



Learn, Live, Believe

St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School  
Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Bernadette  
We are a Christ centred community reaching out to others. We learn, grow and celebrate together.

## Weekly Newsletter

12th Medi 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been informed that, weather permitting, work on the roof will start next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Please be assured that all safety measures have been put in place and school can continue as normal.

Thank you to all our friends and families that joined us to celebrate our Welcome Mass on Thursday morning. It was a joy to be part of the celebration during which the children were reverent and enthusiastic throughout. Thank you to Fr Keith who led the Mass and welcomed back staff and children as well as our new starters. It was a wonderful way to start our new school year and remember that we are still in the Jubilee Year of Hope introduced by our late Pope Francis.



This half term at St Bernadette's, we will be focusing on the Jesuit Profile Virtues:



### ELOQUENT and TRUTHFUL

The definition of the words were explained in whole school assembly and the children were challenged to spell them. It would be interesting to see if the children can still remember what they mean and how they are spelt at home! We talked about the importance of being able to express your feelings, ask questions to find things out, or to communicate with others whilst ensuring that what we know and say is true and right. We

reminded ourselves to only ever use KIND words.

*Dear God, prepare me to carry your word to the busy world.*

*Give me the strength to make sure that the words I choose are always used to help and support others and never used to upset anyone.*

*Help me to become more eloquent; to be able to speak your words, to stand up for others and ensure that I always speak the truth. Amen.*



Curriculum Leaflet for your child/ren detailing the topics that they will be covering this Autumn term., are now available on Google Classroom .We hope you find this leaflet useful and it enables you to discuss these topics with your child.

As pupils return to school, it's more important than ever to protect them from measles. Recent outbreaks in Wales and across the UK show how quickly measles can spread—especially in school settings.

If measles is confirmed in school, unvaccinated close contacts will have to isolate for 21 days—severely impacting learning and family life.

### **Why act now?**

- Measles is extremely contagious. 9 out of 10 unvaccinated people exposed will catch it.
- Complications can be serious: pneumonia, meningitis, hearing or sight loss, and even death.
- Young children and pregnant people are especially at risk.
- The vaccine is safe and provides life-long protection.

### **What you need to do:**

- **Consent:** Cardiff and the Vale UHB immunisation teams are visiting schools across the city to offer the vaccine. If your child is offered the MMR vaccine at school, please complete and return the consent form.
- **Symptoms:** Watch for rash, fever, cough, runny nose, and red eyes. Keep children with symptoms at home and contact your GP or NHS 111.

If you are unsure if your child has had the MMR vaccine, check your child's personal health record (red book) in the first instance. If you remain unsure, other options include:

- Contacting the School Nursing team on 02920 907661 or 02920 907664, alternatively emailing [Immunisation.Cavuhbschoolnursing@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Immunisation.Cavuhbschoolnursing@wales.nhs.uk)
- Contacting your GP practice, avoiding peak times such as early mornings where possible

For more information, visit the [Public Health Wales website](#).

## Meithrin

We were very lucky this week as in the Early Years Area we were joined by some new friends, who have settled in very well.

Our new topic is 'The Big Wide World' We have been thinking about -

How does the world look?

What countries are in the world?

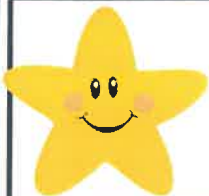
Who made the words?



We also took part in a hands on Kett session, which looked at creation.

We looked at who made us and whose image we are made in.

We are made in God's image and we are all special.

