



# St. Helen's Catholic Primary School

## Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Helen

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Friday 10th January 2020

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Gyda'n Gilydd Credwn + Chyflawnwn a Llwyddwn



## Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

Wishing all our families a very happy new year!  
May the blessings of the Lord be with you all.



Mrs Giernalczyk: Cohen W

Mrs Clawson's Star: Luca H.



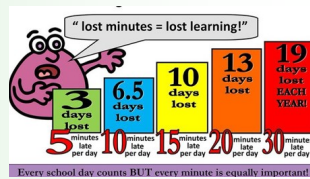
Morning Nursery Star: Jacob W

Afternoon Nursery Star: Marley P

	Learner of the Week	Friend of the Week	Reader of the Week	Seren Cymraeg
Dosbarth Glas:	Evelyn W	Eva H-W		Asher M
Dosbarth Melyn:	Shaya B	Seren W	Jenson H	Richard B
Dosbarth Oren:	Frankie H	Ameya J	Rose G	Holly G
Dosbarth Gwyrdd:	Jace D	Thomas W	Oscar M	Ivan Z
	Seren yr Wythnos	Darllenwr yr Wythnos	Seren Cymraeg	
Dosbarth St. David's:	Lellie J	Maria A	Pennie B	
Dosbarth Tregaron:	Elizabeth B	Jasmyn H	Alexis J	
Dosbarth Lampeter:	Stanley C	Emerson P	Kaiya T	
Dosbarth Hebron:	Nathaniel L	Samuele R	Jack O'C	
Dosbarth Efail Isaf:	Tilly L	Oliver S	Chloe B	
Dosbarth Ewenny:	Idris S	Thomas H	Daniel D	
Dosbarth Narberth:	Riley W	Sofia F	Isabelle G	

### Class Attendance week ending 20th December 2019

Dosbarth Glas	92.2%
<b>Dosbarth Melyn</b>	<b>93.6%</b>
Dosbarth Oren	91.2%
Dosbarth Gwyrdd	91.5%
Dosbarth St. David's	96.4%
Dosbarth Tregaron	85.2%
Dosbarth Hebron	93.1%
<b>Dosbarth Efail Isaf</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
Dosbarth Lampeter	95.2%
Dosbarth Ewenny	95.2%
Dosbarth Narberth	96.2%



Congratulations to **Dosbarth Melyn & Dosbarth Efail Isaf**.  
Ten minutes extra play

### Note for Parents

Please note that teaching and support staff attend a meeting from 8.30 to 8.55am on the following mornings:

**Key Stage 2: Thursday morning**

**Foundation Phase: Friday morning**

The office is un-manned whilst these meetings are taking place.



### Key Stage 2 After School Clubs



w/c 13th January 2020

Monday:	Lego (Years 3 to 6)
	Badminton (Years 3 & 4)
Tuesday	Rugby (Years 5 & 6)
	Chess (Years 3 to 6)
Thursday:	<b>NO CLUBS</b>
Friday:	Football Game at Ysgol Sant Curig (Years 5 & 6)

Unless otherwise stated, after school clubs are held in school and finish at 4.30pm

A reminder that if your child is not able to attend club, a note in their diary must be provided.

### 2019/20 Term Dates

Spring Term:	6th January to 3rd April 2020
	Half Term: 17th February to 21st Feb 2020
Summer Term:	20th April to 20th July 2020
	Half Term: 25th May to 29th May 2020



### KS2 PE Kits

Please ensure your child brings the necessary PE clothing into school for their PE lessons, changing for PE is a necessary part of the session.

Year 6: Monday Year 5: Tuesday Years 3 & 4: Wednesday

## Ymadrodd yr Wythnos / Phrase of the Week

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

**Beth wyt ti'n hoffi? What do you like?**

**Dw'in hoffi het coch. I like my red hat.**



## Dosbarth Glas (Reception)

As part of our new Religious Education topic 'Celebrations' we will be looking at different celebrations and ways in which we celebrate. It would be lovely if your child could bring in a photograph of a celebration which they have been a part of. This could include a birthday, Christmas, wedding, Baptism etc. Your child will have the opportunity to share their picture and tell us all about it.

Please send the photograph in by Friday 17th January.



## Playground reward @ Foundation Phase

Dosbarth Gwyrdd won the Playground reward for good behaviour when lining up sensibly. They have won a session playing on the timber trail at KS2. When the weather brightens up they will receive this reward. Pob lwc to all Foundation Phase classes for this half term.

## 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.



## Communication

Please remember that our primary forms of communication are via the newsletter and Learning Diaries. It is therefore imperative that you read the newsletter and take time every evening to check your children's diaries. Our Twitter and Facebook feeds are tools which we use to celebrate the life of the school and to post reminders of information you should already know.

The weekly newsletter will always be 'pinned' to the top of both the Facebook and Twitter feed for ease of reference, and is emailed to everyone registered on Parent Mail.

Alerts and reminders are sent via Schoop, a communication app for schools. If you need to activate Schoop, please contact the Office at either site who will provide you with an activation letter.



## Payments for School Meals

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.

**It is also the responsibility of parents/carers to clear any longstanding debts, even if your child now has packed lunch.**



## Reception Applications

Applications are now invited for Admission to St. Helen's Catholic Primary School for Reception Class, September 2020. Application forms for children who do not attend the school Nursery are warmly invited. Forms are available from the School Office in person or the school website [www.sthelenscps.co.uk](http://www.sthelenscps.co.uk) The closing date for applications is **today**, 10th January, 2020.



## Battery Recycling

We now have a box in KS2 and FPh for battery recycling which has been provided by [Recycle-more.co.uk](http://Recycle-more.co.uk)

Please send in any house hold batteries to be recycled.

[https://www.recycle-more.co.uk/files/battery\\_leaflet.pdf](https://www.recycle-more.co.uk/files/battery_leaflet.pdf)



Diolch, Mrs Hill

## Mathletics

Please remember to encourage your children to complete their Mathletics activities and score 1000 points per week. Mathletics is a great way for all children to practise their skills and to hone the speed of their mental recall.



## St. David's Class assembly - Wednesday 29th January 2020.

Parents are invited to join us for our class assembly at 3pm in the school hall @ KS2.



## Tregaron Class assembly - Wednesday 12th February 2020.

Parents are invited to join us for our class assembly at 3pm in the school hall @ KS2.

## Dosbarth Glas & Melyn - Train ride and visit to Barry Island

Dosbarth Glas & Melyn will be going on a train ride to visit Barry Island on Friday 17th January 2020. The cost of the trip will be £2.00. A letter has been sent out with your child this week, please return consent and payment as soon as possible. Diolch.



## Diary Dates

29/1: St. David's Class Assembly

31/1: Non Uniform Day - £1 donation

12/2: Tregaron Class Assembly

### 17-21/2: Half Term

26/2: Ash Wednesday Mass

16-27/3: Year 4 Swimming Lessons @ Cardiff International Pool

### 6-17/4: Easter Holidays

28/4-12/5: National Testing Period

### 8/5: Bank Holiday

11-13/5 Year 6 Residential Visit to St. David's

### 25/5-29/5: Half Term

22-26/6: Year 5 Residential Visit to Llangrannog

17/7: Last Day of Summer Term



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