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A message from our Headteacher, Miss Langsdale



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another busy and rewarding school year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on all that we have achieved together as a school community.

This year has been filled with so many memorable moments—academic successes, creative performances, sporting achievements, and the everyday acts of kindness and resilience that make our school such a special place. I am incredibly proud of all our pupils for their hard work, determination, and enthusiasm for learning. They continue to demonstrate our values in everything they do and are wonderful ambassadors for our school.

My sincere thanks go to our dedicated staff, who have worked tirelessly to provide engaging, supportive, and enriching experiences for every child. Their commitment and care ensure that each pupil is encouraged to reach their full potential, both academically and personally.

We also wish to congratulate both Mrs McHugh and Mrs Coray on their retirements, I am sure you will join with me in saying how appreciative we are for all of their work in our school over the years and wish them a happy and healthy retirement. We will miss them both!

I would also like to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support throughout the year. Your involvement, encouragement, and partnership with the school make a significant difference to our children's success and wellbeing.

To our Year 6 pupils, we wish you every success as you move on to your next chapter. You leave us with many happy memories, and we are confident you will continue to flourish in your new schools. As the summer holidays begin, I hope that all our families have the opportunity to rest, relax, and enjoy time together. We look forward to welcoming you back in September, refreshed and ready for another exciting year ahead.

With warmest wishes,

Miss M. Langsdale
Headteacher





Goodbye Mrs McHugh and Mrs Coray

Mrs McHugh

After many years of dedicated service, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs McHugh, who has served as a teacher at St Francis for 36 years and been a teacher for 38 years. During her time at St Francis she has helped so many children grow, learn and develop. She has played a pivotal role as a senior teacher playing an integral role on the senior leadership team supporting both children, parents and staff.

Mrs McHugh has always recognised that teaching is a vocation and has dedicated herself fully to our school community. Her commitment, care and passion will have a lasting impact.

I am sure you will join with me in wishing her every happiness as she embarks on her retirement. We thank Mrs McHugh for her dedication and service to Catholic Education over the years.

We will miss you Mrs McHugh!

THANK
YOU



Mrs Coray

Mrs Coray joined us five years ago and has since then had a huge impact on our school. She has shown great commitment to the children she has taught, supporting them in so many ways. We are particularly grateful for the time she has given developing gymnastic skills in school and as part of an afterschool club. The children have really benefitted from her skills as a gymnastic coach.

We would like to thank her for her enthusiasm, care and dedication, she will be greatly missed. We wish her a very happy, healthy and well-deserved retirement.



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Prayer of the Month



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Loving Father,

Thank You for guiding us through this school year.
For the friends we've made, the lessons we've learned,
and the joy we've shared each day.

Bless our teachers, friends, and families
who have helped us grow in wisdom and kindness.

Forgive us for the times we made mistakes,
and help us to forgive others too.

As we begin our holidays,
keep us safe, happy, and close to You.

Fill our hearts with Your peace,
so we return ready to learn and love even more.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



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Attentive: (1 Samuel 16:7)

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

Discerning : (1 Corinthians 9-14)

However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived" The things God has prepared for those who love him— these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words. The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit



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Assemblies



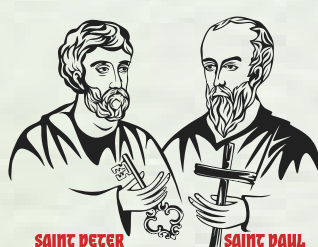
St Peter & St Paul

Mrs Dando and some of her Year 5 class led a lovely worship assembly on the feast day of St Peter and St Paul. We recognised that they each played a special and important role in building up the early Church.

Saint Peter was a simple fisherman but then Jesus called him and Peter followed! Peter became the leader of the apostles and the very first Pope. He was the rock upon which he would build the church. There are many beautiful stories about Saint Peter. He was one of the witnesses of the Transfiguration of Jesus; Peter witnessed many of Jesus' miracles first-hand; and he even walked on water!

Saint Paul is a powerful testament to the power of Jesus and of the great love God has for each one of us. Paul – when he was still called Saul – persecuted Christians. One day, Saul was traveling and a great light from Heaven surrounded him. Saul was baptized and received the name Paul. Paul spent the rest of his life bringing the Good News to the Gentiles. Paul was dedicated to his work. All of the energy he had put into persecuting Christians, he placed into converting the Gentiles. God can take all of us, no matter what we have done, and work great things through us!

From this Worship assembly the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul reminded us of our call to be witnesses. Jesus calls all of us to love Him, follow Him, and bring Him to others. We must not be afraid to make Christ known and loved throughout the world just like Saints Peter and Paul did.





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Year 6 Leavers' Mass



This week, we came together as a school family to celebrate our Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Assembly. It was a joyful and moving occasion, giving us the opportunity to thank God for the many gifts, talents and achievements of our Year 6 pupils during their time at St Francis.

During the Mass, the children reflected on their journey through primary school, offering prayers of thanksgiving and hope as they prepare for the next stage of their education. We are grateful to our families and parish community who joined us in marking this special milestone.

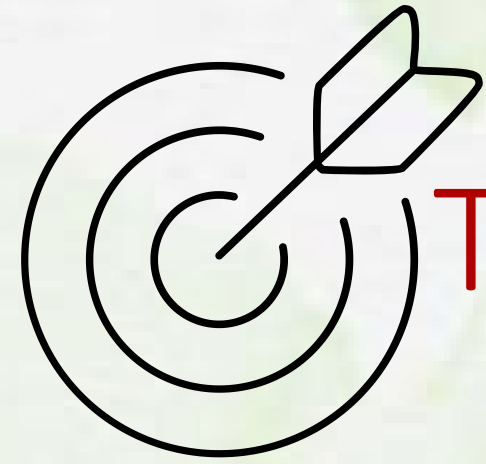
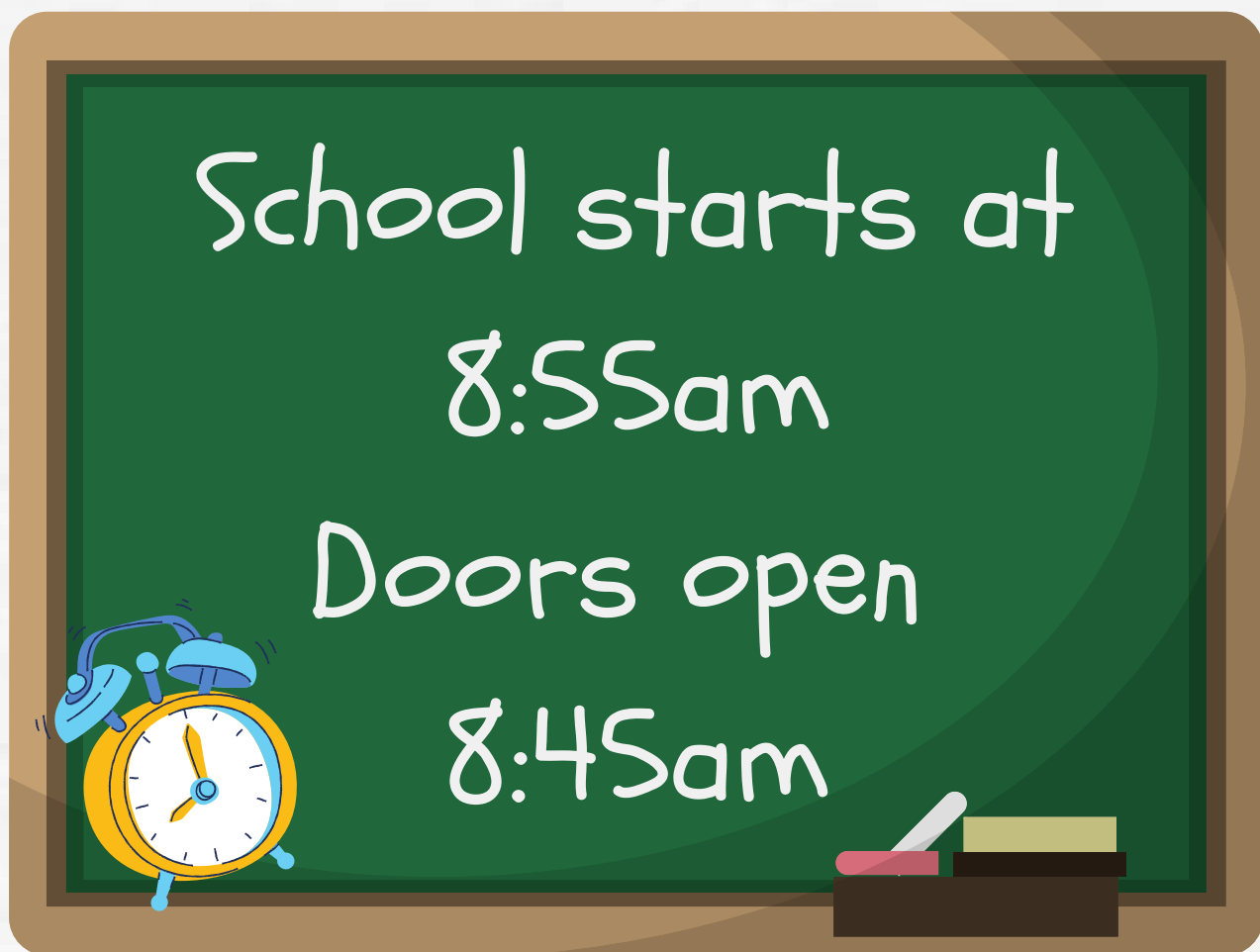
The Leavers' Assembly was filled with wonderful memories, laughter as the children shared reflections, songs and stories from their years at school. We were incredibly proud of the confidence, maturity and gratitude they demonstrated throughout the celebration. Thank you to all parents/guardians who attended and supported these celebrations.