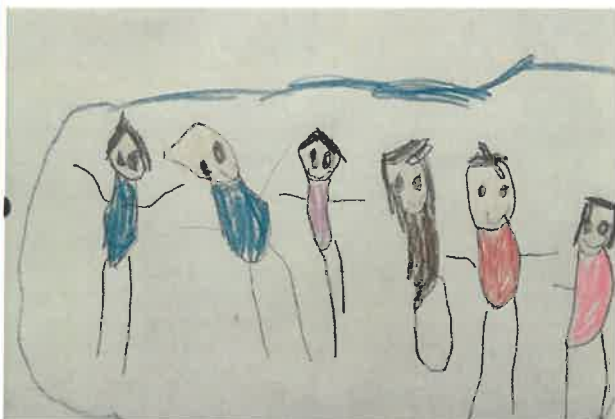


**Stars of the week: Every one from Nursery has been absolutely amazing and we are delighted with them all!**

# Derbyn

All families are different and special

This week we have been talking about how all families are different and special. We talked about how some families are big, some are small, some people have lots of pets, some have none, we talked about lots of different types of families.



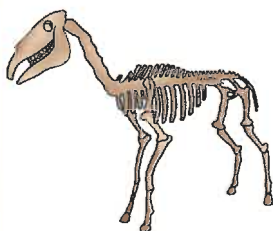
**Stars of the week:** All the Reception children for being super-stars since they have started with us. Da iawn Reception.

## Blwydynn 1

Bl 1 have settled extremely well into Year 1 and we could not be prouder of them. They are settling well into the daily routines, and we are looking forward to the year ahead.

This week we have kick started our topic 'Dinosaurs' by exploring the eating habits of animals. We explored herbivore and carnivore diets and sorted animals according to their favourite meals! We discovered that carnivores like to eat meat and herbivores enjoy plants.

We had the fun job of exploring animal poo! We wondered whether we would find bones or plants inside. We had so much fun creating our own Dinosaur poo using dough and adding leaves and bones.



### Seren Yr Wythnos: Adam

Adam has settled extremely well into Year 1. He has shown that he is enthusiastic about learning and has really impressed us with his number work this week. Bendigedig Adam!



## Blwyddyn 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic full week in school. They have enjoyed catching up from their summer holidays and have enjoyed getting to know the routine of their new class year. This week, they have been introduced to their new topic 'Scented Garden' and have discussed what they would like to learn about. In PE this week, we look at a range of body movements and turning their movements into sequences.



**Seren yr Wythnos:** Ephraim He has had an amazing start to year 2. He is such a fabulous little boy. He has been listening really well, been a wonderful friend to others, working so hard and is very helpful around the classroom.

## Blwyddyn 3

What an exciting week it has been! The children have been working incredibly hard on writing their speeches for the committee positions they wish to be considered for. Each student had the opportunity to stand in front of the class and share why they would make the best representative for Year 3. It was an inspiring sight to see the children express their thoughts and ideas so confidently!



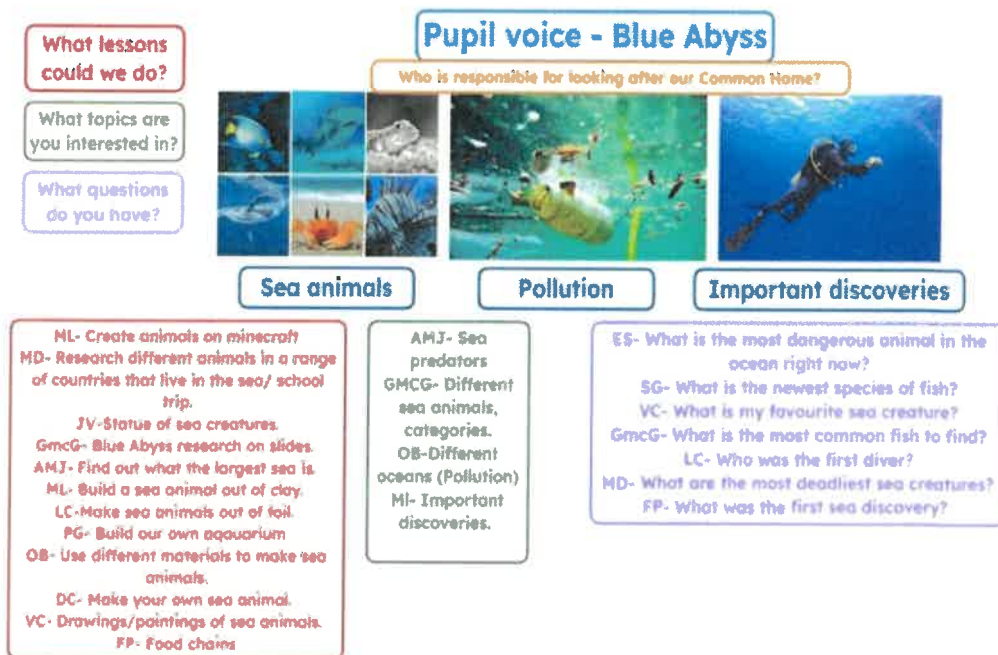
To make the process even more engaging, we held a pupil-led voting event, allowing the class to take charge in selecting their representative for this year. We are absolutely thrilled with the level of effort and creativity each child demonstrated in their speeches. It was truly heart warming to see them support each other and celebrate their peers. Well done, Year 3! We're so proud of you all for stepping up and showcasing your talents!



