



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 **4th Gorffennaf 2025**



All twenty Catholic schools in Cardiff and the Vale: primary, secondaries and our sixth form college, all participated in a joyous Mass in the Cathedral this morning to celebrate the Pilgrim of Hope year. Children from St Bernadette's attended the Mass and were an absolute credit to the school.



Every school took turns walking the beautiful staff to each other with St Albans, carrying the staff on the last leg of its journey, into the Cathedral. It will remain there as a symbol of the hope, strength and unity of Catholic education in the city. All schools were presented with a certificate as a reminder of the celebratory event!



As well as a hugely successful sports day this week where the weather remained dry, we were delighted that we managed to get consent for every single child in St Bernadette's to have their turn on the inflatable obstacle course. There was much excitement and squeals of laughter as the children took it in turns. An event they will definitely remember!

Attendance and Punctuality this Week 30th June-7th July . Joint attendance winners this week—BI2 and BI 3—Da iawn! Well done to Reception and Y5—not one child was late for school—excellent news! Only two weeks left to see if your class can beat them.

Class	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	87%	94.3%	92.4%	96%	96%	95%	92%	88.3%
Late	1pupils	0pupils	6 pupils	10pupils	1pupils	11pupils	0pupils	4pupils



Health and Well-Being Fortnight has been a wonderful success and the children have had a fabulous one. Thank you to all our visitors, and to the staff for their enthusiasm and constant dedication to ensuring the children have a host of experiences. Thank you also to the children for their willingness to give everything a go and for their resilience. Thank you also to all our families who have supported our events.

Foundation Phase and Junior Sports Day 2025

On Tuesday in the glorious sun we held another successful Foundation Phase and KS2 sports day! The pupils took part in a mix of carousel activities to earn valuable house points for their teams. After the children had completed their carousel of exciting events, we sat down to watch the highly anticipated flat races.

The points have been totalled and the winning house will be presented with the sports day cup, represented by our Year 6 captains, in a whole school assembly. Thank you to all the parents and carers that came out to cheer the children on. Da iawn to our Year 6 pupils who ran the activities for our younger pupils in the morning.

The results of the flat races were as follows:

Year 1 Boys

1st: Albi
2nd: Enzo
3rd: Ephraim

Year 1 Girls

1st Billie
2nd Phoebe
3rd Isla

Year 2 Boys

1st: Jacob Jones
2nd: Ravi
3rd: Elisio

Year 2 Girls

1st Shivani
2nd Treasure
3rd Isla



Year 3 Boys

1st: Kingsley
2nd: Rio
3rd: Rafael

Year 3 Girls

1st Audrey-May
2nd Sophie
3rd Sophia

Year 4 Boys

1st: Daniel
2nd: Ahmed
3rd: Elliot

Year 4 Girls

1st Amelia B
2nd Cassie
3rd Lily-Mai

Year 5 Boys

1st: Leo
2nd: Nico
3rd: Joshua

Year 5 Girls

1st Caitlin
2nd Arayah-Hope
3rd Gabriela



**Wednesday 16th
July**

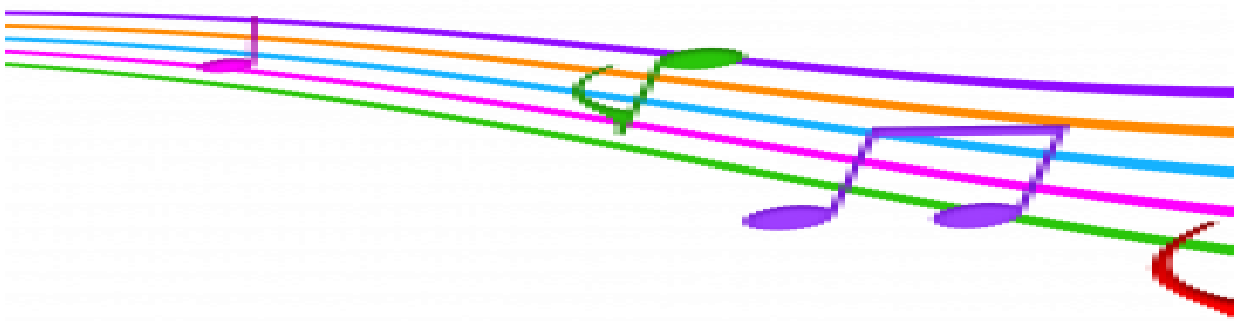
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Summer Fayre

**INFLATABLES ★ ICE-CREAM
GAMES - PENALTY SHOOT OUT**

AND MUCH MORE!

