

Newsletter

Ysgol Santes Fair

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Friday 7th February 2020

This week we celebrate the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

IMPORTANT DATES!

FEBRUARY

Sunday 9th

School led Mass at 11am, St.Mary's Church

Tuesday 11th

Sports for Champions Day (Sponsored event)

Welcome meeting for parents of new nursery children at 6pm, school hall

Friday 14th

INSET day, school closed to pupils, half term follows

Monday 24th

Return to school

Wednesday 26th

Ash Wednesday—distribution of ashes, school at 9am

MARCH

Wednesday 4th

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, school

Friday 13th

INSET day

Sunday 15th

School led Mass at 11am, St.Mary's Church, Third Sunday of Lent

Dear Parent,

Our **first School Led Mass of 2020** will take place a week on **Sunday, 9th February** at **St. Mary's Church**, **beginning at 11am**. Please do come along and support us in this great celebration, if at all possible. We look forward to seeing you then.

I would be very grateful if parents who are dropping their children off for **Breakfast Club** in the morning do so at the hall doors and in the process do not come into the hall, as this is interfering with the work of the Breakfast Club supervisors. Once through the door your child will be perfectly safe and well supervised. Thank you for your cooperation.

A reminder now that **Friday 14th February is an INSET day** and therefore the school is closed to pupils for staff training on this day. Half term holiday will begin after this and we **return to school on Monday 24th February**.

Many thanks to everybody for sending your sponsor money into school for our **Sport for Champions day** on **Tuesday of next week**. A reminder that **pupils are welcome to wear sports kit to school for the day**. I am sure that they will enjoy the experience of being put through their paces by an International athlete here in school. We will inform you next week of how well we have done in terms of the money raised for sports equipment for our school. Thanks again for your support.

On **Tuesday of next week** we will have a **Meeting of Welcome** for all **parents of new Nursery children** who will be joining us in September of this year. We look forward to seeing you then.

Shortly after half term, we will send home **mid-year interim reports** to you. These will be designed to inform you about your child's progress to date this academic year. Then on **Tuesday March 24th between 1pm and 5pm** we will have an **open afternoon** in school, during which time you will be able to see your children's books and speak with them about their learning.

Today our **Football and Netball teams** have been playing at Pen-Y-Fai school. We trust that they thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, thanks again to Mr Howe and to Miss Wood who have given of their time to work with our children in these areas.

Last night, Mr Wooding and Mrs Frampton led a **Stargazing club** for our children. I trust that they all enjoyed the experience, and again I am most grateful to the staff who give up their time so that our children can benefit from this opportunity.

There will be a period of time on **Thursday 13th February** in which our new Relationships and Sex Education resources will be available for parents to view should you wish, ahead of sessions beginning across the school. Resources will be available in Mrs Azzopardi's room between 3.30pm and 5pm should you wish to come along to view them. We will be available to discuss any queries you may have regarding the materials.

The **Friends of St Mary's** are organising **two Film Evenings** before the half term break for our children to enjoy. The details are as follows:

Wednesday 12th February – Gruffalo – Pupils in Nursery, Reception and Year 1.

The show begins at 5.30pm, tickets are priced at £3 each and collection time will be 6.30pm.

Thursday 13th February – Grandpa's Great Escape – Pupils in Years 2 to Year 6.

The show begins at 5.30pm, tickets are priced at £4 each and collection time will be 7pm.

Refreshments for our children will be provided on both evenings. On both evenings, the hall will be open from 5.15pm onwards (not before due to the sunbeam club using it.) If you could like any tickets, please just send in your money with a clear note about which evening you would like your child to come and we will get the tickets to you. I'm sure our children will greatly enjoy the experiences and they are most welcome to bring along bean bags/ wear onesies/comfy clothing to the evenings.



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