**Stars of the week:** : Isla. This week, we're thrilled to celebrate Isla as our Star of the Week! She's kicked off Year 3 with such a positive mindset and a ready-to-learn attitude. Isla truly sets a fantastic example for her classmates, demonstrating what it means to be a good learner. She consistently gives 100% in every area of her learning. Da iawn Isla! We are all super proud of you keep up the good work.

## Blwydynn 4

It has been a pleasure to welcome Year 4 back this week. We have started to explore our new topic 'Blue Abyss'. Using our chrome books, we have been researching different sea creatures. We have found lots of fascinating facts and presented them in a variety of ways. In English, we have been looking at the difference between autobiographies and biographies. As a whole class, we discussed the similarities and differences between them. Using a table, we sorted our thoughts ahead of our key feature task next week. In science, we looked at the different layers of the Ocean. We identified the 5 different layers and labelled our Ocean designs.



Together, we discussed the importance of pupil voice. As a class, we discussed and shared what we would like to do in our Blue Abyss topic. We created a KWDL grid and a seesaw slide together.

We also enjoyed drawing on the table in maths! We recapped our previous learning of place value, breaking down hundreds, tens and ones. We are looking forward to tackling our thousands next week!



**Star of the Week: Niamh!** Niamh wrote a fantastic story about her journey under the sea. Niamh used her imagination to bring her story to life! Da iawn Niamh. Keep it up. We are so proud of you.

## Blwyddyn 5



What a fantastic start we have made to Year 5. Using KWDL we have planned our first topic 'Sow, Grow, Farm' and started our first class book study 'Farm Boy' by Michael Morpurgo.

We are already showing mature and hard working attitudes towards our learning and we are focussing on how we can make a difference to the world God gave us



"This week I've really enjoyed writing our stories because we got to speak to people in the class and share our ideas" Rose

"I liked doing our cold write because I have really good ideas and writing them down is fun" Lilah

"I have had a lot of fun learning about our book 'Farm Boy' and things about farms" Logan



Seren yr Wythnos in blwyddyn 5 is Lily-Mai. What a fantastic start to the year she has had. Lily-Mai has been listening carefully, joining in with all class discussions, shared her ideas and been a wonderful friend. We are so proud of you Lily-Mai,

## Blwyddyn 6

We are delighted to welcome our new Bl6 class of learners back to school! We know that you are going to be enthusiastic and engaged, we have loved discussing our new learning topics this week and gathering your ideas.



**Star of the week:** Llongyfarchiadau to all of our Bl6 learners this week. You've all looked incredibly smart in your uniforms. You have all contributed your ideas to our Class Charter to help create our class rules.



## Seren Yr Ythnos

Nursery - All of Nursery  
Reception – All of Reception  
Year 1 – Adam  
Year 2 – Ephraim  
Year 3 – Isla  
Year 4 – Niamh  
Year 5 – Lily-Mai  
Year 6— All of Year 6





# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Tuesday: Multisport (Yr 1&2) 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Wednesday: Multisport (Yr 3&4) 3.15pm - 4.15pm

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