



# St David's Catholic Primary School

'Living and learning through Jesus in all that we do'  
'Yn byw a dysgu trwy'r Iesu yn bob peth rydym yn gwneud'

Providing Catholic education for the Parishes of St David's, Mold and Our Lady of the Rosary, Buckley and surrounding areas.

25th January 2019

## Reflection

*'He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.'*

*Our days are bombarded with news from the moment we wake until we go off to sleep.*

*How do we filter out the good from the bad?*

*In the New Testament, the four gospels speak about the Good News of the kingdom of God. What do we do to bring GOOD NEWS to the people we meet?*

## Contact Numbers

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## Website/Social Media

[www.stdavidsprimary.co.uk](http://www.stdavidsprimary.co.uk)



**Facebook:** St David's Catholic Primary School, Mold



**Twitter:** @StDavidsMold

## Office Hours

Monday: 8.45 am - 12.15 pm

Tuesday: 8.45 am - 12.15 pm

Wednesday: 8.45 am - 12.15 pm

Thursday: 8.45 am - 12.15 pm

Friday: 8.45 am - 12.45 pm

Dear Parents/Guardians

### Attendance

(05.09.18-24.01.19)

<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>	<u>Class 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
91.4%	91.5%	93.2%	93.6%	93.2%

Congratulations to Year 3 for exceeding our Attendance Target of 95%. Well done and keep it up!

### School/Parish Mass

A huge thank you to everyone who came to our first School/Parish Mass of 2019. It was wonderful to see so many children taking part in the celebration. Da iawn. Diolch yn fawr!

### Welsh National Tests

As previously advised, the testing period for Welsh National Tests this year is between 7th and 14th May. Please be advised that I am unable to authorise **any** requests for holidays during this period.

### Nursery Preference Forms 2019

The Nursery Preference Forms for September 2019 are due to be sent out shortly (for return by 22nd February). These forms will only be sent out to those parents who have registered an interest in their child attending our Nursery, so if you know anyone with a child who will be 3 by 31st August 2019 who may be interested, please ask them to contact us. For parents with slightly younger children (minimum 2 years 4 months), there are places available in St David's Playgroup, which can be contacted directly via the number on this newsletter.

### Dydd Santes Dwynwen - St Dwynwen's Day

Celebrate Dydd Santes Dwynwen - 25th January is a special day in Wales. Dydd Santes Dwynwen is considered to be the Welsh equivalent to Valentine's Day. Dwynwen is the Welsh patron saint of love. Dwynwen travelled from South Wales to Anglesey where she built a church at Llanddwyn, the remains of which can still be seen today - I wonder why she left South Wales? Why not find out more about Dwynwen over the weekend?

### School Masses

Our next School Mass is on Wednesday, 30th January at 9.15 am, led by Class 3.

### Sacramental Preparation 2019

Preparation classes for children wishing to make their First Holy Communion next year will start in the New Year. There will be a meeting for parents on Thursday, 31st January, at 3.30 pm in the School Hall. To be eligible, your child must be at least 8 years old by 31st August 2019. Please note a copy of the baptismal certificate will be required as soon as possible for any child who was not baptised in St David's Church, Mold. Copies of a form registering your child are available from School or Father Pius.

### Altar Servers

As a school, we have been fortunate to provide St David's Church with Altar Servers over many years. Would your child like to serve on the Altar in St David's? Please contact the School Office for further information.

### Adverse Weather Conditions

In the event of adverse weather, please go to [www.flintshire.gov.uk](http://www.flintshire.gov.uk) and go onto Emergency School Closure Alerts, where details of all school closures will be available. If you do not have internet access, listen to Radio Wales or Heart FM for the latest updates. It is now also possible to register to receive an email via a smart phone or PC for details of emergency closures. To do this, please go to [www.flintshire.gov.uk/schoolclousureregistration](http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/schoolclousureregistration).

### Health and safety

May I take this opportunity to remind parents about the hazards of dropping your children off on St David's Lane. Please use the Church Car Park as there have been some near misses recently.

### Celebrating St David's Day

As 1st March this year falls in half term we have decided to celebrate the Feast of our Patron Saint over two days. This year we will be celebrating the Feast of St David with a Whole School Mass on Thursday, 21st February, at 9.15 am. On Friday, 22nd February, our "Eisteddfod yn yr ysgol" will commence with the Foundation Phase pupils at 9.30 am, followed by Key Stage 2 pupils at 1.30 pm. All are welcome. National costumes maybe worn on Friday, 22nd February.

### Class 3 Tudor Experience

Class 3 travelled back in time for a Tudor Experience at Tatton Old Farm. Lots of fun was had by all.

### Fire Safety

Many thanks to the two fire fighters from Wrexham who delivered a fire safety session to pupils in Classes 2 and 4 last week.

### Maths Challenge Day

We held a Maths Challenge Day on Friday, 11th January. A big thanks to the staff for organising the day and to the children for engaging in the exciting activities!

Many thanks for your continued help and support.

Mr S P Hughes  
Headteacher



### **Welsh Phrases**

*To help promote bilingualism we are working on the following phrase this week. Why not try it out at home?*

*Dydd Santes Dwynwen*

*Saint Dwynwen's Day*

### **Class Masses & Assemblies**

**Wednesday, 30th January -**  
*Mass led by Class 4*

**Thursday, 7th February - Mass**  
*led by Foundation Phase*

### **Extra Curricular Activities** **(Spring Term)**

Tuesday: Choir (Lunch)

Wednesday: Dodgeball  
(Years 2-6 only)  
(3.15 - 4.00 pm)

Thursday: Guitar  
(3.00-3.30 pm)

Friday: Art Club  
Year 3 (Lunch)  
Cookery Club  
Year 6 (Lunch)  
Guitar  
(3.00 -3.30 pm)

### **Diary Dates**

*Friday, 22nd February - School closes for half term*

*Monday, 4th March - School re-opens*

*Ash Wednesday, 6th March*

*Friday, 12th April- School closes for Easter*

*Monday, 29th April - Training Day (school closed to pupils)*

*Tuesday, 30th April - School re-opens for Summer Term*

*Monday, 6th May - May Bank Holiday*