited to see ourselves on our final videos!

We have also been working hard this week to complete the final commission for our client Dr Ranj. We've reflected and recapped on our learning this half term and wrote down our three favourite fascinating facts we've discovered. We've also used the green screen to create an information video to help Dr Ranj teach others how to keep our bodies strong and healthy.



Dosbarth Seren-

This fortnight, we have been very busy in Dosbarth Seren! On Tuesday, we had a wonderful Stone Age Day that we all thoroughly enjoyed. We created prehistoric art, looked at how the Stone Age people survived and really gained a better of understanding of what it would be like to live during the Stone Age! We created Stone Age jewellery, created cave art, designed settlements, investigated different weapons and tools, and explored the woods like hunter-gatherers. It was a really lovely end to a topic that we have all enjoyed. Many thanks to our families for your support- the children all looked fantastic! Also, this week we have been writing our own stories inspired by our topic-based class reader Stone Age Boy. The children's imagination and creativity has really shone through in their work! We have had a great first half term and the children have all worked very hard. Da iawn Dosbarth Seren- fantastic work!



Dosbarth Afon-

Dosbarth Afon have had an incredibly busy couple of weeks! After our trip to Swansea University to study Egyptology, we have been busy preparing to sit our final exams to become Egyptologists. The good news is ... we all passed with first class honours! We celebrated on Friday by having a graduation ceremony and an Egyptian themed party. We made ancient Egyptian sugar biscuits and feasted on Egyptian delicacies. We also danced to Egyptian music and had a best dressed mummy competition. We'll pop the photos on Twitter! We have also been busy making papyrus and creating beautiful pieces of Egyptian art work. In Welsh, we used our DCF skills to collaborate in Google Docs to write a shared script in pairs for a visit to the doctor. We have also enjoyed learning new Welsh songs in readiness for the Urdd Jambori after half term. We were also lucky enough to have a visit from SPECTRUM where we learnt all about family life and understanding our emotions which was great fun too. We are all ready for a rest now and are looking forward to half term.



Dosbarth Coed-

What a busy and fun half term it has been for Dosbarth Coed! We finished the term by concluding our topic 'Bridgend - In the Beginning' with an exciting trip to St Fagans! This week we also created mini tv trailers, in the form of Imovies, to showcase what we have learnt so far in our topic. The class worked very hard and it was their first time using this app, they produced wonderful trailers! In RE, we have talked about commitments, promises and discussed the marriage liturgy and we have also enjoyed planning our pupil led worships! During Literacy, we have focused on non-chronological reports. We worked together to play 'Rollin' through the text' a fun Literacy game to become more familiar with the features of this genre of writing before writing our own reports. Da iawn Dosbarth Coed for all of your hard work this half term, you really are becoming independent, ambitious and creative learners!



PUPIL LED WORSHIP

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Dosbarth Mynydd-

We have been carrying out lots of exciting and interesting activities in the last fortnight! In art, we have been focussing on photography and digital art. We have been using iPads to carry out macrophotography of our supergrounds and then editing the picture's colours. As a class we

have been creating the 'poppies' remembrance display in the corridor. We have prepared a special worship for when we return to school, wrote remembrance prayers and painted the canvas that hangs in the corridor. Our class topic, Desert Kingdom, concluded with an exciting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) project linked to water irrigation and regreening the desert. We carried out tests on water pressure as well as designed, made and tested our irrigation designs. Check out Twitter to see some pictures of our work!



Prayer Time: **Amser Gweddi** - 1st November The Feast of All Saints.

On Tuesday we remember all those who have lived their lives well and have died and gone to Heaven. Some of these people have been given the title 'Saint' by the Church, and their own special Feast Day in the Church's calendar like St David & St Francis of Assisi. But anyone who has gone to Heaven is a saint, and All Saints Day is their feast day too.

On this feast day we should also be reminded that we are all called to be saints.

Pope Benedict was the Pope before Pope Francis.

During a visit to the UK, Pope Benedict spoke to all children in England and Wales and Scotland who go to Catholic schools.

