



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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March 8th 2024

Mothers' Day Mass

This year we are celebrating Mother's Day with a Mass at Holy Family Church. This will take place on **Sunday March 10th at 9.30am**. It would be lovely to see as many families as possible at this Mass.



St David's Day



We had a great time at the Eisteddfod!!!!



Change of date for Class 6 Assembly

The assembly will now take place on Thursday 25th April.

Photographs

Marcus Bell the school photographer will visit the school on **Thursday March 14th** 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 Marcus will be set up in the Library from **8.45 am**.



Attendance



You have probably noticed the banner outside the school. We are working alongside Cardiff Council to try and get our attendance back to where it was pre-pandemic. We regularly had attendance of 95% each day, currently we are lucky to achieve 90% each day. Please make every effort to send your child to school every day unless they are unwell.

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 must 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 8.55am, 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.

Be on time



at five to nine

Diary dates 2023/24

These will be regularly updated:

March 2024

Sunday March 10th Mother's Day Mass 9.30am at Holy Family Church

Monday 11th March Year 6 children go to Llangrannog

Wednesday 13th March Year 6 children return from Llangrannog

Thursday 14th March Individual photos

Monday 18th March Class 1 and 2 Easter Assembly 3pm

Tuesday 19th March Class 3 Easter Assembly 3pm

Wednesday 20th March Class 4 Easter Assembly 3pm

Thursday 21st March Class 5 Easter Assembly 3pm

Friday 22nd March Class 6 Easter Assembly 3pm

Friday 22nd March School closes for the Easter holidays

April 2024

Monday 8th April children return to school

Monday 8th April 3.30pm meeting for parents of children attending the residential visit to Manor Adventure (Y5)

Monday 8th April Year 6 children begin 2-week swimming course at Fairwater Leisure Centre

Tuesday 16th April Parental Consultation Evening- appointments will be emailed

Tuesday 23rd April Parental Consultation Evening- appointments will be emailed

Thursday April 25th Class 6 assembly 3pm parents are welcome to attend

Friday April 26th Year 5 children go to Manor Adventure residential weekend

Sunday April 28th Year 5 children return from Manor Adventure residential weekend

Monday April 29th Year 6 Cycling Course begins

May 2024

Thursday 2nd May Year 6 Cycling Course finishes

Monday May 6th Bank Holiday School is closed

Wednesday May 8th National Tests begin for children in Years 2-6

Wednesday May 8 Class photographs

Thursday May 9th Ascension Day Mass 9.45am at Holy Family Church Years 2-6 to attend

Thursday May 16th Class 1 assembly 3pm parents are welcome to attend

Thursday May 23rd National Tests finish for Years 2-6

Friday May 24th Inset Day School closed to children

Friday May 24th school closes for half term

June 2024

Monday June 3rd Inset day school closed to children

Tuesday June 4th children return to school after the half term

Sunday 9th June First Holy Communion Mass

Thursday June 13th Class 2 Assembly 3pm parents are welcome to attend

Tuesday June 18th Sports Day

Wednesday June 19th Sports Day if it is postponed from the 18th June

July 2024

Tuesday 9th July Y6 full day Transition visit to Corpus Christi High School

Thursday July 11th Class 3 Assembly 3pm parents are welcome to attend

Thursday 18th July Leavers' Mass 18th July 9.30am

Thursday 18th July Leavers' Assembly 18th July 2pm

Friday July 19th school closes for the summer holiday

Inset Days
Friday 24th May 2024
Monday 3rd June 2024
Monday 22nd July 2024

Term dates 2023/24

Term	Term begins	Half Term begins	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn Term	Monday 4/9/2023	Monday 30/10/2023	Friday 3/11/2023	Friday 22/12/2023
Spring Term	Monday 8/1/24	Monday 12/2/24	Friday 16/2/24	Friday 22/3/24
Summer Term <small>*6/5/24 May Day Bank Holiday</small>	Monday 8/4/24	Monday 27/5/24	Friday 31/5/24	Monday 22/7/24

Term Dates 2024/25

Term	Term begins	Half Term begins	Half Term ends	Term ends
Autumn Term	Monday 2/9/2024	Monday 28/10/2024	Friday 1/11/2024	Friday 20/12/2024
Spring Term	Monday 6/1/25	Monday 24/2/25	Friday 28/2/25	Friday 11/4/25
Summer Term <small>*5/5/25 May Day Bank Holiday</small>	Monday 28/4/25	Monday 26/5/25	Friday 30/5/25	Monday 21/7/25

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Class One

Welsh week



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We wrote
about the
story of
Saint David.

Do you like our
Welsh ladies?



We had some amazing
entries in our daffodil
competition!





Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus gyda Dosbarth 2



We sang "Heno, Heno" in the Eisteddfod.



