Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig St Anthony St Anthony's Catholic Primary School Newyddlen Tymor y Hydref - Medi 13 2024 Autumn Term Newsletter - 13th September 2024

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ATTEND AND ACHIEVE!

Please remember to phone school when your child is off to let us know or it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. **Our school target is 96%**

Whole school attendance for this week is: 86.4%



Every Day Counts

ST ANTHONY'S AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations to Mrs Drew's class who won the highest attendance cup this week for achieving 100% attendance!



67 pupils achieved 100% attendance this week - amazing!! Let's see if we can beat that score going forward.



ROLE MODEL OF THE WEEK	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF THE WEEK
MOYINOLUWA	DAISY
David	Dотту
AMAYA	JEDIDIAH



WELL DONE TO ALL THESE PUPILS FOR WORKING HARD AND SETTING A GOOD EXAMPLE.

Attendance is so important. Please get your child to school. If they appear unwell we will look after them or ring you if they become too unwell to stay in school. We have staff to administer medicines if you complete the relevant forms to allow us to, and three trained first aiders on the staff team. If you need to attend an appointment please bring your child in before, or after the appointment (depending on the time of appointment). Obviously, we do not want you to send in your child if they are very unwell or contagious.

We know as parents, when our children are feeling under the weather or have a sniffle, we are unsure as to whether to send them in or keep them at home - please rest assured we will look after them in school and ensure they drink plenty of fluids. If children are feeling very poorly, we will of course contact you to collect them.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. We are (nearly all) parents ourselves and have the same dilemma when our own children say/seem unwell.

NEW RECEPTION 2024. The Flintshire leader will be in school on Wednesday 25th September to take a picture of all the new Reception children.

YEAR 5 AND 6 TRIPS TO ST DAVID'S HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY DAYS.

Art - October 11th Science + Technology - November 29th Humanities - February 7th

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Our pupils have attended these free activity days previously and had a really fun day. We will send out more information nearer the time.

Mrs Gibbons class - Swimming.

Please ensure your child remembers their kit and a towel. The swimming lessons are free however we require the payment to help cover the cost of their coach travel. Payment is £3.50 per week payable via school gateway.

Swimming lessons are a part of their curriculum therefore all pupils should be taking part unless there is a valid medical reason discussed with your child's teacher. All pupils will be expected to go with their class on the bus even if they do not swim.

<u>SNACKS</u> -Thank you for all your support so far. We are very happy to see that the children are bringing in only a piece of fruit or vegetable for their breaktime snack.

Healthy snacks can be bought from school, the cost is 30p per day and is only payable through school gateway - no cash alternative. The minimum payment is set at £1.50 this will cover 5 days. Snack registers will be printed daily to show us who has ordered their playtime snack which they can get from the fruit trolley.

Please don't forget you need to <u>book</u> the snack club separately to ensure your child appears on the daily fruit club register. Payment alone will not add them to the register

OWN CLOTHES DAY - 26^{TH} SEPTEMBER. Children can wear their own clothes to school and bring in a £1.00 (cash) - we will use the money to buy cakes for Macmillan Coffee morning and any left-over will be donated to Macmillan.

MACMILLAN CUPPA MORNING - FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER.

Doors open on entry to school and will be held in our staffroom hosted by Mrs Mac, our head boy and girl and some of our governors. Please pop in and help us raise money for an excellent charity close to many of our hearts.

BIN ON YARD

Please do not dispose of food, plastic, metal, paper or nappies in the yard waste bin. We legally must recycle and this bin has caused us problems since being back in school. If you need to change your baby/pre-schooler, please ask and you can use our changing station in the building. Recycling bags will soon be provided on the yard.

<u>ASDA CASH POT FOR SCHOOLS</u> - Please bear this in mind and sign up if possible to help support your school. Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of their spend. And that's not all — every time a customer chooses your primary school, Asda will donate £1 to your school's Cashpot, plus a further £50 when your first customer shops.

<u>CONSENT</u> - If your child/children are in Years 5 and 6 and are allowed to walk home from school on their own please can we ask parents to email school so that we have a record of consent.

REMINDERS

The school gate will open at 8.45am and then close promptly at 9am. Any children arriving after 9am must enter through the front door via the high street entrance with an adult. The gate to the school playground will then re-open at 3.10 for the end of the school day.

Please also remember to email or phone school if your child will be absent from school or if you are running late and need to order a school lunch.

BREAKFAST CLUB - Opens at 7.50am, Monday to Friday term time.

Between 7.50am and 8.20 the charge is £1.50 per child, payable and bookable via school gateway. Between 8.20am and 8.30am breakfast club is free.

<u>MEDICAL RECORDS</u> - Please can parents/guardians keep school fully informed of <u>any</u> changes to medical conditions and any allergies. Please contact the school office with any information.

Inhalers are vital therefore, please can we ask if your child is diagnosed as asthmatic that parents/guardians send a spare inhaler to keep in school at all times. GP'S will provide and extra inhaler for keeping in school.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Harvest Mass	Thursday 24 th October 2024
Mrs Drew Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 23 rd October 2024
Mrs Gibbons Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 19 th February 2025
Mrs Mulgrew Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 11 th June 2025
School Photos	Wednesday 6 th November
Pantomime	Wednesday 4 th December 2024
Christmas Play	Wednesday 11 th December 2024
Sports Day	Friday 13 th June 2025
Parents 'settling in' Evening	23 rd October 2024
Parents evening.	8 th and 9 th April 2025
Kingswood Residential trip 2025	(Years 4,5, and 6) May 14 th 15 th and 16 th 2025

<u>LABELLING</u> - Can parents make sure <u>all their child's belongings are clearly labelled</u>. When children are removing jumpers/cardigans and changing for PE etc, it can become difficult to match them to the owner if they are not labelled. We also ask that all pupils have their own water bottle in school - especially during this warm weather. Thank you.

<u>P.E -</u> Children can come to school wearing PE kit on their PE days. Class teachers will let you know when that is for your child.