

Dear All,

Welcome to this fortnight's newsletter. It's been a pleasure to see how well our pupils have settled into the term. Their focus, enthusiasm, and positive attitudes towards learning have been truly impressive, and staff across the school have commented on the excellent effort being shown in lessons. Da iawn pawb!

Also, I would like to share with you some important news for the school community. Our current Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Barbara Murphy, will be leaving at the end of this half term to take up a Headship position at St Joesphs' Infant School, Port Talbot. I'd like to thank her for her wonderful contribution to our school and wish her every success in this new chapter.

Following a thorough recruitment process, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Claire Jones has been appointed as our new Deputy Headteacher. Claire Jones has previously been a member of staff at this school but left us to take up a deputy Head position at St. Joseph's Primary School, Penarth. We look forward to welcoming her back to our school family after the Christmas Holidays.

Headteacher Awards: Gwobr y Pennaeth

Dosbarth Haul - Millie for great listening during carpet sessions. Aiden for amazing Welsh speaking during Helpwr Heddiw sessions.

Dosbarth Enfys - Tommy D for super place value maths work and Sofia for always being incredibly sensible and helpful in class.

Dosbarth Blodau - Jack for fantastic Maths work this week and Ffion for always working hard in class and giving her best.

Dosbarth Seren - Joseph for showing great enthusiasm towards our topic Stones, Bones and Ancient Homes.

Nettie for great effort in her literacy work and use of imagination in story writing.

Dosbarth Afon - Alfie HW for his outstanding contribution to our learning about Viking longships using Minecraft Education. Zen for setting a fantastic example to his peers through his beautiful manners.

Dosbarth Mynydd - Reggie and Gethin for their excellent work ethic and enthusiasm in all areas of school life.



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

Dosbarth Haul-

Over the past fortnight we have been enjoying RE sessions focusing on branch one, creation and covenant. During our first session we listened to a story about how God created the world. We went on a nature walk and collected items to create a bracelet - during this walk we thanked God for all His wonderful creations.

We then focused on how God loves everyone and how He made each of us unique and special. To celebrate this, we looked at a story about baptism. In small groups we acted out a baptism, taking it in turns to act out the role of the priest and family members. We all did such a great job!



Dosbarth Enfys-

Dosbarth Enfys have been learning all about how to take care of God's world this week. We made some lovely bird feeders using recycled milk bottles to help God's creatures now that the weather is starting to get colder! We also thought of ways that we can personally help to take care of our world by recycling more, using less water and remembering to turn off lights. As parts of our labels, lists and captions learning, we made a shopping list for Miss Holder to take to the supermarket to buy some items to decorate biscuits for Paddington. We have been working hard on our place value to 10 maths learning and have been learning how to compare numbers. Da iawn pawb, a great two weeks!



Dosbarth Blodau-

We have been working very hard in Dosbarth Blodau this fortnight. We have been using the outdoors to help us in our learning. This includes making number lines out on the yard and practising our counting as well as going on a walk around our grounds and creating some word art. In English, we have been reading the picture book 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. We have been exploring the features of a letter as well as sequencing the story. In RE, we have been creating outdoor artwork inspired by Andy Goldsworthy to accompany a prayer we have written, giving thanks for our wonderful world. We have also been re-enacting Baptism and learning about the symbols found in this sacrament.



Dosbarth Seren-

These past few weeks Dosbarth Seren have been very busy! During our literacy lessons, we have been writing stories imagining we were stuck in the Stone Age! We thought life would be very different to what we are used to and applied our learning from our humanities lessons to help us with our story writing. We have also been inspired by our class reader Stone Age Boy. In RE, we have been learning about the gifts that God has given us and how we can be stewards of the Earth and help to protect God's creation. We have been focussing on Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si. For our PE sessions, we thoroughly enjoyed our rugby sessions delivered by Charlie from Ospreys Rugby, we have had great fun working on our passing and collaboration skills. We have also begun our Rock n' Roll music unit and have enjoyed listening to and recreating famous rock songs! We are all very much looking forward to our school trip to Dan Yr Ogof soon! Da iawn Dosbarth Seren- keep up the good work!



Dosbarth Afon-

Dosbarth Afon have had a fantastic fortnight! We have had great fun using Minecraft Education to build Viking longships for the Hairy Hooligan Tribe. Alfie HW led the learning by showing us his amazing Minecraft longship and teaching us lots of tips and tricks to create the best fleet of longships with lightning rods, dragon heads that breathe fire and a streamlined design! This has been by far our favourite learning experience so far this year!

We have been keeping our minds and bodies active too. We have become experts at estimating the position of 6-digit numbers on a number line as well as working on our dribbling skills in basketball, football and hockey.

Our knitters have been very busy and have completed their squares with Mrs Dyer and were given beautiful, knitted pumpkins as a reward. Their knitted squares will form a part of one of Mrs Dyer's famous cushions which will be raffled later this year.

In RE, we have been using our IT skills when creating persuasive posters to advertise for new Christians linking to our learning about the Ten Commandments. We also took part in a mini drama where we dramatised the effect of sin on our relationship with God. As it is October, the month of the Holy Rosary, we have organised and led the daily rosary at lunchtime which has been very well attended. Anyone who attends 10 days will receive a special rosary ring. We have also launched our Harvest Foodbank Appeal. If you are able to donate some tinned or dried foods, we would be very grateful. Diolch yn fawr iawn to all those who have already donated!