3.30PM - 4.30PM



Following the success of our string concert last week I would like to let you know about Cardiff Music Education Starter Ensemble.

Starters Ensemble is the first stop for pupils wishing to play in an ensemble, catering for all orchestral instruments. The ensemble rehearses for an hour a week during term time at Whitchurch High School.

The sessions include musical warm-ups and games before splitting into instrumental sections to rehearse. Pupils will also have the opportunity to play together as a larger ensemble when they are more familiar with the music.

Pupils will learn music written especially for the ensemble, arranged to suit the pupils' levels of playing. Typically, the ensemble performs 3 concerts a year at various venues.

Each section of players is supported by a specialist member of staff who can advise and support pupils during rehearsals. These tutors are our qualified teaching staff and tutors who have significant experience working with pupils of all ages and standards.

Pupils can join the ensemble from the very beginning of their musical journey, and only need to be able to play the first few notes on their instruments.

<https://www.cfmusiceducation.co.uk/starters-ensemble/>

If you would like your child to learn an instrument, please chat with me or if you have any questions please ask.

Mrs Husband



School Essentials Grant (previously Pupil Development Grant)

The School Essentials Grant is available to help families on a low income, with children who attend a maintained primary or secondary school.

You can use the grant to buy things like:

school uniform,
sports kit,
uniform for enrichment activities, such as community sports
school bags, and
stationery

The grant opens on 1 July 2025 and closes 31 May 2026.

If your child is in primary or secondary school

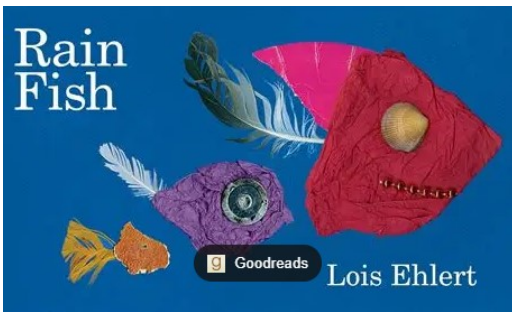
You could get a grant of £200 per child if they are starting year 7.

You could get a grant of £125 per child if they attend primary school or are in years 8, 9, 10, or 11.

Please follow the below link for further information:

<https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Schools-and-learning/Financial-support/School-Essentials-Grant/Pages/default.aspx>

Meithrin



This week in nursery we have been looking at what makes a good friends. We have been reading the rain fish and seeing how he learns to share and make new friends.

We have also been working hard on our number formation and recognition.



Stars of the week: Cienna and Alfie

Cienna has been working really hard on her listening skills this week and learning her numbers.

Alfie has been making new friends and having lots of fun playing with new activities

Derbyn

Sports Day

The children really impressed us with their effort and attitude to sports day. Everyone tried their best and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the event! Da iawn Reception!



Prayer Service

This week Reception taught us about friendship. They shared the parable of 'The Good Samaritan', they thought about how they can be a good friend to others and how we can be more like Jesus in our words and actions. Our mission is to be a good friend to everyone this week.



Stars of the week: Reception Class - All the children for their fantastic effort in sports day and their friendship assembly this week. Da iawn Derbyn!

Blwydynn 1

Bl 1 thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Sport's Day this week. The sun was shining, we had been preparing for weeks, and we were eager to begin! There were a whole host of activities for us to compete in, including javelin, a sack race, the egg and spoon race and a particular favourite, the penalty shoot out!

Both Mrs McFarland and Miss McLaughlin were so proud of the resilience and sportsmanship that was shown from all the Year 1 children. I'm sure our parents were very proud too!



Seren Yr Wythnos: Elis - Elis has worked so hard this week, particularly within his Monster Phonics. He actively engages in focussed tasks and has impressed us with his blending of unfamiliar sounds. Keep up the great work Elis! Bendigedig!

Blwyddyn 2

This week our Year 2 pupils have been learning about warming up techniques for running sessions. We used the Welsh Athletics activities which enable us to run at speed, at different paces and to run within a team event.



Jacob J - "I enjoyed the warm up jogging which helped my leg muscles warm up".

Maddie - "I liked to sprint and then slow down again".

Amina - "I liked being in two teams and sprinting to the bean bags".

Anton - "I loved the single file running where the last person had to sprint to the front".

Elisio - "I liked running at different paces, slow then medium, then fast".

Year 2 also had a blast on the bouncy castle!



Seren yr Wythnos: Fran & Lucas

Fran takes part in all discussions and activities with real enthusiasm. Fran always has a smile on her face and brings a positive attitude to every school day. Da iawn Fran!!

