



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***

***1st May 2026***



Congratulations to

### **St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School**

On achieving the

# **LiveSimplyAward**

**CAFOD A better world needs all of us**

In recognition that you are truly  
**living simply, living sustainably, and living in solidarity  
with the world's poorest communities.**



St Bernadette's is proud to share that we have received the CAFOD LiveSimply Award. This award celebrates the ways we are learning to live simply, sustainably, and in solidarity with communities around the world who are experiencing poverty.

Through a range of faith-inspired activities, our pupils and staff have shown how important it is to care for people and our planet.

Their efforts have made a real difference in school, in our local community, and beyond.

CAFOD's LiveSimply Coordinator for Schools, Siobhan Farnell, said:

*"Congratulations to the pupils and staff on achieving the LiveSimply Award. Their actions are wonderful examples of caring for others and our common home."*



## Meithrin

We have been enjoying the warm sunshine outside in our nursery garden, making the most of the beautiful weather. The children had great fun exploring with water and sand, using their imagination to scoop, pour, and build. There was lots of excitement as they played together on the grass, working cooperatively to create different structures and games. Riding bikes was another highlight, helping to develop their balance and coordination while they confidently navigated around the garden. It was a joyful and active session, full of laughter, creativity, and teamwork.

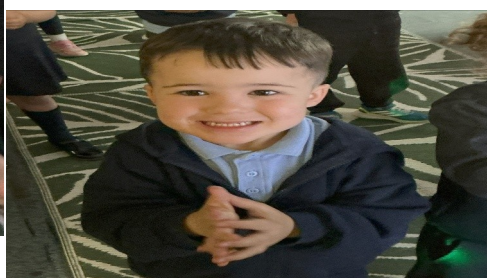
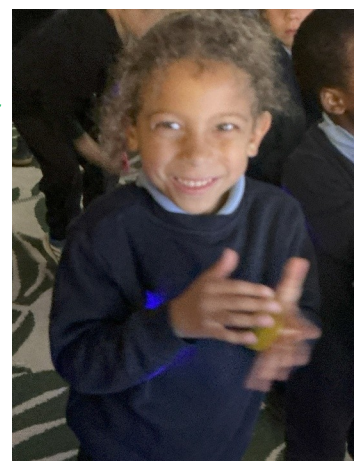


**Seren Yr Wythnos:** Hallie has had a wonderful week at the nursery. She has played really well with all of her friends, showing kindness and a positive attitude throughout. Hallie has approached activities with enthusiasm and confidence, and it has been lovely to see her engaging so happily with others. She has had a fantastic outlook all week, contributing to a warm and friendly atmosphere in the setting.

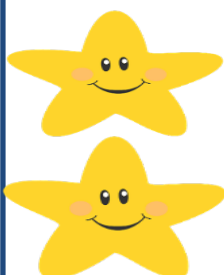
## Derbyn



This week we have been developing our fine motor skills at our Dough Disco! We've been enjoying practicing our dough moves along with enjoying new music. Da iawn Reception!



This week we have been practising our hockey, throwing and balancing skills with our Year 6 Buddies. Diolch yn fawr



**Seren Yr Wythnos:** Betsi and Delilah - are excellent role models!

Betsi - is incredibly helpful in class, helps both adults and children and always tries her best in every area of learning. Bendigedig Betsi!

Delilah - has been working very hard at sounding out new words. Delilah can always be relied on to do her best! Da iawn Delilah!

## Blwyddyn 1

The stringed instruments have arrived to year 1, and what fun we had. We learnt the names of the body parts: belly, back, neck, shoulders, scroll, pegs, tail and button.

The first piece of music we played was called, 'Big Ben'. I was very pleased with everyone's listening skills as we tried to play in time and the right string.

**Maisie, I play the viola. It's a lot of fun.**

**Jacob, I play the cello. It's very big!**

**Elianna, I know the parts of the violin. Everyone agreed it was great fun!**



Inspired by the story, we began designing our very own superhero fruits and vegetables. The classroom has been buzzing with creativity as the children thought carefully about superpowers, colours, textures, and the patterns they wanted for their capes, masks, and costumes. From speedy strawberries to brave broccoli, their imaginations have been incredible.



We also spent time labelling our superhero designs, thinking about the features and materials we might need. This is all in preparation for creating our 3D superhero models later this week, which the children are already very excited about.

We can't wait to see their ideas come to life and share the finished creations with you soon.



***"Mine is Super Lemon! He squirts Lemon juice to stop the bad guys." – Mila***

***"Super Broccoli is big and bushy. He catches the bad guy." – Arthur***

***"Super Strawberry can shoot her pips to trap the villains." – Shania***



**Seren Yr Wythnos:** Arthur: We're so proud to name Arthur as our Star of the Week. His reading and writing have come on brilliantly, and his growing confidence in phonics is wonderful to see. He always shows up with a smile, ready to learn. Keep up the amazing work! Bendigedig Arthur!

## Blwyddyn 2

This week Year 2 have been looking at the life of Betsi Cadwaladr. A famous Welsh nurse from Victorian times. We have also been learning about imperative verbs (bossy verbs) in our literacy lessons.

Betsi was born in Bala, North-West Wales on the May 24 1789 and died July 17th 1860. She was a brave Welsh nurse. She is famous for her work during the Crimean War. She worked alongside [Florence Nightingale](#), another well-known nurse.