We had so much fun doing lots of special St David's Day crafts and activities.



Dydd Gŵyl
Dewi Sant!

Welsh Week Class 3

A busy week in
Class 3 during
Welsh Week!



We made Welsh
top trump cards
about famous
Welsh people.



It got very
messy but we
had great fun!



An outstanding
amount of home
competition
entries. Here are
the winning
entries!



Our Welsh artist
was Luned Rhys
Parry. We created
collages using
Cardiff
Landmarks
influenced by
Luned's artwork.



Class 4.



EISTEDDFOD

The winning Art entries for our yearly Eisteddfod. Inspired by the work of Suzie Grindey, the children used water colours to paint images of Cardiff Bay and its landmarks. Here are the joint first, second and third winners! Da iawn!



Many thanks to the team @TreesForCities@GrowCardiff for the workshops on Thursday. The children prepared the soil, selected, planted, watered and labelled the seeds. We are so excited to watch our “Edible Garden” grow.



Wales Week – Class 5

For the week leading up to Dydd Dewi Sant, we have completed activities like: making databases and third person descriptions of celebrities from Wales, 3D rendered digital models of Welsh castles and buildings in Cardiff as well as coding a microbit to play the national anthem. Here are some examples:

Dyma Catherine Zeta Jones












Mae Catherine Zeta Jones yn pum deg tri oed a mae hi'n benblwydd un mis Medi.

Mae Catherine Zeta Jones yn byw yn Efrog Newydd (New York) yn ty mawr gyda Michael Douglas, Cameron Douglas, Dylan Douglas a Carys Douglas.

Mae hi'n enwog am actio a ffilmiau.

Mae Catherine yn hoffi actio achos gwnaeth hi yn gyfoethog a gwneud Catherine hapus. Mae hi'n llygaid brown. Mae gwalt brown hir. Mae hi'n gwisgo gwisg Prada, Chanel a Louis Vuitton.

Written by/Ysgrifennydd gan: Alyvia

Name	Picture of person	Age	Place of birth	Career or job	Children	Fact
Catherine Zeta Jones		54	25th September 1969 Swansea, Wales	Acting	2	Catherine Zeta Jones has at least been in 34 movies in her
Ruth Jones		57	22 September 1966 Bridgend, Glamorgan	Acting	1	Ruth Jones only went to one drama school because she didn't get accepted
Rob Brydon		58	2nd May 1965	Comedy	5	He went to school with Catherine Zeta Jones
Kelly Jones		49	3rd June 1974, Cwmaman, Rhondda Cynon Taff	Music	2	His wife is Jaki Hooly
Tom Jones		83	7th June 1940, Pontypridd, Wales	Music	2	Tom Jones birth name is Thomas John Woodward
Dame Shirley Bassey		87	8th January 1937	Music	1	Dame Shirley Bassey worked in a factory before her singing career
Alexandra Jones		46	18th March 1977, Washington D.C. United States	Acting	1	She is married to Charlie Thurman
Gareth Bale		34	16th July 1989, Cardiff	Sports	4	Gareth Bale started his football career at Southampton
Helen Jenkins		39	8th March 1984, Elgin	Sports	2	Two time British World Champion

Database by Layla

ANDY WARHOL

Synopsis

- **Born: 6 August 1928**
- **Died: 27 February 1987**
- **Occupation: Artist**

Childhood



Andy Warhol was born 6 August 1928. He was born in the city Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. When Andy Warhol was 8 years old he was diagnosed with a liver disease. As a result his limbs would move uncontrollably. This disease was rare, deadly and sometimes fatal. It was a disease that attacked the nervous system. He began having treatment and during this time his mother, an embroiderer and artist taught him how to draw.

Adulthood

Andy Warhol graduated in 1949 from the Carnegie Institute of Technology (now Carnegie Mellon University), Pittsburgh, with a degree in pictorial design. After he graduated, he then went to New York City, where he worked as a commercial illustrator for about a decade. Whilst in New York, he produced an abundance of artistic pieces. By 1962 he was in his prime and he was becoming really well known. He became part of the 'Pop Art' era and he created some amazing art forms. He created the Campbell's Soup can paintings and the Coca-Cola bottle art forms. He designed and created wooden replicas of Brillo soap pad

boxes too. He created many Mickey Mouse paintings and he did more than 250 portraits of famous people.

Legacy

Andy was a different kind of artist. While many artists focused entirely on their art with no interest in personal fame or fortune, Andy wanted to be rich and famous. Some artists accused him of making art in order to make money. However, many of the images he created have become iconic in American and British culture. His paintings have grown in value as well. One of his portraits called *Eight Elvis* sold for \$100 million in 2008.



Andy Warhol once said, "The idea is not to live forever; it is to create something that will". He certainly did achieve this as his work will certainly live forever!

