



# St. Helen's Catholic Primary School

## Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Helen

Facebook: St. Helen's Catholic Primary School (Official)  
Twitter: @sthcpsbarry  
www.sthelenscps.co.uk

Friday 1st February 2019

Together We Believe + Achieve and Succeed

Gyda'n Gilydd Credwn + Chyflawnwn a Llwyddwn

**Mrs Giernalczyk's Star:** Thomas Whittaker

**Mrs Clawson's Star:** Harry F



**Morning Nursery Star:** Christopher C

**Afternoon Nursery Star:** Roisin F

	Learner of the Week	Friend of the Week	Reader of the Week	Cymraeg of the Week
Dosbarth Mrs Morgan/Mrs Humphreys:	Jenson H	Arlo Q		Zuri A
Dosbarth Mr Thomas	Richie T	Scarlet C	Ffion T	Oliver P
Dosbarth Miss O'Dare	Harry-James WD	Maria A	Oscar M	Zara P
Dosbarth Mrs McCallum	Gabriella A	Lacey W	Zander R	Sofia D
Seren yr Wythnos		Darllenwr yr Wythnos		Seren Cymraeg
Dosbarth St. David's:	George C	Freya W		Eva P
Dosbarth Tregaron:	Lianna P-F	Creddie P		Lois D
Dosbarth Harlech:	Daniel D	Anupama C		Riley W
Dosbarth Efail Isaf:	Zoe S	Isabelle G		Charlie L
Dosbarth Lampeter:	Callum C	Elisha P		Sky H
Dosbarth Ewenny:	Mika T	Ella E		Isaac T
Dosbarth Narberth:	Oliver D	Ieuan D		Lucas H

### Class Attendance week ending 25th January 2019

Dosbarth Derbyn	96.9%
Dosbarth Melyn	98.3%
Dosbarth Oren	96.1%
Dosbarth Gwyrdd	96.0%
Dosbarth St. David's	90.4%
Dosbarth Tregaron	99.1%
Dosbarth Harlech	99.7%
Dosbarth Efail Isaf	95.8%
Dosbarth Lampeter	98.4%
Dosbarth Ewenny	95.0%
Dosbarth Narberth	95.0%



### Congratulations to Dosbarth Melyn & Dosbarth Harlech

Ten minutes extra play for all of you!

### Parentlite

This week you will have received an e-mail from Capital SIMS inviting you to join SIMS Online Services, their new online portal. Capital SIMS have developed a new app called Parentlite to assist with the collection of changes to pupil/parent/carer data, in line with the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). The app will allow you to update the data we hold for you in school via your mobile device. Please ensure you follow the instructions on the e-mail to get yourselves registered.



### KS2 Breakfast Club Reminder

A reminder that the gates are not opened for entry to Breakfast Club until 8.10am. Pupils will not be able to access the school before this time. We have noticed a small number of children being dropped off outside school before the gates have been opened and therefore are being left unsupervised.

### Key Stage 2 After School Clubs w/c 4th February 2019

<b>Monday:</b>	Lego Club (Years 3 to 6) Basketball Training (Years 5 & 6)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Gymnastics (Years 3 & 4) No Rugby except School Team
<b>Thursday:</b>	Volleyball (Years 5 & 6) Mathletics (Years 3 to 6)
<b>Friday:</b>	Football Training (Years 4, 5 & 6)

*All of the above clubs run from 3.30pm-4.30pm and we ask that your child is collected from the school office promptly.*

*Persistent lateness will unfortunately result in your child being unable to continue to attend. We will enforce this decision. Thank you for your support.*

*As it is dark by 4.30pm, all children must be collected from clubs and will not be allowed to walk home unaccompanied.*

### School Clubs Timetable



### Ymadrodd yr Wythnos / Phrase of the Week

Every week we will be focusing on a Welsh Phrase of the Week. Please encourage your child to use this phrase.

*Sut mae'r tywydd? How is the weather?*

*Mae hi'n heulog/bwrw glaw/wyntog/oe'r.*

*It is sunny/raining/windy/cold.*



## Applications for Nursery

Nursery applications for Admission in September 2019 are now open. If your child is 3 years old between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, please call into the office at either site for an application form and return to the school by 22nd March at the very latest.

Parents will be notified of application to Nursery on 25th May 2019.

Parents applying for admission for a Reception place will be notified by the 16th April 2019.

## Meet Our Members of the St. Helen's Governing Body Team

### Mrs Paula Marshman - Foundation Governor

My name is Paula Marshman and I have been a Governor at St Helen's Primary School since 2002, initially starting as a Parent Governor before becoming a Foundation Governor.

