



# St. Helen's Catholic Primary School

## Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Helen

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Gyda'n Gilydd Credwn + Chyflawnwn a Llwyddwn

Friday 8th March 2019

Mrs Giernalczyk's Star: Louie W

Mrs Clawson's Star: Megan M



Morning Nursery Star: Isla G

Afternoon Nursery Star: Alexa A-P

**Learner of the Week    Friend of the Week    Reader of the Week    Cymraeg of the Week**

Dosbarth Mrs Morgan/Mrs Humphreys: Elliott H

Theo D

Jenson H

Dosbarth Mr Thomas: Cohen W

Rose G

Olivia K

Solomon B

Dosbarth Miss O'Dare: Evan P

Billy U

Rhianne L

Pennie B

Dosbarth Mrs McCallum: Jasmine B

Fiona R

Damon W

Orla C

**Seren yr Wythnos**

**Darllenwr yr Wythnos**

**Seren Cymraeg**

Dosbarth St. David's: Faye G

Keira P

Luke W

Dosbarth Tregaron: Caleb P

Thomas W

Kaiya T

Dosbarth Harlech: Zofia W

Danica R

Noel B

Dosbarth Efail Isaf: Steen G

Megan M

Emily H

Dosbarth Lampeter: Elisha P

Freya H

Ewan C

Dosbarth Ewenny: Henley P

Yasmin N

Seren C

Dosbarth Narberth: Gabriella H

Kaidon L

Isaac C

### Class Attendance week ending 22nd February 2019

Dosbarth Derbyn	93.1%
Dosbarth Melyn	93.3%
Dosbarth Oren	94.9%
<b>Dosbarth Gwyrdd</b>	<b>95.1%</b>
<b>Dosbarth St. David's</b>	<b>97.0%</b>
Dosbarth Tregaron	94.5%
Dosbarth Harlech	95.8%
Dosbarth Efail Isaf	93.5%
Dosbarth Lampeter	96.8%
Dosbarth Ewenny	96.5%
Dosbarth Narberth	96.9%



### Key Stage 2 After School Clubs w/c 11th March 2019

- Monday:** Lego Club (Years 3 to 6)  
Basketball Training (Years 5 & 6)
- Tuesday:** Gymnastics (Years 3 & 4)  
Chess (Years 3 to 6)
- Thursday:** Volleyball (Years 5 & 6)  
Mathletics (Years 3 to 6)
- Friday:** Football Training (Years 4, 5 & 6)



**No Rugby**

*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.*

**Congratulations to Dosbarth Gwyrdd & Dosbarth St. David's.**  
Ten minutes extra play for all of you!

### Dates for National Testing

Tuesday 7th May to Tuesday 14th May 2019

Please ensure full attendance for this testing period



### Harlech Class Assembly

Please Note: Harlech Class Assembly has been changed to Wednesday 20th March 2019 @ 3pm.

### 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.

### INSET Days in September 2019

2nd, 3rd and 4th September will be INSET Days.

The pupils will start back to school on Thursday 5th September.



### Holy Communion Offer

Ruckley's have kindly offered St. Helen's pupils 10% off Holy Communion Attire.



### 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.

*Sawl un sy' eisiau cinio? How many want dinners?*

*un, dau, tri, pedwar..... - 1,2,3,4.....*

*Dw i eisiau selsig - I want sausage.*



## Friday 15th March: Eisteddfod

On the 15th March, we will be celebrating St. David's Day  
Foundation Phase pupils can wear their Welsh National costumes or their Home Country National costume.

Key Stage 2 pupils are invited to dress in their house colours or they can wear Welsh/Home Country National costumes when we celebrate St. David's Day.

Please support your child in their Eisteddfod entries, we would encourage everyone to complete at least one entry to be handed in by Monday 11th March. Many Thanks for your support.

Due to restricted space, parents are not able to attend the Eisteddfod.

**St. Andrew**

**St. Patrick**

**St. David**

**St. George**



## Payments for School Meals

In February 2017, in consultation with Vale Catering Services, our School adopted a strict NO DEBT policy relating to its school meal provision. Debts incurred for School Meals are ultimately paid for from the School Budget which means that money which should be spent on the children's education is used to pay for debts incurred by parents. We regularly provide information to parents regarding applying for Free School Meals. If you feel that you may be entitled, we recommend you complete an application form.

May we remind parents that all school meals are to be paid for IN ADVANCE using ParentPay. It is parents' responsibility to ensure that enough credit is available on their child's ParentPay account BEFORE their child orders a meal.

The majority of our parents are fantastic at ensuring that there is enough credit available but unfortunately there are still a few parents who repeatedly allow their child's Parentpay Account to go into debit. Mrs Champ and Mrs Jones always keep parents informed and messages are sent home as soon as your account goes into debit. We ask that when this happens, the debt is cleared immediately and enough credit is added to cover the meals which your child will be ordering for the coming days. Many thanks for your understanding.

## VALE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE (FIS)



The School works in partnership with the Vale Information Service.

### 30 Hour Childcare Offer.

As you may be aware the Welsh Government's 30 Hour Childcare Offer is available to parents in the Vale of Glamorgan from the summer term 2019.

Applications open on the 4th March 2019, if you are interested please contact the Family Information Service Team:

Tel: 01446 704704

Email: [fis@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk](mailto:fis@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk)

## Big Battery Hunt

Please collect as many old batteries as possible in the box which will be recycled.

For more information see: <https://nationalschoolpartnership.com/initiatives/bigbatteryhunt/> The boxes are due back by Friday 3rd May.



## Parent Pupil Progress Meetings

A reminder that Pupil Progress Meetings are taking place 18th & 20th March @ KS2 and 19th & 21st March @ FPh.

If you have a difficulty booking the appointment please see Mrs Jones at FPh or Mrs Champ at the KS2 site who will be happy to book on your behalf.

It is essential that you attend this appointment with your child's teacher.

## Keeping the Community of St Helen's Ticking

Grateful thanks to the whole School Community.

We have so far raised £1575.20

This will enable us to purchase & site one defibrillator.

Please continue to support our charitable effort as part of our Lenten Promise



## Diary Dates

- 12/3: Choir Performance @ St. David's Hall
- 15/3: Eisteddfod
- 18/3: KS2 Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 19/3: FPh Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 20/3: KS2 Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 20/3: Harlech Class Assembly : Islam
- 21/3: FPh Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 21/3: World Down Syndrome Day
- 21/3: Yr6 SRG Activity Day
- 22/3: Lampeter Mass @ St. Helen's Church 9:30am
- 25/3: Yr6 Glamorgan Cricket Stadium Tour
- 27/3: Yr 6 Techniquet Visit
- 28/3: Dosbarth Oren Class Assembly: Mother's Day
- 29/3: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation
- 29/3: Harlech Mass @ St. Helen's Church 9:30am
- 29/3: Yr 5&6 RAF Science Day
- 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

14/5: May Day Procession @ Foundation Phase 2-3pm

22/5: Tregaron Class Assembly: Energy

24/5: Non-Uniform Day - £1 Donation

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

6/6: Dosbarth Melyn Class Assembly: Pentecost

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

1-12/7: Year 6 Cycle Training

### 19/7: Last Day of Summer Term

### 2-4/9: INSET DAYS

5/9: First Day of Autumn Term 2019-2020

## Outdoor Learning

Donations of wellies and wet weather gear / old coats - for children to use in the outdoor learning area. Some children have their own wellies in school which they can use. If you have any objections to other children sharing your wellies please let your class teacher know.



Don't forget Parents' Evening!