A huge 'high five' to our Year 6 pupils for the positive contribution they have made to school life and for being such excellent role models for the younger children. We wish them every success and happiness as they move on to their secondary schools. Remember, you will always be part of the St Francis family.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)



Attendance & Punctuality



Target:
100%

**Your child's
attendance needs
to be above
95%**



At St Francis we monitor attendance
regularly.

Our attendance is also monitored by
school governors and the Local Authority.

Attendance at school is extremely important for all
pupils so that they can achieve as well as possible, and
is now part of safeguarding procedures.



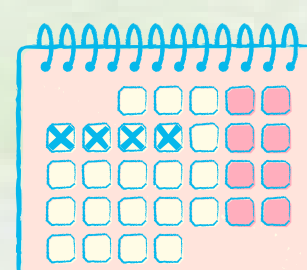
If your child is unwell please contact the office
otherwise the absence cannot be authorized.

Please ensure your children are in to avoid potential fines.



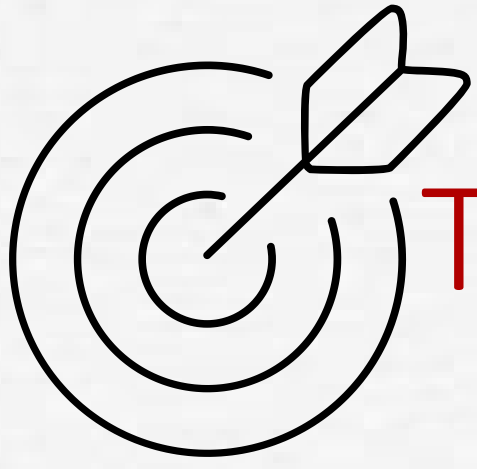
Every moment in school counts.

Days soon add up and the more children are in school the
more they are likely to learn. Please do all you can to bring
your child to school.





Attendance & Punctuality



Target:
100%

Overall
Attendance

84.4%

Down from last month!

**Your child's
attendance needs
to be above
95%**

Nursery
AM

79.8%

Nursery
PM

77.6%

Reception-
D

87.0%

Reception-
H

79.8%

Year 1

88.0%

Year 1/2

76.2%

Year 2

79.1%

Year 3

86.5%

Year 3/4

81.9%

Year 4

84.5%

Year 5M

83.6%

Year 5D

91.5%

Year 6C

86.1%

Year 6M

92.8%



Attendance Rewards

Our winners this month are:
Year 6 - Mrs McHugh's Class

Congratulations!



Attendance & Punctuality 2025-26

Autumn

September

92.4%



October

91.6%

November

91.8%

December

88.0%

January

89.7%

February

88.6%

March

90.1%

April

91.0%

May

87.8%

June

87.2%

July

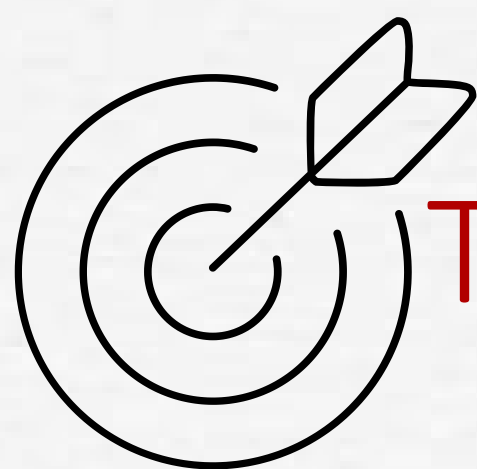
84.4%

this year

89.3%



Attendance & Punctuality



Target:
100%

EVERY
School Day
COUNTS

**Your child's
attendance needs
to be above
95%**

0 days
off school

100%

Perfection!

Equal to 2 days
off school each year

99%

Excellent

Equal to 5 days
off school each year

97%

Good

Equal to 10 days
off school each

95%

Slight Concern

Equal to 20 days
off school each

90%

Concerned

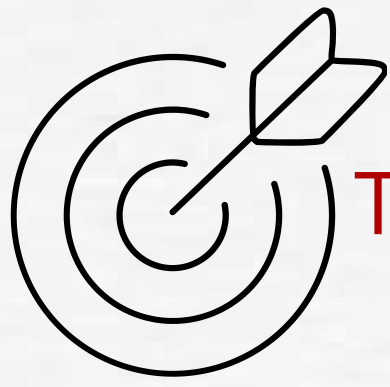
Equal to 30 days
off school each year

85%

Very Concerned



Attendance & Punctuality



Target:
100%

EVERY
School Day
COUNTS

Your child's
attendance needs
to be above
95%

Our overall school attendance this academic year is on the way up and improving steadily. We are at 89.3% but this needs to be 95%. Please ensure children are in school everyday and that their attendance for the year is 95% which is no more than 10 days off ill.

More likely to
persue higher
education

Regular school attendance is crucial for a student's academic success, social-emotional development, and overall well-being. It fosters a sense of belonging, facilitates positive peer relationships, and equips students with essential life skills. Consistent attendance also improves a student's chances of achieving higher grades, graduating, and pursuing further education or employment opportunities.

Better chance
of gaining
qualifications

Sense of
belonging

Career
opportunities

Future
Success

Builds
positive
relationships

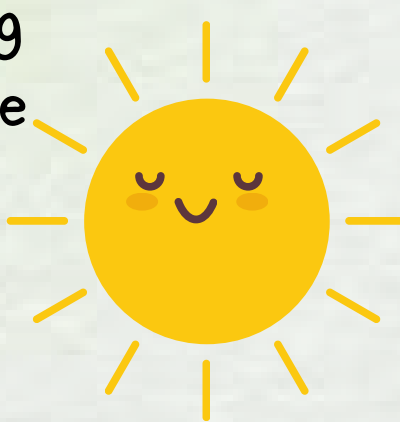
Improved
learning

Improves
well-being

Barriers to
Attendance

Parental Support

Parental involvement is crucial in ensuring regular school attendance. Open communication, addressing concerns, and providing necessary support can make a significant difference.





25-26 Topics

Summer Term



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Being curious and searching for answers is essential to understanding and predicting phenomena.

Curiosity about science and technology leads us to ask questions about the world around us. By being encouraged to use logic, evidence and creativity, learners will be supported to inquire into and apply scientific knowledge to further understanding of how our world works. Developing and testing models will also help them make sense of its complexity. With evidence derived from observations, new theories can be developed, and existing ideas may be refined or challenged.

Learners need to be able to evaluate scientific claims to help make informed decisions that affect our environment and well-being, including regarding the climate and nature emergency. The choices we make depend on many factors, including moral viewpoints and personal beliefs. However, rigorous and robust evidence-based research provides a solid foundation on which to base decisions. As ethically informed citizens, learners will need to consider the impact of our actions and of scientific and technological developments, locally and elsewhere in Wales, as well as in the wider world, asking 'Just because we can, does that mean we should?'

It's A Wonderful World

Mae'n Fyd Rhyfeddol



The world around us is full of living things which depend on each other for survival.

By recognising the diversity of living things and how they interact with their environment, learners can develop an understanding of how these have evolved over significant periods of time. All living things require specific conditions and resources to survive and they may have to compete with other organisms to do so. Humans form part of the living world and our decisions and actions, along with natural selection, can have a significant impact on the diversity of life. Knowing about the structures and functions of living things enables learners to understand how these things grow, develop and reproduce successfully. Developing an understanding of the factors which affect the health and success of organisms allows us to make informed decisions about our physical health and how we impact the natural world, including about the prevention and treatments of diseases.

Aladdin

The cast of Aladdin have been working tirelessly this term to prepare for their performances. They have shown their singing, dancing and acting talents in two dress rehearsals and two shows.



Miss Mathias and Miss Kennett couldn't be prouder of their spectacular performances!



Aladdin



Omar

Main Cast



Genie



Kassim



Jasmine



Babkak



Jafar



Iago

Main Cast



Isir



Rajah



Manal



Layan



Dancers



Razoul & Guards



Prince Abdullah & Attendants



Beggars



Singers



Sultan

Aladdin



The cast of Aladdin 2026

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all of the children for their admirable commitment, hard work and effort towards preparing for and performing in the shows. We would also like to thank the parents and staff for their support.