Dosbarth Mynydd-

Our science this term is forces. We have been learning about contact and non contact forces. Last week we learned about gravity and about the scientists involved with gravitational theories. This week we have been looking at the force of friction and how we can be helpful and unhelpful. We carried out an experiment testing out to different surfaces for friction against a shoe. We remembered to keep variables the same to make it fair and tested each surface 3 times for accurate readings. We collaborated very well in our groups and through our own tables of results in our books. Bendigedig pawb!



Prayer Time-

October: **A Month to Honour Mary**

In the Catholic tradition, the month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, a special time for us to turn our hearts to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and to deepen our prayer through the Rosary.

The Rosary is a prayer that helps us reflect on the life of Jesus through Mary's eyes. By praying it, we grow closer to Christ and learn to trust, as Mary did, in God's plan for our lives.

Let us pray- **Gweddiwn**



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Hail Mary,
full of Grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now,
and at the hour of our death.
Amen

Mary, Queen of the Rosary, pray for us

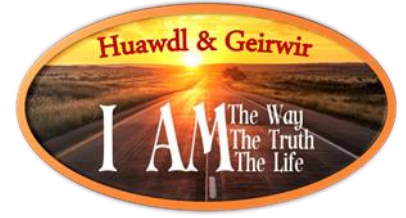
Pope Leo requests-

"As we begin October, the month dedicated to the holy Rosary, I invite you to pray the Rosary every day for peace in our world."

At home pray the Rosary during the month of October.



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Dosbarth Haul - Gruff for always speaking kindly to friends and being truthful. Betsi for always contributing to class discussions with confidence.

Dosbarth Enfys - Albie for always working hard to express himself clearly. Layla-Rae for always being reliable and trustworthy.

Dosbarth Blodau - Nevaeh and Robin who always speak kindly and gently to others.

Dosbarth Seren - Emily for being eloquent and constantly using kind words to her teachers and peers. Georgia, for being eloquent and always being polite to those around her.

Dosbarth Afon - Gwennie and Vicky for excellent contributions to class discussion and P4C.

Dosbarth Mynydd - Catrin and Corey for excellent contributions in class and for always being incredibly polite.



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

Birthday to:

Evan (5), Willow (8), Matilda (9), Jake (10),



Other information: **Gwybodaeth arall**

Pupil Voice: **Llais y Disgybl**

As a school, we value the opinions of our pupils. Through our Pupil Voice groups, pupils can share ideas and take part in decision making. All groups help shape the life of our school. This not only makes them feel listened to and involved but also builds confidence, responsibility and leadership. Pupil voice groups also, help us as staff to see our school through the eyes of the children, ensuring that our community continues to grow in ways that support the pupils' learning, wellbeing and faith.

Pupil Groups 2025-2026

Name	Pupil Group
Louie Harris Waters	School Council Members To lead with matters linked to School Mission. Values and Aims
Piper Edwards	
Grace Deen	
Layla Lewis (Seren)	
Willow-Mae Thomas	
Sonny Hart	
Finley Peters	
Rose Hickles	
Amelie Williams	
Freya Lewis	
Joey Jewell	
Freya Rees	

Florence Bowditch & Theo Murphy	Super Ambassadors To lead matters linked to children's rights and lead our Community Outreach Group
Ollie Lewis	St Bob's COGs (Community Outreach Group) Linked Catholic Social Teaching- putting our faith into action.
Louie Jenkins	
Aden Swaroop	
Oliver Rees	
Mithra Sangeeth	
Ava Prescott	
Dotty Haines Burke	
Rhys Standing	
Elsie May Llewellyn	
Cerys Doughty	
Layla Harris	
Amelie Bhagotra	
Ellis Dyer Jones	
Bailey Hart	
Marley Worrall	Criw Cymraeg To lead with matters linked to Welsh language, Culture and heritage:
Orson Protheroe	
Lillie Mai James	
Nettie Hackman	
Emily Thomas	
Matilda Haines Burke	
Gwennie Walsh	
Richie Williams	
Oliver Jenkins	
Niamh Kinsella Hughes	
Emilee Rowsell	
Ella McDaid	Eco -Committee To lead matters linked to the Eco School programme.
Matilda Doughty	
Robin Morgan	
Nevaeh John	
Isaac Byrne	
Millie Williams	
Georgia Brett	
Vicky Zajac	
Oliver Bowling	
Dylan Jones	
Kaima Elo-Dim	
Norah Dyke	
Daniel Dobris	
Ethan Etherington	
Megan Ashong	
Jacob Byrne	
Nikodem Chrobot	

Up and coming events: **Digwyddiadau i ddod**

13 th October	School Nurse- Flu vaccinations
22 nd October	PFA- Halloween Disco
24 th October	Last day of school before the half term break
W/C 27 th October	Half term break
3 rd November	School resumes after Half term break

Thank for your continuing support **Diolch am eich parhad cefnogaeth**

Mrs C Beveridge

