



St. Mary's

Newsletter

24th April 2026



Our Faith...

In the Gospel on Sunday, Jesus tells a parable in which He is the gate which takes us to God. Jesus says, "I have come so that you might have life – life in all its fullness."

Having life in all its fullness means being the best person we can be, living our lives well and having the chance to use our gifts and talents for the good of all.

Our Faith in Action...

This half term, we are exploring the Catholic Social Teaching principle of **Promoting Peace**.

Y6 led a reflective Prayer and Liturgy in our chapel with the theme of peacemakers.



Y3 enjoyed listening to the Parable of the Prodigal Son in their RSE lesson. They thought about how the story relates to them and then they created fantastic word art for synonyms and words that link to the word 'sorry'.

Our Learning!

Our Pupil Profile
Virtues:



'Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit' (Matthew 28:19)



We are called to be
peacemakers
~ Promoting Peace

Catholic Social
Teaching Principle



Y6 have been learning about lines of **longitude and latitude**. They were highly engaged while using atlases to label maps with the continents and oceans.

I was impressed with Y5/6's extended writing where they have planned and written up a **science experiment** looking at the impact of sugar on teeth as part of their Human Body Domain.



Y3 had a fantastic time on their trip to **Caerleon Roman Baths**. They learned so much about the Romans including being trained as Roman soldiers! They visited the Baths and the Amphitheatre.

Y1 launched their new Domain, **Kings and Queens** with a very Royal start!



Y2 have also produced extended writing within their domain, **Extreme Earth**. They created newspaper reports about the 2016 earthquake in Italy. They have been studying the art, **The Great Wave off Kanagawa** and created their own pieces of artwork.





Pod Heulog and Pod Enfys thoroughly enjoyed going on their planet hunt this week. They already know lots of facts about **Space!** Gwych!

IMPORTANT!

Your child will be bringing home their Interim Report this afternoon, sharing information on their wellbeing, effort and progress across the curriculum.

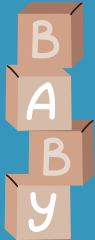
I trust that you will find the information useful.

If you have any queries, please contact your child's teacher.

Thank you.



NOTICES



We wish **Mrs Frampton** well as she begins her maternity leave today and we keep her in our prayers, asking every blessing for her and her family at this special time. Miss Griffiths is looking forward to covering the period of Maternity leave.



Year 4/5 have enjoyed their block of swimming this week and Year 4 will begin their block next week. Year 3 will then have their session the following week. Please do not worry if your child is unable to swim – please reassure them if they are feeling apprehensive. The instructors assess the children on the first day and ensure they are placed in an appropriate group for their ability. Some lessons take place in the shallow end and confident swimmers are taught in the deeper water. Being confident in a body of water is an important life skill. These blocks of lessons are a great way to remind children of key skills in the water.



An early reminder that during this term, children will complete their personalised assessments in literacy and numeracy. These assessments are mandatory in Year 2-9 in Wales. The tests are completed online and are adaptive, meaning that they are tailored for every child. They give a snapshot of your child's skills at a particular time. We have a sample of old past papers (they were previously paper tests) on our website [here](#), if you would like to practise to style questions that children may be asked. Thank you for your support.

FILM NIGHT | Thursday 30th April | 5 - 7PM | Years 2 - 6 | £3.50 a ticket

Film: GOAT
Trailer: [click here](#).

Please send your money into school no later than next Tuesday (28th April). Please put your money in an envelope with your child's name and class noted on the front and the PTA will get the tickets out before the event.

*1 ticket includes one drink, bag of sweets and one hotdog.
There will be a tuck shop to purchase more sweets, drinks and hotdogs on the night.





Please keep *Father Tim* in your prayers.
 On Sunday 3rd May, he will celebrate the *30th anniversary* of his priesthood.

Further wonderful news... Father Tim has recently become *Canon Tim*. Many congratulations to him; we are so grateful for his work both within our Parish and school.



This week's certificates were awarded to children who are great **listeners**.

Not only do these children listen carefully to their teachers, they listen carefully to their friends when they are working collaboratively. Da iawn pawb!

Diary Dates

Thursdays	Mr Carpenter (Chippy) from Spanish Soccer will be working with Y4, Y4/5, Y5/6 and Y6 this term.	Multisports Club will be for Y2 and Y3 this term. The club is currently full and we are operating a waiting list.
Fridays	Miss Nikki from New You Dance (NYD) will be working with Pod Enfys and Y1.	We will continue to use proceeds from the Nativity Ticket sales to cover the cost of this excellent provision. Thank you for your support.
W/C 27th April	Swimming (Y4)	
Friday 1st May	INSET Day – school closed to pupils.	
W/C 4th May	Swimming (Y3)	
Thursday 30th April	Film Night: GOAT	Y2-6 5-7pm £3.50 a ticket (please send in by 28 th April)
6th – 8th May	Llangrannog Residential Trip (Y6)	Information re: packing / timings etc will be shared next week.
Sunday 17th May	First Holy Communion	



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

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