Lucas for being a good friend and joining in the activities with real enthusiasm. Da iawn Lucase.

Blwydynn 3

This week BL3 have been finalising their endangered animals. We used acrylic paint to bring our designs to life!

We had lots of fun creating them and look forward to showcasing them at the summer fair!

In numeracy we have been learning about Mass and capacity. In groups we have started to read scales and identify different units of measure (grams, kilograms).

In literacy we have started to create our newspaper report. We have researched and located information about our chosen endangered animals. Next week, we will be interviewing local people to find out more about our endangered animals using the Hot seat!



Stars of the week: Star of the week in BL3 is George. George has produced an artistic endangered animal using clay and acrylic paint! He took real care with his design including key details. Keep it up! We are so proud of you.

Blwydynn 4

We've had such an exciting time in Year 4 lately, especially during our Health and Wellbeing fortnight! The highlight of the event was undoubtedly the inflatable assault course. Just picture it: bright sunshine, laughter in the air, and everyone tackling the course with enthusiasm!

The children had a fantastic time racing against their classmates, cheering each other on, and even breaking into a bit of dancing as their favourite tunes played in the background. It was wonderful to see them so engaged and enjoying the fresh air while creating marvellous memories together.

Health and wellbeing are so important, and it's heart-warming to see how much fun we can have while promoting these values. A big thank you for your support during this fortnight, and we look forward to more adventures ahead!



Star of the Week: Daniel, Elliot and Lily-Mai

We have chosen three stars of the week this week! Daniel, Elliot, and Lily-Mai have truly shown us what it means to be a pupil at St Bernadette's. Each of them has demonstrated incredible inclusion, resilience, and creativity in every aspect of their work. Whether facing challenges on the sports field, providing insightful answers in their religion lessons, or tackling tricky problems in numeracy, all three have really stepped up to the plate. Their hard work and determination are inspiring, and we couldn't be prouder. Da iawn, all! Keep shining bright, and let's see what you achieve next!

Blwyddyn 5

We have had a wonderful time in Year 5 for our second week of Health and Wellbeing fortnight. On Monday we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves taking part in the inflatable race. Our competitiveness came out in force. Look at those smiles!

On Tuesday morning, we got to demonstrate how responsible we can be where we supported Foundation Phase in their sports day. We took charge of each of the activities, leading the event with positivity and enthusiasm. And then in the afternoon we took part in Key Stage 2 Sports Day. How did we find the energy?

We are now preparing to support Year 6 in their Summer Production, learning and practising the songs.



"I enjoyed helping out Foundation Phase with their sports day because I was a runner, so I got to see every group. I was tired but it was worth it!" Gabriela

"Sports day was really fun because we did so many activities. I'm proud of myself for coming 3rd in the sprint finals because it's never happened before." Joshua

"I really loved the inflatable this week because we rolled down the slide" Sofia

"The inflatable was great fun because we were racing people, that added to the excitement." Owen



Seren yr wythnos is: Joshua. He has shown true sportsmanship throughout the week, encouraging others. He was also a fabulous teacher during foundation phase sports day, displaying great patience and fun for the younger children. Da iawn Joshua!

Blwyddyn 6



Llongyfarchiadau to the children that represented the school last week in a netball tournament at Corpus Christi. Excellent team spirit, coming 3rd place overall!

Bl6 Enterprise for the Summer Fair

We have been creating and designing unique friendship bracelets for sale at the Summer Fair.



On Monday we had great fun in the glorious sun racing on the inflatable. We enjoyed making memories together.

Lilah - "I liked that we all got to have lots of turns and had an amazing time."

Jayden - "I liked that we took turns and everyone enjoyed it, and I enjoyed the music!"



Achievements Outside of School

We were delighted that this member of our class brought in his black belt to tell us about his recent accomplishment in Kick Boxing Gwaith da!

Star of the week: Seren yr Wythnos



Llongyfarchiadau to Kaden for all of his efforts this week. Kaden, you have shown so much enthusiasm during our end of year production rehearsals! Keep up the good work.



Seren Yr Ythnos

Nursery - Cienna & Alfie

Reception – All of Reception

Year 1 – Elis

Year 2 – Fran & Lucas

Year 3 – George

Year 4 – Daniel, Elliot & Lily-Mai

Year 5 – Joshua

Year 6— Kaden





To celebrate our annual Emergency Services Day, Glamorgan Cricket are excited to provide schools in Wales with an exclusive ticket offer to enjoy a thrilling afternoon of t20 cricket at Sophia Gardens!

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 Sophia Gardens, Cardiff

 Sunday 6th July, 2:30pm

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