



# St. Helen's Catholic Primary School

## Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Helen

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Friday 24th January 2020

Together We Believe + Achieve and Succeed

Gyda'n Gilydd Credwn + Chyflawnwn a Llwyddwn

Mrs Giernalczyk: Harrison D

Mrs Clawson's Star: Sofia M

Morning Nursery Star: Ashton E

Afternoon Nursery Star: Theo P

|                       | Learner of the Week | Friend of the Week   | Reader of the Week | Seren Cymraeg |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Dosbarth Glas:        | Nanelia A-M         | Finlay H             | Eva H-W            | Layla D       |
| Dosbarth Melyn:       | Amelia B            | Imogen R             | Arlo Q             | Lexi J        |
| Dosbarth Oren:        | Lois F              | Harrison D           | Lillyarna L        | Levi M        |
| Dosbarth Gwyrdd:      | Isabelle T          | Zara P               | Liara P            | Ffion T       |
|                       | Seren yr Wythnos    | Darllenwr yr Wythnos | Seren Cymraeg      |               |
| Dosbarth St. David's: | Jake P              | Macy T               | Lacey W            |               |
| Dosbarth Tregaron:    | Dexter O            | Thomas W             | Keira P            |               |
| Dosbarth Lampeter:    | Luke W              | Eva T                | Ruby-Mae D         |               |
| Dosbarth Hebron:      | Imogen F            | Meliza A             | Zoe S              |               |
| Dosbarth Efail Isaf:  | Olivia J            | Teilo C              | Emily H            |               |
| Dosbarth Ewenny:      | Caitlin O           | Owen H               | Edward P           |               |
| Dosbarth Narberth:    | Alfie S             | Ellison T            | Kai C              |               |



### Class Attendance week ending 17th January 2020

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Dosbarth Glas          | 89.6%        |
| <b>Dosbarth Melyn</b>  | <b>98.4%</b> |
| Dosbarth Oren          | 93.6%        |
| Dosbarth Gwyrdd        | 96.9%        |
| Dosbarth St. David's   | 91.0%        |
| Dosbarth Tregaron      | 93.5%        |
| Dosbarth Hebron        | 96.9%        |
| Dosbarth Efail Isaf    | 92.5%        |
| Dosbarth Lampeter      | 96.6%        |
| <b>Dosbarth Ewenny</b> | <b>98.1%</b> |
| Dosbarth Narberth      | 86.7%        |



Congratulations to **Dosbarth Melyn & Dosbarth Ewenny.**  
Ten minutes extra play

### Nursery Applications

Applications are warmly invited for Nursery children for entry in September 2020.

If your child turns three before the 31st of August 2020 you are eligible to apply. Applications are available on the school website or from the school office at the Foundation Phase Site.

Closing date for Nursery Applications is 22nd March in line with the Local Authority.

Parents will be notified of application to Nursery on 25th May 2020.

### 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 27th January 2020

School Clubs Timetable



|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| Monday:   | Lego (Years 3 to 6)          |
|           | Badminton (Years 3 & 4)      |
| Tuesday   | Rugby Match @ Gwenfo Primary |
|           | Chess (Years 3 to 6)         |
| Thursday: | Mathletics (Years 3 to 6)    |
|           | Volleyball (Years 5 & 6)     |
| Friday:   | Football (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.



### School Timings



|                          | FPh          | KS2          |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Breakfast Club:          | 08:00-08:20  | 08:10-08:40  |
| Gates Open am:           | 08:50        | 08:40        |
| <b>Gates Close am:</b>   | <b>09:00</b> | <b>08:55</b> |
| <b>Nursery PM Open:</b>  | <b>12:45</b> |              |
| <b>Nursery PM Close:</b> | <b>12:50</b> |              |
| Gates Open pm:           | 15:15        | 15:25        |
| <b>Gates Close pm:</b>   | <b>15:25</b> | <b>15:40</b> |

### 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      |



## 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 sydd ar y bwrdd?- What is on the table?**

**Mae llyfr ar y bwrdd - There is a book on the table.**



## 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

## Forest Schools - All Year 3 Children

Over the next 4 weeks on a **Wednesday afternoon** all Year 3 children from St. David's & Tregaron will be taking part in Forest Schools. Forest Schools will happen in all weathers (unless it is VERY windy!) They will wear their School Uniform to school as normal and change into their Forest School clothes after lunch. Please send in clothes that you don't mind getting dirty!

Diolch, Mrs Morgan



## 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.



## 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.**



## Presbytery Car Park

Please do not park in the Presbytery car park, this is not for use by parents when dropping off and collecting your child.



## Non-Uniform Wear Red for Wales for Velindre

Friday 31st January 2020

Both sites (Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2)

All donations gratefully received. Diolch.



## St. Helen's Stores

We are delighted to announce the opening of our St. Helen's Stores. Huge thanks to Tesco, Dinas Powys who we will be working in partnership with. We will receive 'near to sell by/use by date produce' or no longer stocked items which you may help yourself to as and when it arrives.

#reducewaste #ethicallyinformedcitizens

## 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.

## Diary Dates

- 29/1: St. David's Class Assembly
- 31/1: Non Uniform Day wear **RED** for Velindre
- 11/2: Senedd Day
- 12/2: Tregaron Class Assembly
- 17-21/2: Half Term**
- 26/2: Ash Wednesday Mass
- 28/2: Non Uniform Day - £1 donation
- 6/3: Eisteddfod
- 11/3: Year 5 visit to Llancaich Fawr
- 16-27/3: Year 4 Swimming Lessons @ Cardiff International Pool
- 26/3: Year 6 Activity Day @ SRG
- 27/3: Non Uniform Day - £1 donation
- 30/3-3/4: Holy Week**
- 3/4: Last Day of Spring Term**
- 6-17/4: Easter Holidays**
- 20/4: First Day of Summer Term**
- 24/4: Non Uniform Day - £1 donation
- 28/4-12/5: National Testing Period
- 8/5: **Bank Holiday**
- 12/5: May Day Procession @ FPh 2pm
- 11-13/5 Year 6 Residential Visit to St. David's
- 25/5-29/5: Half Term**
- 10/6: Lampeter Class Assembly
- 15/6: Colorfoto Group Pictures
- 18/6: Glas Class Assembly
- 19/6: Whole School Mass @ St. Helen's Church 10am
- 22-26/6: Year 5 Residential Visit to Llangranog
- 24/6: Narberth Class Assembly
- 26/6: Non Uniform Day - £1 donation
- 3/7: Year 6 Day Visit to SRG
- 8/7: Leaver's Mass @ St. Helen's Church
- 8/7: Nursery am & pm Class Assembly
- 9/7: KS2 Sports Day @ Jenner Park
- 17/7: Last Day of Summer Term**