I was a pupil at St Helen's myself and my three children Jack, Jamie and Poppy have all been pupils so I have a long history with the school!

I was part of the PTA over the years and am very proud of the Timber Trail that was purchased through the many fundraising events during this time.

I look forward to continuing to support the school in my role as a Governor and believe, achieve and succeed in everything that we do.



Paula Marshman  
Foundation Governor

## Pupils Talent Questionnaire

As a school we continually reflect on ways to develop the whole child. We know from experience that knowing our children well, building on their interests, knowledge and skills helps them to meet their potential; to be healthy, confident individuals, ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

Please support your child in completing the questionnaire that they have brought home today which focuses on what each pupil thinks they are good at, what hobbies and interest they have and any hidden talents. Please return as soon as possible.

## Ground Force Week (11th-15th Feb) @ Foundation Phase

Over the coming weeks we will be designing and implementing changes to our Outdoor Learning Environment at our Foundation Phase site. We will be holding a 'GROUND FORCE' style week on the week commencing 11th February, where we will be asking for volunteers to come and work with the school to help us create this. We are beginning to work with the pupils to gather their ideas.



Please see the letter sent home with your child earlier this week for more information or alternatively you can visit our website [www.sthelenscps.co.uk](http://www.sthelenscps.co.uk) and click on the calendar section under the events tab for more information of materials/help needed.



Gwasanaethau Gwybodaeth I Deuluocedd  
Family Information Services

## VALE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE (FIS)

The School works in partnership with the Vale Information Service.

### FIS Drop In Information Cafe.

Our colleagues from FIS will be holding a drop in session after school at the following sites. Please take this opportunity to talk to the FIS team who will be there to offer advice and support on all things to do with children and families.

**8th Feb - Foundation Phase - Hall 3.15 - 4.15**

**15th Feb - KS2 Site - Hall 3.30 - 4.30.**

## Dressing Up Clothes @ Key Stage 2

Key Stage 2 would be grateful for any donations of old dressing up clothes for the pupils to enjoy and have fun whilst playing.

## All Year 4/5 Pupils

Could all year 4/5 pupils bring in plastic bottles with lids by Tuesday 5th February for our Potions topic. Diolch.

## ParentPay ([www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com))

ParentPay has been up and running in school for some time now. If you have not yet logged into your account, please do so. Payments for school dinners can ONLY be made on ParentPay. ParentPay can also be used to pay for your child's school trips.

All school meals must be paid for IN ADVANCE.

## Are you eligible for Free School Meals?

If you are in receipt of either Jobseekers Allowance Income Based, Income Support, Employment and Support Allowance income related or Guaranteed Pension Credit then you may very well be entitled to receive Free School Meals. Or, if you are in receipt of Child Tax Credit and your income is less than £16,190 per annum, you may also be entitled to claim Free School Meals. If you are in receipt of Working Tax Credits then you are not eligible. For more information, contact either Mrs Champ or Housing Benefits at the Vale of Glamorgan Council on 01446 700111.

The School benefits from additional funding in the form of a development grant to run additional interventions for our pupils.



## Diary Dates

- 8/2: FIS Drop in session @ Foundation Phase
- 11/2: Yr 4/5 Potions Workshop
- 13/2: Yr 4/5 Mad Science Workshop
- 15/2: Year 3: Mass @ St Helen's Church, 9:30am
- 15/2: FIS Drop in session @ Key Stage 2
- 20/2: Narberth Class Assembly: Unity
- 22/2: Narberth: Mass @ St Helen's Church, 9:30am
- 22/2: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation

### 25/2-1/3: Half Term

- 6/3: Ash Wednesday Mass @ St. Helen's Church - 10am
- 13/3: Harlech Class Assembly : Islam
- 15/3: Eisteddfod
- 18/3: KS2 Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 19/3: FPh Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 20/3: KS2 Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 21/3: FPh Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 28/3: Dosbarth Oren Class Assembly
- 29/3: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation
- 15/4: Holy Week

### 15/4-26/4: Easter Holidays

- 29/4: First Day of Summer Term

### 6/5: Bank Holiday

- 7-14/5: National Testing Period
- 24/5: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation

### 27/5-31/5: Half Term

- 17-28/6: Year 4 Swimming Lessons @ Cardiff International Pool
- 24-28/6: Year 5 Residential Visit to Llangrannog
- 28/6: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation
- 19/7: Last Day of Summer Term

