



Dear Parents,

Welcome to St Mary's!

We are so delighted to have welcomed three new children into our nursery this week – Alfie, Elli-Katherine and Nikola have joined Miss Phillips and her 'little acorns' in Dosbarth Derw and will be coming along full-time from Monday. It is so lovely to have you at St Mary's, we hope you will be very happy!!

First Holy Communion preparation sessions will begin on Tuesday, 23rd January, 3.30pm until 4.30pm.

We are looking forward to the Newtown Area Netball Competition which is being held in Maldwyn Leisure Centre on Friday, 26th January. The tournament is open to Years Five and Six and those participating will need their PE kits, warm clothing for in between matches, a waterproof coat, a packed lunch and plenty of drinks. Miss Jones will be accompanying our representatives on the day.



On a sporting note, we were very disappointed last Friday that the Hockey coaching sessions arranged with Hockey Wales didn't materialise for Years Five and Six. We are hoping that we can secure these in the near future and certainly prior to the Hockey Wales – Powys 7s Competition in March. Watch this space....

Information sharing- Please note that from the end of this month, access to our newsletters will be via the school website www.st-marys.powys.sch.uk and the schools facebook page. If it is not possible for you to access this information through either of these routes, please email us and we will arrange to have a copy emailed to you on a weekly basis.

Dosbarth	Attendance			Target %
	October %	November %	December %	
Castan	94.07	92.98	96.11	95.8
Onnen	96.74	97.03	97.64	95.8
Bedwen	93.44	95.90	96.98	95.8
Celyn	93.04	96.53	93.18	95.8
Derw	95.56	97.13	95.45	95.8
Overall	94.41	95.66	95.97	95.8

Our Attendance target is now 95.8%

Congratulations to Dosbarth Onnen for reaching the target in October, November and December – a fantastic achievement!

Please do all that you can to ensure that your children attend school every day where possible.

Come and See

Please find attached details of our 'Come and See' religious education programme for this term for your information. Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions regarding it.

For all your uniform needs, please visit tesco.com/ues. Our school generates a 5% cash donation on every embroidered purchase made – thank you all very much for your support!

Have a great weekend!

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Headteacher