In particular, we would like to thank Miss Cooke for her beautiful backdrop and Mrs Stratton-Ross for her amazing scenery,

*Thank
you*

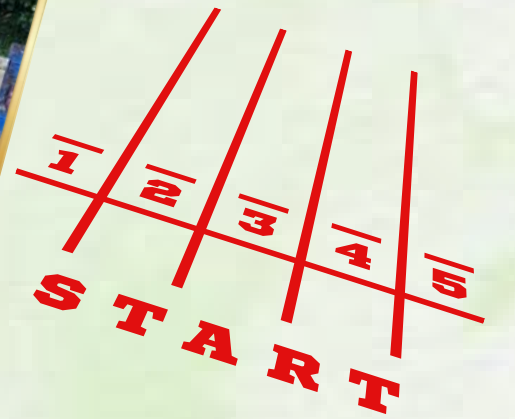
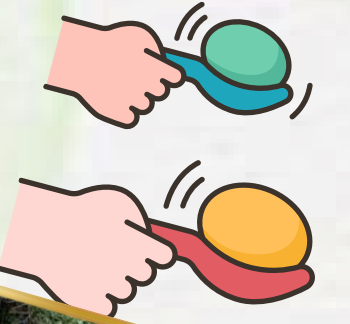


Our Learning Journey

Nursery

Mr Cannon-Jones' Class

Nursery were fantastic in their sports day, they all ran very fast and showed lots of support by cheering for each other, even their teachers took part!



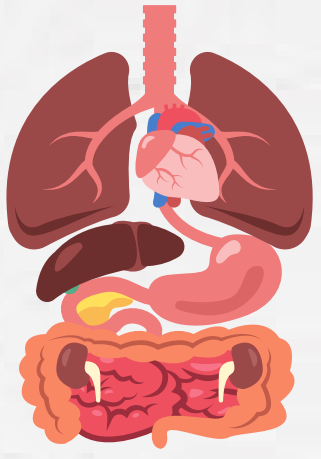
Our Nursery Graduation Ceremony was brilliant!

The children learned their lines and said them with confidence, performed their songs and even showed off their Makaton!

We have been having so much fun in the sun and making sure we keep hydrated.

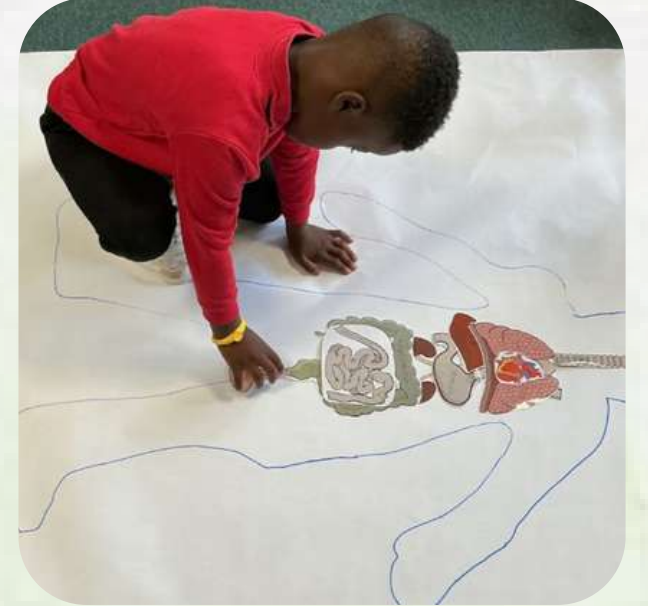


goodbye
This week we say goodbye to some of our Nursery children as they will be moving on to the reception class, and staying.....ALL DAY!!! We wish them lots of luck.

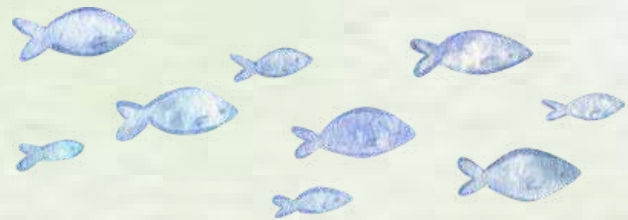
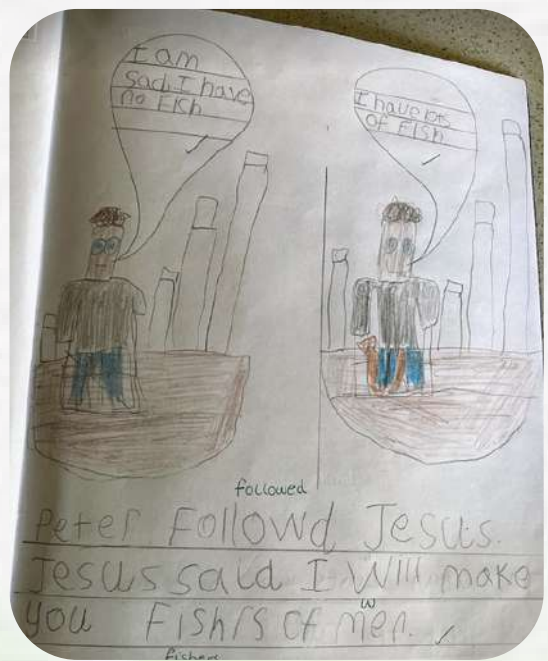


Our Learning Journey

Reception



This term, we have been learning about the amazing human body, including our organs and the important jobs they do to keep us healthy. To help us understand how our lungs work, we created our own lung models and used them to demonstrate how we breathe in and breathe out.



In RE, we learnt all about St Peter and how he became a disciple. We also learnt about different cultures and religions from around the world. We explored Judaism and learned about the importance of the Menorah, a special symbol used during Hanukkah. We also learned about Ramadan and Eid, discovering how Muslims pray, fast, and celebrate with family and friends. In addition, we explored Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Light, and learned about its traditions, celebrations, and meaning.



A huge well done to all of the children for their fantastic effort and enthusiasm during Sports Day. Every child took part with confidence, determination, and a positive attitude, making us all incredibly proud.

Thank You

What a fantastic first year the children have had in full-time school! We are all so proud of each and every one of them and all that they have achieved this year.

It has been such a pleasure to be their class teachers and to watch them grow and learn every day. They have all become more confident, independent and resilient children, always trying their best, showing kindness to others and never giving up when things felt tricky. Seeing their smiles, hearing their wonderful ideas and sharing so many special moments together has made this year truly memorable.

We would also like to say a big thank you to all of the parents and families for your support throughout the year. It has been a pleasure working together, and we are so grateful for the encouragement, kindness and support you have given both your children and our class community.

As the children get ready for their next adventure, we wish them all the very best as they move on to Year 1. Keep believing in yourselves, keep being curious, and keep trying your best. We know you will continue to shine and make everyone proud.

Have a wonderful summer and remember how special you all are.

Mrs Davies, Miss Harding, Miss Cooke and Miss Payne

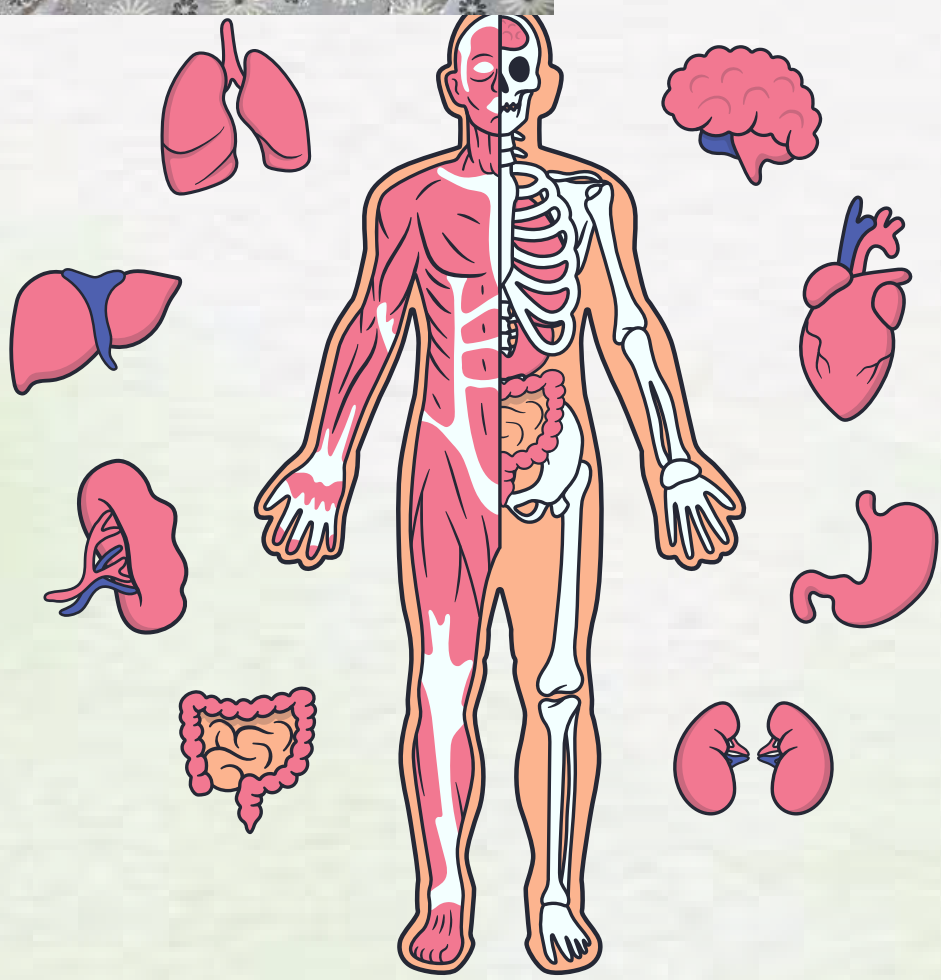




Our Learning Journey Year 1

Mr Windross' Class

In R.E. we have learned lots about a different religion, Jewdaism. We have explored the similarities and differences to Christianity and even made challah bread (which the children loved making and eating!).



