

ST DAVID'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



Summer Term

5th May 2017

Attendance - week ending 28.04.17

Reception – 95.4%

Year 1 – 96.7 %

Year 2 – 98.2%

Year 3 – 94.4%

Year 4 – 98.1%

Year 5 – 94.2%

Year 6 – 95.5%

For the second week running, it's Year 2 again with 98.2%. Well done!

Key dates

08.05.17	Reasoning Test	09:10
10.5.17	Film Club	3.20-5.30
11.5.17	Y4 Bridge Building	All Day
12.5.17	Y2 Crowning Mary (All Welcome)	11.00-11.30
12.5.17	Pajama movie evening for R/Y1/Y2	17:00 – 19:30
16.05.17	Mad Science Assembly	09:00
18.05.17	Parent Forum	17:30

Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Wednesday at St Benedict's. Please keep our Year 2 children in your prayers as they prepare for their First Holy Communion.

Weather permitting our Year 2 class will be Crowning Mary, Queen of the May on Friday at 11am. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Message from Criw Cymraeg:

This week we've been busy completing our dyma fi profiles for the Criw cymraeg display.

Each week we'll announce a new language pattern 'Patwrn yr Wythnos' in assembly, it's our job to ensure everyone is using the pattern and using as much Welsh as possible.

Next week we'll award our very first welsh 'Speaker of the Week' certificate!

Patwrn yr wythnos- Sut wyt ti? /Sut Ydwch chi?

Message from our Super Ambassadors
Article 29 – You have the right to be the best you can be.

The weather has been beautiful this week and certainly the children have enjoyed playtimes in our lovely school grounds.

The school council are delighted with the effort made by children running the 1K challenge and they are looking forward to naming the 'runner of the week' tomorrow.

Leonie Thomas-Barber, the active young people officer visited us yesterday and sent me an email later in the day:

"It was great to see your lovely school today and wonderful to see the children running the daily mile. My role as an Active Young Person's Officer enables me to support your school with dragon sports, play to learn, physical literacy (fundamental movements) and parental engagement sessions to encourage active families as well as being able to offer coaching assistance during PE lessons alongside your teachers. We also support and mentor Bronze Young Ambassadors to set up activity sessions in their breaks."

What wonderful ambassadors our children are of St David's, I will certainly be investigating how we can use this service during the coming term.

Welcome

Your children may be speaking about Mr Hulme who has joined us this term to cover PPA sessions in school. These are sessions which allow staff to prepare and assess work for the class. We also welcome Kayte who is linked to the Cats drama group who use our hall on Thursdays. Kayte will be working with classes across the school to develop skills in drama. Year 6 are also fortunate to have Mr Mahony working with them to support maths and PE. Mr Mahony is a secondary school teacher who is looking to retrain to become a primary teacher and so is gaining valuable experience here in St David's. They all speak so highly of the children in St David's and tell me how much they enjoy coming to our school.

Parent Forum

Minutes of the Parent Forum meeting are now on the school website.

National Tests Year 2-6

Well done to the children from Y2-6 who have worked so hard with the National tests this week. We are so proud of the children. We will finish on Monday 8th May with the Mathematics Reasoning Test

For any children who may be absent we can use Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th as extra days to catch up. Please reassure your children that these only give us a snapshot of what they are capable of for 30 minutes on one day. We know that children are often worried or concerned by the tests. We will do our very best to help the children to feel relaxed and confident next week. The results will be sent off for standardization and analysis; these results will be shared before the end of summer term.

Parental Questionnaire

A big thank you to all the parents who have returned the questionnaires. You can complete it online via the school website or using the paper sheet sent home. I will collate the results and share them with you before the end of term.

Thank you for your continued support.
Angela Heald