He said, "I hope that among those of you listening to me today are future saints... Let me explain what I mean. When we are young, we can usually think of people that we look up to, people we admire, people we want to be like. It could be someone we meet in our daily lives that we hold in great esteem. Or it could be someone famous. We live in a celebrity culture, and young people are often encouraged to model themselves on figures from the world of sport or entertainment. My question for you is this: what are the qualities you see in others that you would most like to have yourselves? What kind of person would you really like to be?"



Let us reflect

How should we live our lives well and become more saint like? What qualities do we value in others?

Action- Find out about your favourite saint. What qualities or virtues did they display?

Prayer

God our Father,

We give thanks for all the holy men and women who have lived throughout the world.

Help us to live as you would like us to by showing love to all, bringing peace and always trying to do what is right.

Saint Robert, pray for us.

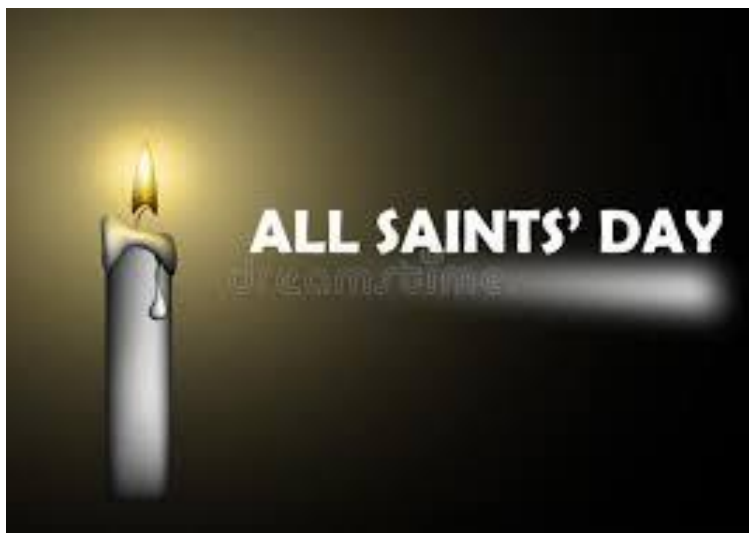
Saint Oscar Romero, pray for

Saint Theresa of Calcutta, pray for us.

Saint Bernadette, pray for us.

All holy men and women, pray for us.

Amen





This fortnight the following pupils
have demonstrated the Virtues of
being COMPASSIONATE & LOVING
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Dosbarth Haul- Grace receives our compassionate virtue for always being willing to help others in need. Jake receives our loving virtue for showing care for his friends in class

Dosbarth Enfys- Harry received our compassionate virtue this week for always trying to help others. Louie received our loving virtue this week for actively caring for others.

Dosbarth Blodau- Annabelle for being so caring to her friends at playtime.
Oliver C for always making sure that everybody has someone to play with at playtimes.

Dosbarth Seren- Reggie for demonstrating compassionate and loving through his kind words and actions.
Corey for demonstrating how we can show the virtues of compassionate and loving to our peers.

Dosbarth Afon- Cillian and Noah for always setting an excellent example and showing compassion and love to everyone through their kind and gentle nature.

Dosbarth Coed- Aoife G for always looking out for others and being a kind and compassionate friend.
Demi for making people smile with her kind and compassionate nature.

Dosbarth Mynydd- Annie and Patrick, who show a kind and caring attitude to all in our class.



On behalf of all the children and staff at St Robert's Primary School **Happy Birthday** to:

Myah (4), Kity (7), Patrick, Ben and Ethan (11)



Other information: **Gwybodaeth arall**

After School Clubs

Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered to support an after school club. I will be in touch with after half term. However, the more volunteers we get the more after school clubs we can provide for our pupils. Please dojo your child's class teacher if you are interested in helping us out!

Remember

The clocks go back this Sunday and we return to school on Monday 7th November.

Have a lovely half term break everyone!

Mrs Beveridge