This term we have been learning so much about how our body works. We have looked at our lungs, digestive system, brain and heart. We have used stethoscopes to listen to our heart beat, did a carousel of activities to test how different parts of our brain worked, did a disgusting practical on the digestive system and lots of exercise to test how our breathing and heartrate changes with exersion. Have a look at the wonderful things we have done...





Our Learning Journey

Year 1 continued ...



Mr Windross'
Class

We have been finishing off writing our own chapters for **The Twits** story which has been one of many amazing stories we have read throughout the year. Have a look at the wonderful work they have done and their incredible illustrations of the pranks they chose for their own chapters.



We have had the most fantabulous year in Year 1, I wish them all the luck in the world (although I know they will not need it) moving into **Year 2**. I will miss all of them and the wonderful curiosity they have brought to this year.

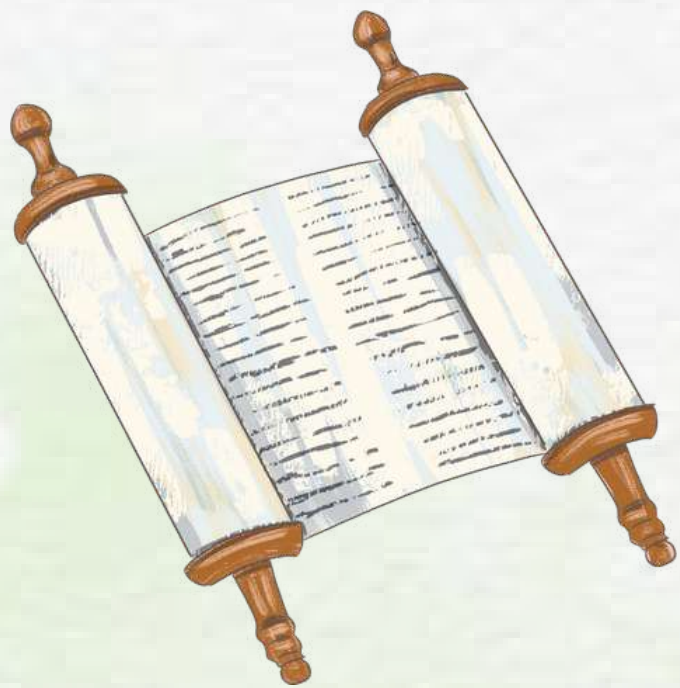




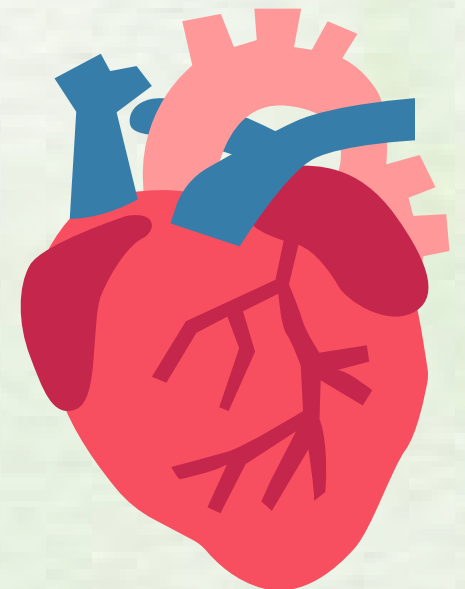
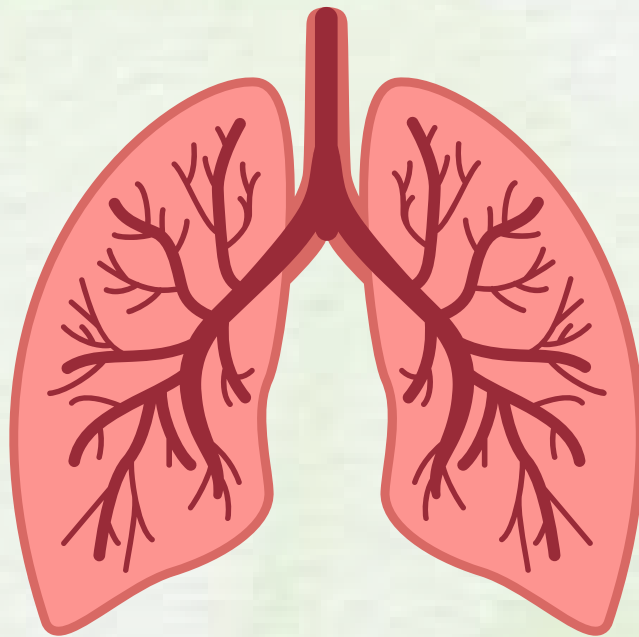
Our Learning Journey

Year 1/2

Miss Wong's Class



In RE, we have been looking at Judaism and learning about the different symbols and objects that Jewish people have and use. We also learnt that the Jewish Holy Book is called the Torah and is written in Hebrew.



In our topic 'What a Wonderful World', we have continued looking at the body and focussed on the organs and what they do within our body. We learnt that the brain helps us remember and move our body and the lungs help us to breathe. We also learnt that our blood travels around our body.

It has been such a pleasure teaching and getting to know all of the children in Year 1/2, they have made me feel welcome in class from the very beginning and I can't wait to see how they grow as they continue their journey.





Our Learning Journey



Year 2

Miss Kennett's Class



Year 2 Fire Brigade Visit.



Miss Kennett was challenged to see how quickly she could get dressed as a firefighter. She told the children the outfit was very hot and difficult to get on. Year 2 thought Miss Kennett made a great firefighter however she's not too sure.



Year 2, Year 1 and Reception have been keeping cool and having lots of fun lunchtime!



On Tuesday Year 2 being the youngest children to attend went to the church to celebrate the Year 6 leavers mass. They were absolutely amazing travelling to and from the church and then in the church. I am so proud of each and every child. They sang beautifully and were so engaged with the prayers and the mass itself. The priest himself even came over to tell Miss Kennett how amazing Year 2 were! A fantastic morning representing St Francis. Well done Year 2!

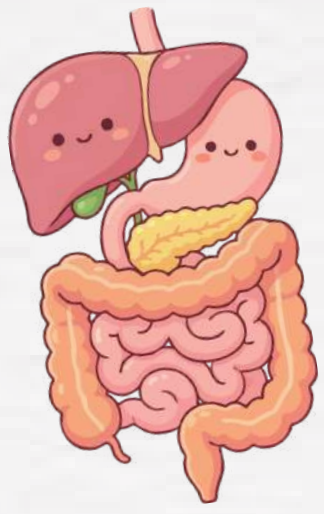


We have had a fantastic year together and I wish them the very best of luck as they continue their journey in Year 3! I will certainly miss their lovely little personalities but I know they will continue to shine as they move through the school.



Miss Kennett & Miss Jones





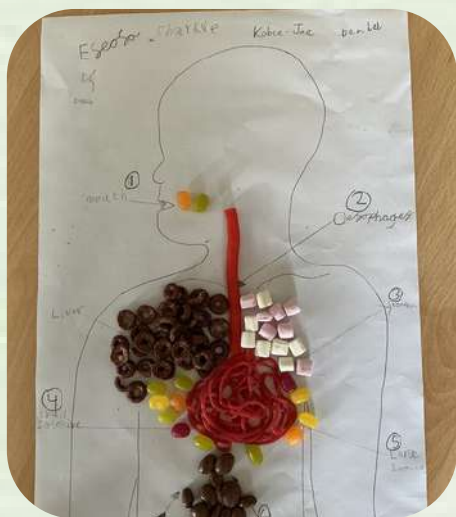
Our Learning Journey

Year 3

Mrs Humphreys' Class

Topic

Year 3 had a fantastic time learning about the digestive system and discovering what happens to food after we eat it. The children followed the journey of food from the mouth, down the oesophagus, into the small intestine, then the large intestine, before reaching the rectum and finally leaving the body through the anus – as poo! To make the lesson extra memorable, everyone used sweets to represent the different parts of the digestive system and acted out the journey of food through the body. The best part? Once the learning was complete, the children got to enjoy eating the sweets!



