

# Newsletter

## St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Fair

Friday 6th Feb '26

**CROESO! Welcome!**

*Our Faith...*



In the Gospel on Sunday, Jesus tells us that we are like salt and light in the world. Salt makes things better, and light helps people see—just like our kind words and good choices can help others. When we do good things, we show God's love to everyone around us. Jesus wants us to shine bright so people can see goodness and be thankful to God.

*Our Faith in Action...*



Thank you to all who came to St Mary's Catholic Church on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February. It was a beautiful School Mass. The children read the Word loud and clear and they led the singing beautifully. It is a joy to join together as home – school and Parish. Thank you for your support.

Our next School Mass is on Mothering Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March.



Thank you to Y2 for leading our Prayer and Liturgy on Monday for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

It was a beautiful, class-led liturgy sharing the story of when Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the temple. An older couple, Anna and Simeon, saw Jesus, and Simeon said that he could die a happy man because he had seen the Light of the World.

**Tub2Pub** Thanks!



Thank you to all who contributed to the Mini Vinnies' latest "Turning Concern into Action" initiative.

This weekend, Mrs Frampton will kindly donate the tubs to the appeal that supports **Macmillan Cancer Support** by making use of the plastic.

### St. Mary's Welsh Phrase

Mae hi'n bwrw glaw  
heddiw.

It is raining today.



# Look at our Learning!

Our Pupil Profile  
Virtues:



Catholic Social  
Teaching Principle

We are called to care  
for God's Gifts.  
~ Stewardship



'God's only Son, who is at the Father's side, has made him known' (John 1:18).



Year 6 have been studying Scripture of the Healing at Bethesda. They created a **Flow Map** thinking map, using IT, to show how the man may have felt before and after he was healed.



Year 5/6 created beautiful **Love Spoons** to mark the feast of Santes Dwynwen.



Practical Fractions

Year 4/5 visited Mrs Frampton's Pizza Shop this week where they explored **fractions**. They were able to identify that a fraction is a part of a whole. They were able to show me equivalent fractions on their pizzas!



Y3 concluded their Domain, **Western Europe** with a feast exploring different food from some of the countries studied. Lindt Chocolate from Switzerland was a firm favourite!



Beautiful Curious Questions linked to Y4/5's Domain, **India**:  
A Land of Contrast.



They even learned a Viennese **Waltz** in their music lesson!

Y1 made beautiful lanterns. Remember to let



Children in the Atelier have been learning all about the **Feeding of the 5,000**. They know that a little boy had a fish and 5 small loaves and Jesus fed 5,000. It was a miracle! The children dressed up and role played the story in the Conservation area.



## NOTICES



This week's certificates were awarded for children who use their *imagination* to create wonderful pieces of learning. It was lovely to hear examples from teachers. Our pupils bring creativity, imagination, and innovation to their learning. Da iawn!

Please see poster at the end of the Newsletter regarding the Disco. Thank you to the Friends of St Mary's for organising. Tickets are **£3.50**.



## Are you having a spring clean?

We are appealing for donations of *costume jewellery* to support the HCPT Group 55. HCPT Group 55 take groups of vulnerable children on a Pilgrimage to Lourdes every Easter.

We are hoping to help our Friends from St Mary's Church, HCPT Group 55 raise money towards their next pilgrimage at Easter. Friends from our Church will be selling costume jewellery at our next School Mass (15<sup>th</sup> March). Children will be able to purchase a treat for themselves or for a loved one; maybe a Mother's Day gift.

**Please send in any unwanted costume jewellery – necklaces, bracelets, brooches (no earrings please) – for us to pass on to Mrs Devine in Church.**

**Thank you for your support.**






### Afternoon Tea | Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Please see the poster attached at the end of the newsletter from friends at St Mary's Church raising money for HCPT Group 55.

## Diary Dates

<b>Thursdays</b>	Mr Carpenter (Chippy) from Spanish Soccer is working with Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y6.	Multisports Club is for Y4 and Y4/5 this term. The club is currently full and we are operating a waiting list.
<b>Fridays</b>	Miss Nikki from New You Dance (NYD) is back with us this term (Y4 and Y4/5).	We will continue to use proceeds from the Nativity Ticket sales to cover the cost of this excellent provision. Thank you for your support.
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Cuppa & Cake Afternoon   Family Engagement   2pm   School Hall	Join Sarah our Family Engagement Officer from 2pm in the hall for a friendly chat and the chance to ask any questions. Focus on: Emotions/wellbeing   Transitions   Supporting learning at home   Attendance   Helping with change etc.
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Valentine's Disco  See poster attached.	5.45pm – 7pm. Y2 – Y6   £3.50 Please send £3.50 into school and the Friends will send a ticket home for your child. Thank you.
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Year 4/5</b> Prayer & Prayer Reflection	Parents welcome to join us at <b>2pm</b> .
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Half Term Break	School closed.
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	INSET Day	School closed for pupils.
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	St. David's Day Celebrations   Gwyliau Dydd Dewi Sant   Eisteddfod	Children are invited to wear traditional dress or red tops/ rugby tops etc. to school (with uniform). We will hold our Eisteddfod on this day too.
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	School Mass   Mothering Sunday	St Mary's Catholic Church, Ewenny Road at 11am.  Children sit at the front of the Church with teachers and they wear their uniform.

*As a Catholic Family, we will do our best; to live and learn as Christ taught us.*

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# Valentine's

# SCHOOL DISCO

**February 11, 5.45 -7pm**

Year 2 - 6 children are invited to join the fun!

Please send £3.50 into school in an envelope with your child's name, class, and how many tickets are needed 💕



**£3.50 PER TICKET - INCLUDES  
SWEETS AND A DRINK**



**TUCK SHOP TO  
PURCHASE  
TREATS**



ST. MARY'S CHURCH,  
EWENNY ROAD, BRIDGEND, CF31 3HS



Saturday, 14th  
February  
2pm - 4pm

Afternoon Tea  
for Two

SECURE  
YOUR SEATS!



COUPLES

FRIENDS

FAMILIES

TICKETS AVAILABLE  
£25 PER PAIR.

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