

July 2018 Newsletter

First Communion

Congratulations to Callum, Caleb, Ieuan, Izzy and Josie who celebrated their First Communion on Sunday 8th July. Thank you to Mrs Kplomedo for preparing them and organising refreshments, Mrs Squelch for baking them an amazing cake and governors and staff for help with serving refreshments afterwards.

On the following day pupils took part in a lovely, uplifting whole school Mass.

Welsh

Diolch yn fawr to everyone who came to our Welsh Showcase afternoon to see how we learn Cymraeg at KS2. Our visitors were able to see us demonstrate some of the methods we use – we then challenged them to have a go themselves. Visit our school website to find out about some of the apps that we use in our Welsh learning.

Athletics

Pupils in years 3 and 4 worked with Theresa Canton, Active Young People Officer, and took part in an afternoon of athletics.

Rugby

Pupils from Classes 4 and 5 represented the school at the Primary School Rugby Festival – they played very well and had an enjoyable day.

Celebration

On Wednesday 11th July the whole school enjoyed a festival style garden party for their Golden Time to celebrate the Dojo points they had earned throughout the year.

Fashion Show

As part of their topic Class 2 organised a very successful fashion show – they decided to donate all proceeds to The Paul Sartori Foundation. They raised an amazing £252 – thank you for your generous support.

Pwllchrochan

Class 4 enjoyed an interesting trip to a visit to Pwllchrochan Environmental and Community Centre.

The day long activities, which took place on the centre's marshland boardwalks, included pond dipping, identifying aquatic species, and exploring the surrounding woodland.

Thank you to Valero for sponsoring the centre and inviting us to visit.

Folly Farm

The whole school enjoyed our annual visit to Folly Farm.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to those who attended end of year parents' meetings.

There will be meetings arranged next term for you to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss their targets for the school year.

Transition

Pupils in Years 5 and 6 have taken part in transition events at Ysgol Bro Gwaun.

Leavers' Assembly

Year 6 pupils were joined by family and friends for our annual Leavers' Assembly. It was a fabulous event and the audience enjoyed videos, anecdotes, singing, drumming and dancing.

We will be sorry to say goodbye to Year 6 as they have been a fantastic group of pupils who have all made many contributions to school life. As we say goodbye to Anwen, Charlie, Darcie, Grace, Joe, Kai, Kayleigh, Lacey, Leanne, Levi, Nesta, Osian, Sam H, Sam L, Toby, Tom and Tomos we wish them every success in the next stage of their school careers.

Leavers' Mass

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our end of year Mass.

Our school Masses for next term are already planned (please see dates below) – family and friends are all very welcome to join us.

Summer Reading Challenge

Mrs Johnson came to tell us about the exciting Summer Reading Challenge. Pupils need to visit the library and read 6 books over the summer to win Dennis the Menace scented stickers, a map, fortune teller and a medal. Why not visit the library and join in!

Uniform

School uniform consists of logoed yellow polo shirts (not white), logoed red school jumpers or cardigans, grey trousers, skirts or pinafores and flat black shoes (not trainers). Girls may wear red gingham dresses during warm weather. We no longer have a separate winter uniform so shirts and ties are not required.

PE kit consists of black or navy shorts and a red school PE T shirt. In cold weather pupils also need dark coloured jogging bottoms and a plain dark sweatshirt or hoodie.

All school uniform can be purchased from Tesco using the link on our school website.

Thank you for your support and co-operation in maintaining our uniform standards.

Message from Catering

Primary School Meals

The catering service continues to roll out its cashless catering payment system to all Primary schools. We hope to complete this during the next academic year, 41 of our primary schools currently operate the cashless system very successfully, and we look forward to working with the remaining schools to implement the system shortly.

We also continue to develop and update our menu choices for our pupils and comply with nutritional standard guidelines. Our current menus can be viewed online at

www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/school-meals/school-menus

Unfortunately we will be increasing our prices from September to;

Infants £ 2.35
Juniors £ 2.45

We believe that this represents good value for money for a 2 course hot nutritious meal. Special dietary options are available on request. Please contact 01437 775250.

We continue to offer the 10% discount direct debit scheme if you sign up to 190 days of meals, and we offer a family discount scheme of 50p per day for families of 3 or more pupils.

If you think you're entitled to Free school Meals, application forms are available online at www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/school-meals/free-school-meals
Our cashless payment programme now makes this totally anonymous.

Payment options include direct debit. Full details of the above schemes are available online at <https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/school-meals/school-meals-discount-schemes> or ask the school, alternatively visit us at the county show in August.

We look forward to providing healthy meals to our pupils over the coming academic year, we hope you enjoy the summer holidays.

Catering service.

Implementation of Cashless Payment is planned for October 1st 2018 at Holy Name School

Thank you

On behalf of all the staff can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support of the school during this year. It has been a very busy and rewarding year for us all and we look forward to continuing to provide a rich and varied learning environment for your children next year.

Pupils return to school on September 4th - we hope you have a happy and enjoyable Summer holiday.

Dates for your diary

September 3rd INSET Day

September 4th – pupils return to school

September 7th 10am – Whole school Mass

October 4th 10am – Whole school Mass (Feast of Saint Francis)

October 24th – Harvest Celebration 2pm

October 26th INSET Day

October 29th – November 2nd – Half Term

November 9th - 10am Whole School Mass (All Saints)

December 3rd – 10am Advent Mass

December 18th – Carol Concert (details to follow)

December 19th – 10am Christmas Mass

December 20th - Carol Concert (details to follow)

December 24th – January 4th Christmas Holidays