Plantasia



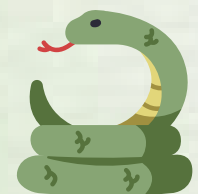
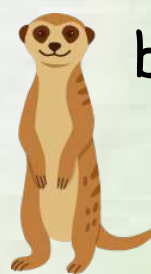
Our educational visit to Plantasia in Swansea was great! The children loved the experience and learnt some amazing facts...



Did you know you can fit Wales into the Amazon rainforest 300 times!



Did you know Black pepper is made from whole fruit, but white pepper is made from the fruit with the black skin removed! We saw a black pepper plant, lime plant and lemon plant growing in the tropical plants area. We enjoyed wandering around the zoo seeing tropical plants, poisonous minibeasts and friendly animals! A highlight was meeting the new Emperor Tamarin monkeys! They had only arrived the night before our visit so we enjoyed watching them settle into their new habitat! They were enjoying some Sweet potato and jumping from the branches when we saw them. We also loved seeing the Caiman Crocodiles, we saw 4 of them in the water and the Meerkats were busy in their sand area. In our workshop with Adam he told us how important all types of plants are; especially grass! Producers are essential to our ecosystem, they form the foundation of the food webs! He was so enthusiastic about the beauty of nature and we left there feeling inspired to do more to help look after our Planet!



Thank you

Well, Year 3, what a pleasure it has been to get to know you and teach you this year! For some of you, this has been an even longer journey, as I was lucky enough to teach you back in Reception class too. It has been so special to watch you all grow into kind, independent and resilient learners who are always ready to take on new challenges. You have worked incredibly hard, thank you for making this year so enjoyable. I wish you all the very best as you move into Year 4!



Good luck!



GOOD LUCK



Our Learning Journey

Year 3/4

Mr. McConkey's Class

SUMMER



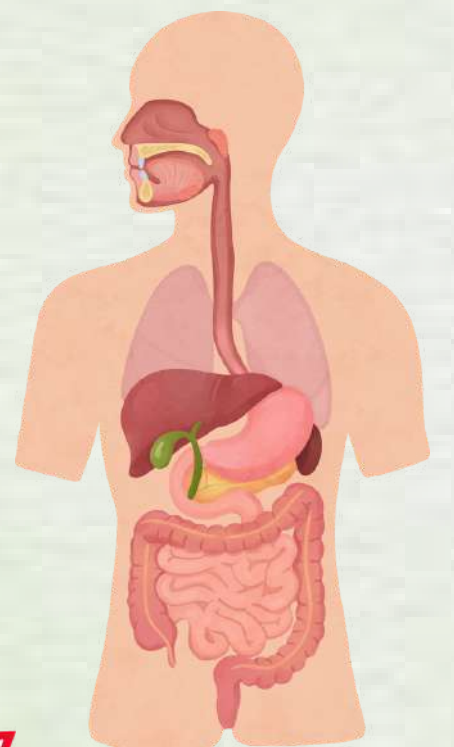
We started July with an exciting trip to Swansea to visit Plantasia Tropical Zoo! The children had a fantastic day and loved every minute of the experience! We began with an engaging Roots, Shoots, Flowers and Leaves workshop, where the children learned about the different parts of plants and their importance. They also had the opportunity to plant their own sunflower seeds to take home and watch grow. Afterwards, we explored the zoo and discovered a variety of amazing animals. Some of the highlights included seeing the curious meerkats and impressive crocodiles, along with many other fascinating creatures.



Good Luck!



Thank you!



In Topic, we have been very busy carrying out lots of exciting experiments! First, we created our own digestive systems using delicious sweets to represent the different organs (we even managed to eat a few at the end)! We also used bread, juice, tights and sandwich bags to recreate what happens to our food as it is digested and travels through the digestive system. It was a very messy (and very gross!) experiment, but it really helped us understand how our bodies work.

As we come to the end of another fantastic year, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of the children in Year 3/4. It has been an absolute pleasure to teach the children this year. I am so proud of all they have achieved and the progress they have made. I wish everyone the very best of luck in Year 4/5 next year, and I am sure they will continue to build on all the progress they have made this year. Thank you to all the parents for your support this year! Have a wonderful, restful summer holiday!

Mr. McConkey.



Our Learning Journey

Year 4

Plantasia School Trip

Our class had a fantastic trip to Plantasia, where we enjoyed a day of learning and exploration. We took part in an engaging workshop about plants from around the world, discovering how different plants grow and adapt to a variety of climates and environments.

We also visited the tropical zoo, where we saw many amazing animals. The meerkats were a particular favourite, and everyone was excited to watch their playful antics. We also enjoyed trying to spot the wild cats as they moved quietly around their enclosures.

The trip was a wonderful opportunity to bring our learning to life, and the children were enthusiastic, curious and a credit to the school throughout the day. We all returned with lots of new knowledge and great memories!



Storey Arms Trip

Our trip to Storey Arms was packed with adventure, teamwork and lots of fun! The children took part in a range of exciting activities, including team games, rock climbing and orienteering, developing their confidence, communication and problem-solving skills along the way.

A special mention must go to our very wet gorge walk! Although it was certainly a challenge, the children embraced the experience with smiles, determination and plenty of enthusiasm.

I am incredibly proud of all the children, especially those who found themselves outside their comfort zone. It was wonderful to see them rise to new challenges, support one another and approach every activity with a positive attitude. Their resilience, courage and enthusiasm made the trip a great success and created memories that will last for years to come.



A Message to Year 4

Thank you all for a wonderful year together. It has been a pleasure to teach you and watch you grow in confidence, knowledge and maturity throughout the year.

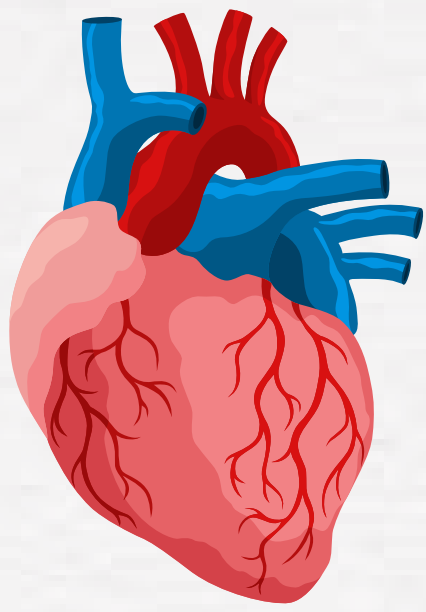
I am incredibly proud of the resilience, creativity and teamwork you have shown every day, whether in the classroom, on school trips or when tackling new challenges. You have supported one another, worked hard and always tried your best.

Congratulations on the fantastic progress you have made in Year 4. You should all be very proud of your achievements. I know you will continue to do amazing things in Year 5.

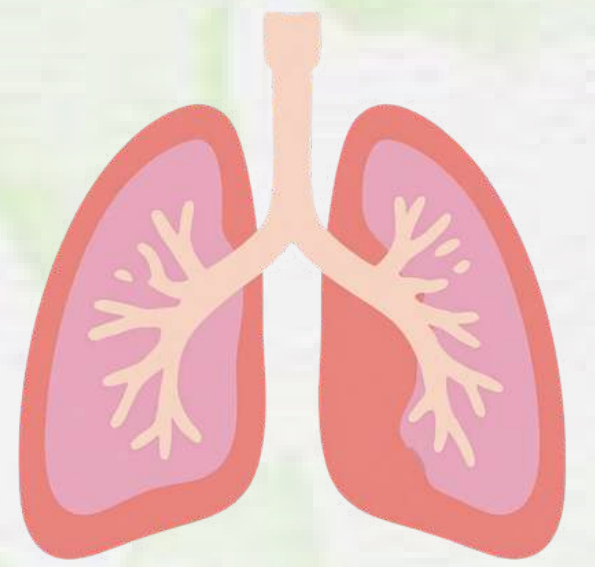
Wishing you all the very best of luck for the year ahead. Keep believing in yourselves, working hard and enjoying your learning!

Have a wonderful summer and good luck in Year 5!



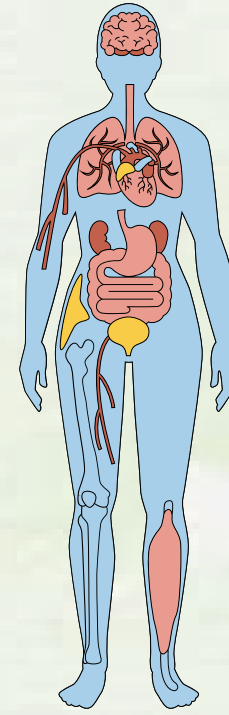


Our Learning Journey Year 5



Miss Mathias and Mrs Dando's Classes

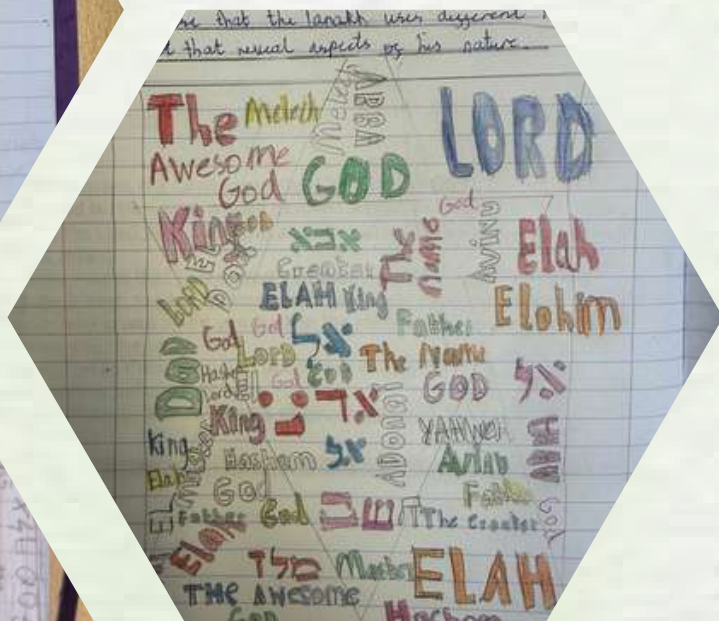
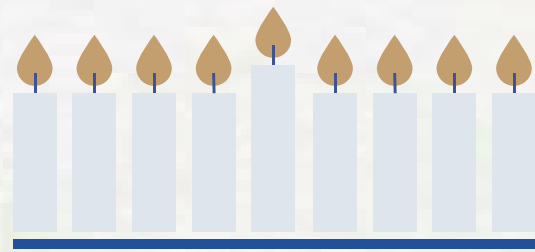
We have had a very busy few weeks and the children have enjoyed the fun activities to finish Year 5!



We have been learning all about the human body. We mapped out the different systems of the human body using our own bodies as a template!

Our sunflowers!

Look at how much our sunflowers have grown - I hope they all take care of them over the holidays and appreciate them as they fully flower



In RE we have learnt about Judaism and made links between Judaism and Christianity. I was so impressed with their word art style artwork in Hebrew and English showing the names of God.



Hello Summer!





Our Learning Journey Year 5



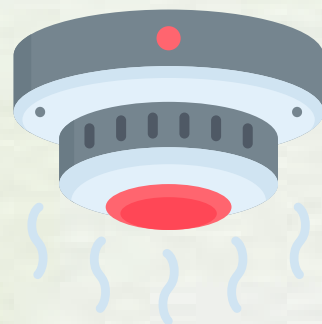
Miss Mathias and Mrs Dando's Classes

We had a fantastic morning with firefighters from Ely Fire Station, who came to talk to us about fire safety! We learnt about hazard which can cause a house fire and what to do if we see a fire starting in our houses or in the community.



The firefighters gave us some homework... to check that we have smoke detectors in our houses and that they work! If you don't have any, they can install them for free. You can apply at this link:

<https://www.southwales-fire.gov.uk/your-safety-wellbeing/at-home/request-a-visit/>



We also got the chance to explore the fire engine and spray the hose! This was great on a hot day!



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Well done Year 5!
Thank you for a fantastic year of memories. You have made us very proud with all your fantastic progress and we know you're ready for Year 6!
Miss Mathias and Mrs Dando

THANK YOU!

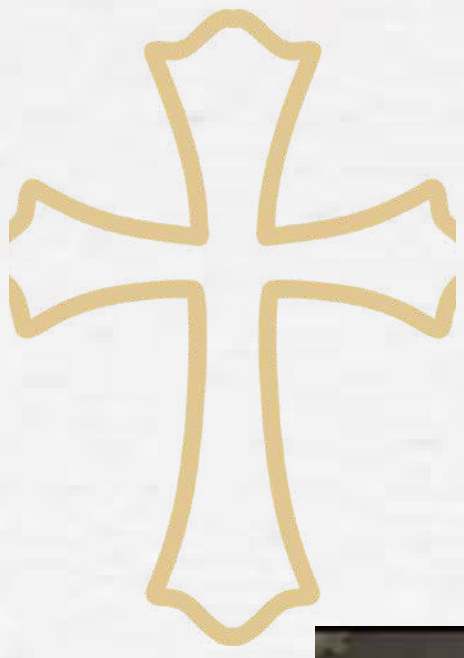


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Football Team





Our Learning Journey

Year 6



Mrs McHugh and Mrs Coray's Classes



Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Assembly

This week, we came together as a school family to celebrate our Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Assembly. It was a joyful and moving occasion, giving us the opportunity to thank God for the many gifts, talents and achievements of our Year 6 pupils during their time at St Francis.

During the Mass, the children reflected on their journey through primary school, offering prayers of thanksgiving and hope as they prepare for the next stage of their education. We are grateful to our families and parish community who joined us in marking this special milestone.

The Leavers' Assembly was filled with wonderful memories, laughter as the children shared reflections, songs and stories from their years at school. We were incredibly proud of the confidence, maturity and gratitude they demonstrated throughout the celebration. Thank you to all parents/guardians who attended and supported these celebrations.

A huge 'high five' to our Year 6 pupils for the positive contribution they have made to school life and for being such excellent role models for the younger children. We wish them every success and happiness as they move on to their secondary schools. Remember, you will always be part of the St Francis family.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)



Our Learning Journey Year 6



Mrs McHugh and Mrs Coray's Classes



Year 6 End of Year School trip – Red Dragon Centre

To celebrate the end of their primary school journey, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Red Dragon Centre in Cardiff. The highlight of the day was a fun-filled bowling session, where the children demonstrated great enthusiasm, teamwork and sportsmanship.

There was plenty of friendly competition, lots of strikes and spares, and even more laughter as the children spent quality time together making lasting memories with their classmates. In addition to bowling, the children thoroughly enjoyed spending time in the arcade, where they challenged their friends, collected tickets and celebrated each other's successes.

The day also included a delicious meal, giving everyone the chance to relax, socialise and enjoy one final special occasion together. It was wonderful to see the children sharing stories, laughter and friendship as they celebrated the end of their time at St Francis.

The pupils were a real credit to the school, displaying excellent behaviour, maturity and respect throughout the day. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and would like to thank the staff who helped make the trip such a memorable experience.

We hope our Year 6 pupils look back on this wonderful day with fond memories as they begin their exciting new adventures in secondary school. 🎳🎮🍕✨





LET'S PLAY



Introducing our new...

Playground Leaders

Twelve of our Year 5 children have had training to become 'Playground Leaders.' This new job is very important as they are in charge of leading groups of children in games and activities during playtimes. They're doing a fantastic job at teaching new games and helping other children make more friends!



LET'S PLAY



Our Journey to Becoming a School of Sanctuary

Schools of Sanctuary is a national initiative that recognises schools that make everyone feel safe and welcome, especially those seeking sanctuary from war or difficult situations. At St. Francis RC Primary School, we believe everyone deserves kindness, respect, and a place where they belong.



As part of our commitment to becoming a School of Sanctuary, we are continuing to build a culture of welcome, understanding and inclusion across our community. Through classroom activities, assemblies and pupil-led discussions, we are encouraging empathy and raising awareness of the experiences of people seeking sanctuary. We are proud to stand together in celebrating diversity and promoting kindness, ensuring that every member of our school feels safe, valued and respected. We look forward to sharing more of our journey with you as we work towards this important recognition.



Our Application

We are incredibly proud to have submitted our application for the

School of Sanctuary Award, marking an important milestone in our commitment to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone in our school community. We are now eagerly awaiting our appraisal, where we will have the opportunity to showcase the fantastic work taking place across our school to promote kindness, understanding, and a culture of belonging. We would like to thank our pupils, staff, families, and wider community for their continued support in helping us make our school a place where everyone feels safe, valued, welcome and included.





Stars of the Month!

Seren y Mis!

Seren Yr Wythnos
Star of the Week

Enw Name _____

Am For _____

Dosbarth Class _____ Dyddiad Date _____

Pennaeth Gynhyddol Miss Langdale



Some of our
Stars of the Week
from this month!

Congratulations
to all the
recipients!



Moving up in Big Maths!



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Let your child's teacher
know if they have
achieved something
outside of school and we
will celebrate them
here!

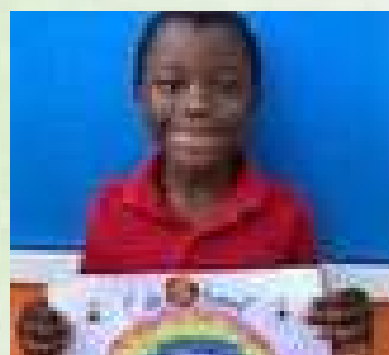
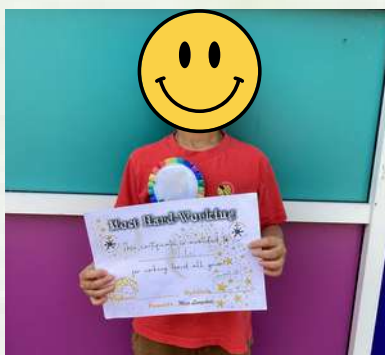
Great resilience!



Super swimming!



Stars of the year! Seren y flywddyn!





SUMMER HOLIDAYS



PLACES KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2026



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily. 12pm to 5pm

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

2 Kids eat free every day until Sept 6th 2026

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with 1 paying adult

BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays until September 1st 2026

BREWDOG

1 Kid eats free with 1 adult, 19th July - 31st August

CAFE ROUGE

Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

CHIKUITO

Kids eat free during all school holidays

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat free Mon 13th July - Sun 6th Sept

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal purchase

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 Kids eat FREE this summer holidays

FLAMING GRILL PUBS

Kids eat for 88p this summer holidays

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FRANCO MANCIA

Kids eat FREE school holidays Mon-Thurs

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HARVESTER

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for 88p this summer holidays

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE via the App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PIZZA HUT

Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm

PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PREZZO

Kids up to age 12 eat for £1 during half terms

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO

Kids eat free every day this summer with a 65p spend

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free until 6th September (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for £1 with 1 adult breakfast

TOBY CARVERY

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

TURTLE BAY

Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend via app

VILLAGE HOTELS

Kids eat free 20th July - 4th Sept via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

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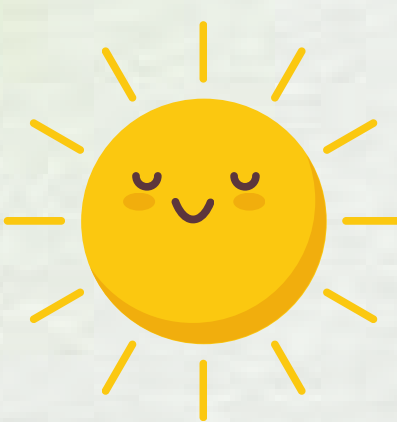
Kids eat free via app during school holidays

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Happy

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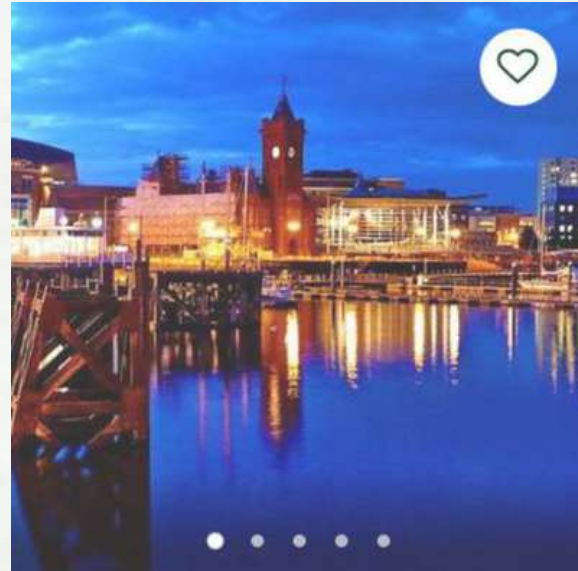
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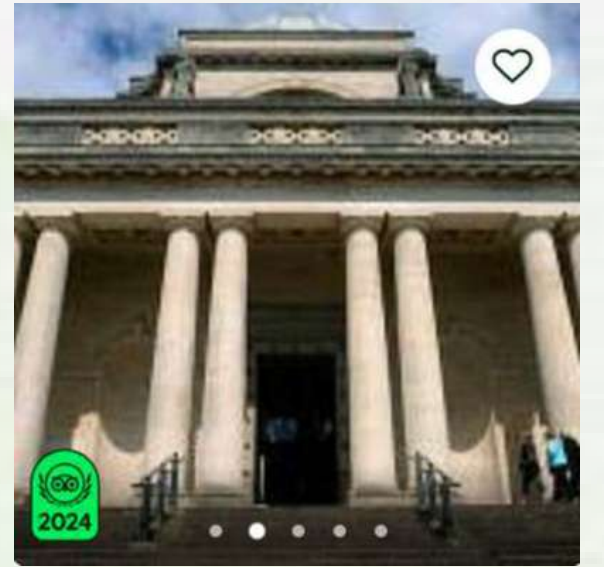
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St Fagans Museum

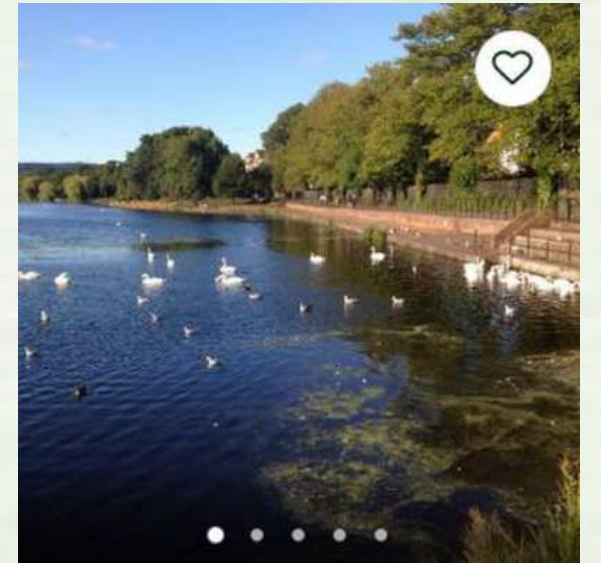


Cardiff Bay

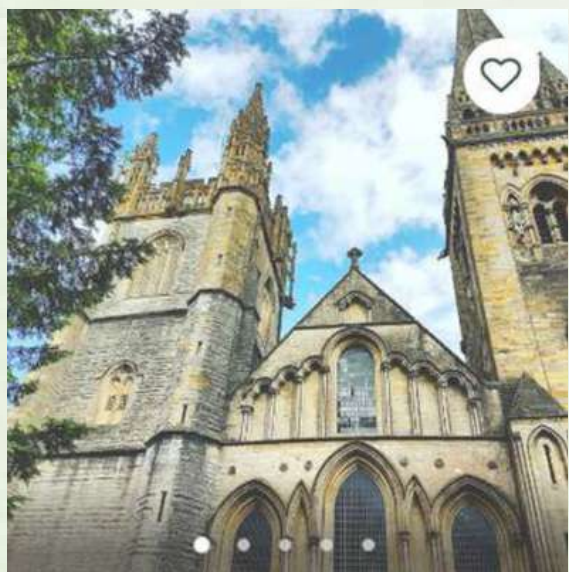


National Museum Cardiff

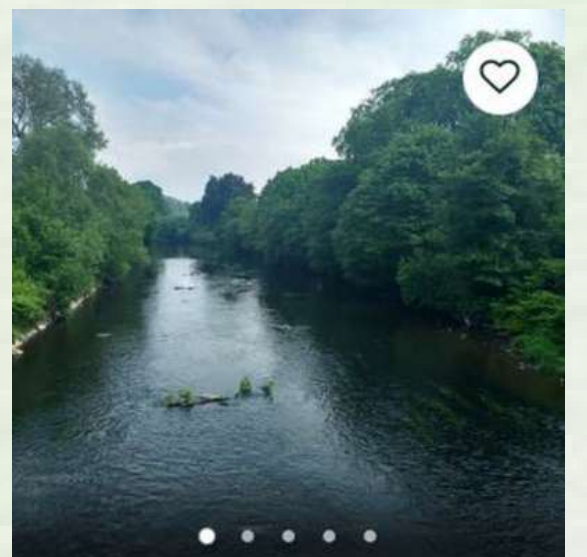
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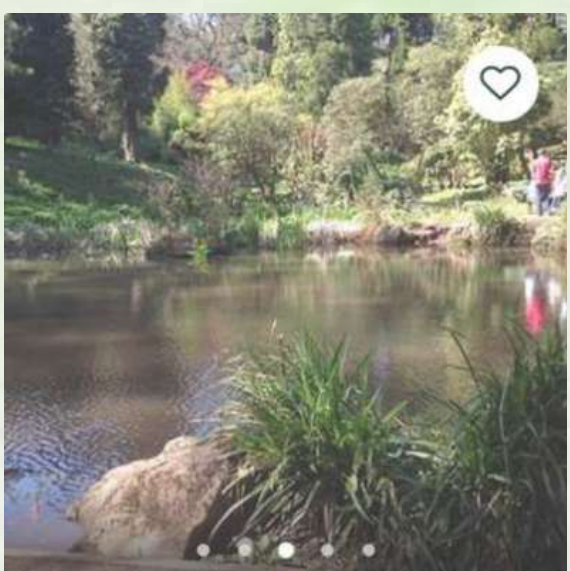
Roath Park



Llandaff Cathedral can do in Cardiff this summer for FREE!

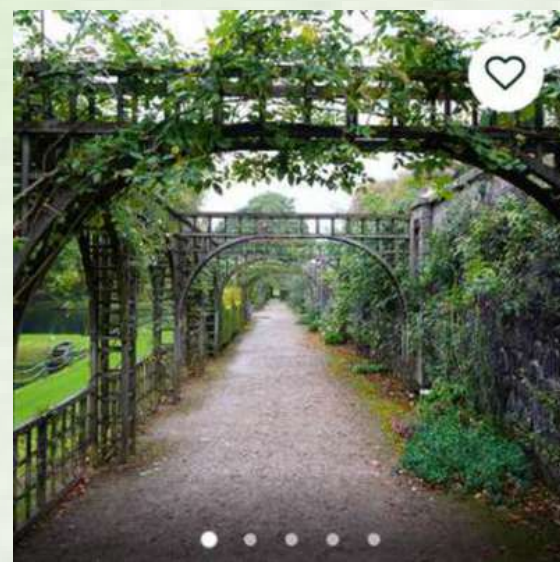


Forest Farm Country Park

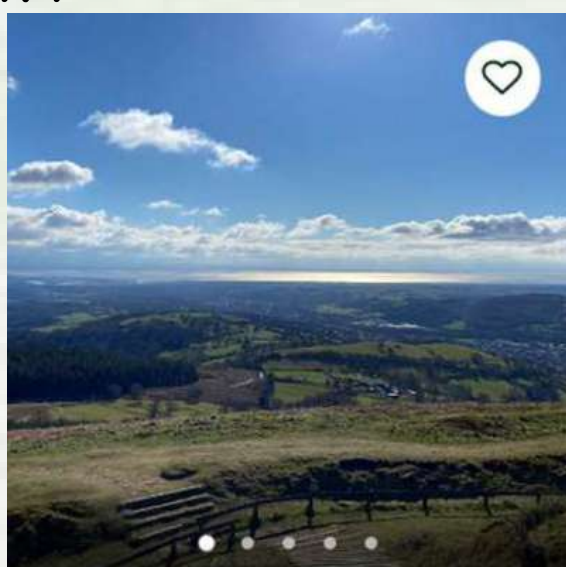


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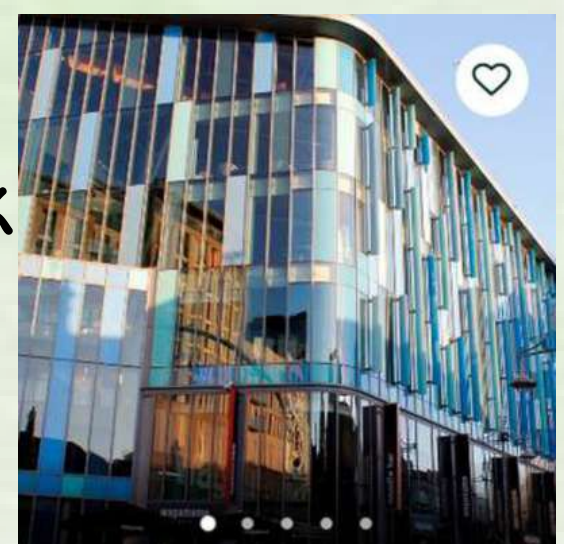
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St Fagans Walk



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Cardiff Central Library

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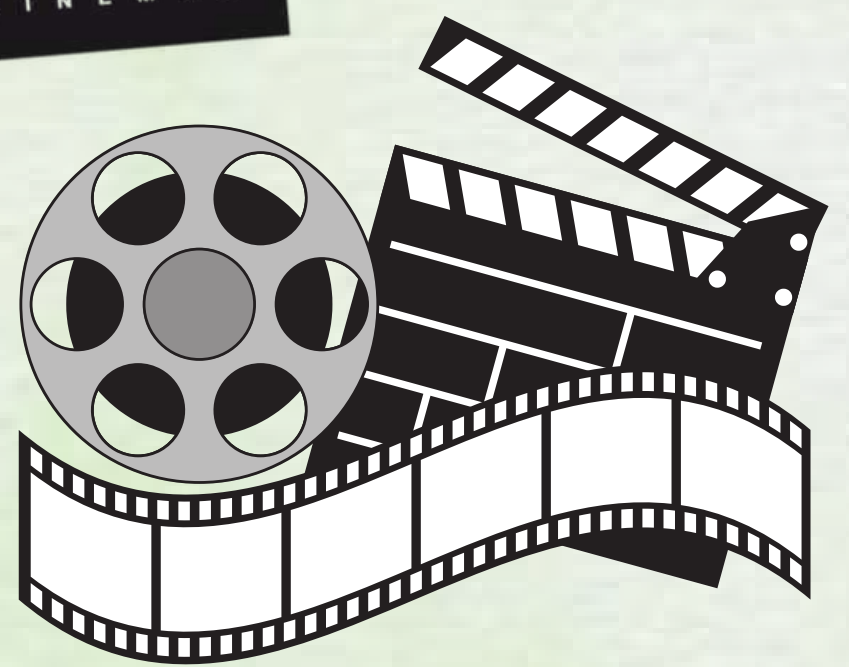
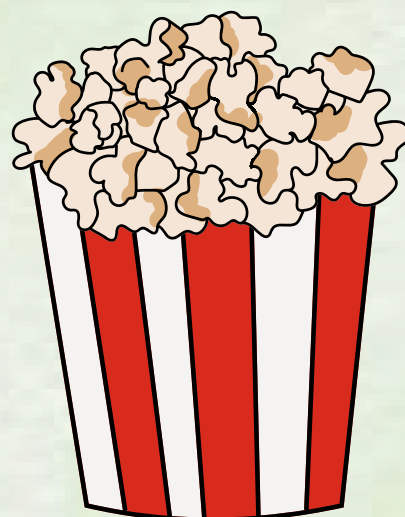


THINGS TO DO



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Lots more ideas can be found
via these websites. Just click
the logos to find out more!



Happy

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Let's Go
with the children



This entitles
St Francis R.C Primary
to

a special delivery of books

*to help promote and celebrate
a love of reading across the school.*

With expert assistance from Becky at Mr B's Emporium
in Bath, this is a carefully curated collection
of books that is designed to encourage
and engage readers of all ages
across the primary phase,
whilst considering themes such as
relationships, belonging,
difference, and diversity,
as well as a smattering
of Welsh myths and culture.

Thank you so much to
Mr Duncan Heryett for
his generous gift of
books to the children
and staff. We are so
grateful!

I hope that you, the staff, and children
will enjoy exploring the range
of themes that the books cover
and, above all, just enjoy
reading either together
— or individually. —



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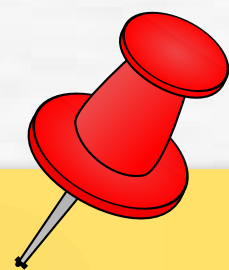


Year on a Page - 2026/27

Blwyddyn ar Dudalen



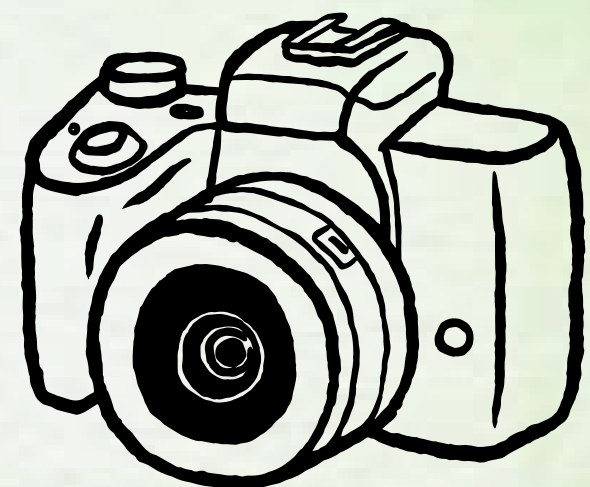
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Autumn Term	01.09.26	26.10.26 - 30.10.26	18.12.26
Spring Term	04.01.27	08.02.27 - 12.02.27	19.03.27
Summer Term	05.04.27	31.05.27 - 04.06.27	20.07.27



Inset Days (subject to change)

1. Tuesday 1st September
2. Wednesday 2nd September
3. Friday 18th December
4. Monday 15th February
5. Monday 19th July
6. Tuesday 20th July

School Photos



TBC

Individual Photographs

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Class Photographs
& Year 6 individuals

Pupil Progress Meetings

TBC - Autumn Term

TBC - Spring Term

End of Year Report in July

Important Dates in the Catholic Calendar

Sunday 4th October - The Feast of St Francis

Sunday 29th November - Advent Starts

Friday 25th December - Christmas Day

Wednesday 10th February - Ash Wednesday

Sunday 21st March - Holy Week Starts

Sunday 28th March - Easter Sunday

Thursday 6th May - Ascension

Sunday 16th May - Pentecost