After reading Betsi's story, we thought about the kind of 'bossy' verbs that Betsi might have used when she was in the hospital and looking after the wounded soldiers.

Here are some of our thoughts:

We think 'Bossy' Betsi might have said:

*'Mop the floor' – Elis*

*'Change the plasters' – Joseph*

*'Boil the bandages' – Ralph*



*'Make the beds' – Isla*

*'Prepare the dinner' – Joshua*

Year 2 doctor's surgery!



**Seren Yr Wythnos:** Billie. Billie has been working so hard in all areas of school life and has been giving 100%, especially in our maths lessons where we have been learning about finding quarters and third of numbers. Well done Billie!

## Blwyddyn 3

This week in Year 3, we have been exploring the mystery of God as the Trinity. We learned about God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, and thought carefully about how each person of the Trinity can be represented.

To help us understand these ideas, we created some beautiful artwork. We used different symbols to express our learning:

- **God the Father:** cloud, crown, world, light
- **God the Son:** cross, heart, shepherd

**God the Holy Spirit:** dove, flame, wind, water

Take a look at our fabulous artwork and see how we have brought these symbols to life!



**Seren Yr Wythnos:** Star of the week in Year 3 is Jacob Z for his excellent understanding of fractions, finding quarters and thirds of objects and numbers and for his overall presentation of his work.

## Blwyddyn 4

This week in Year 4, we have been enthusiastically putting our Welsh language skills to the test. Using our knowledge of body parts, the children worked collaboratively to create their own doctor patient scripts. In small groups, they performed their conversations, confidently explaining their symptoms in Welsh.



In Science, we have continued our exciting investigation exploring how different liquids affect eggs over time. Over the past few days, the children have carefully observed how each egg reacted, noting the visible changes and discussing their findings.

In RE, we have been learning about Saint Peter and the role of the Pope within the Catholic Church. The children have shown great interest in understanding how Peter became such an important figure in the Church's history and structure.

In Literacy, the children have begun creating detailed character appearance pages. They have been focusing on describing Miss Root, Alfie, Mr Grey, and Alfie's dad using rich and varied vocabulary. Next week, they are excited to explore the mysterious visit of Miss Root in greater depth.



### Seren Yr Wythnos: Elinor



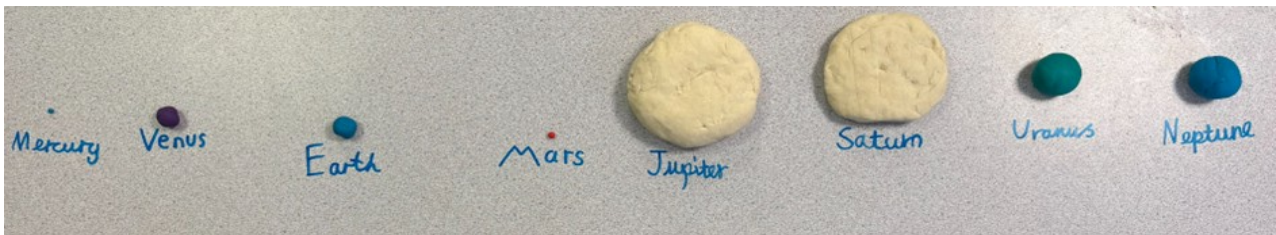
She has demonstrated outstanding confidence and enthusiasm when using the Welsh language. Her speaking skills have truly shone, and she has impressed with her acting and Welsh skills!

## Blwyddyn 5

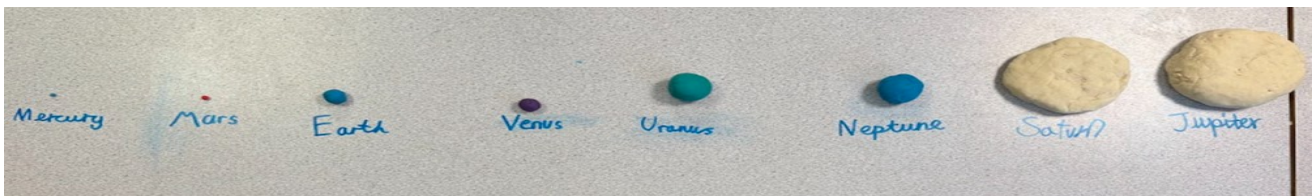
This week in our Science lessons we have been exploring Space and the planets. We have investigated the distance between the planets and the size of the planets using mathematical scales.



We used steps for distance between the planets (see above) and mm and cm for the scale sizing of the planets working with playdough. We ordered them using the mnemonic 'My Very Easy Method Just Speeds Up Naming (Planets)'.



Then we ordered them according to their actual size (see below).



Seren yr Wythnos in blwyddyn 5: Xavier who has given 100% effort in all that he has done this week. From his bus stop division method to his work exploring the signs and symbols of the Holy Spirit through Art, he has shone and we are so proud of his efforts. A friend to all and never without a smile he inspires those around him to follow. Da iawn Xavier!

## Blwyddyn 6

We continued our science investigations this week into air resistance. This week we wanted to find out if the weight of the spinners would change how fast our spinners travelled to the ground.

**Rafferty - 'I found out how to make the spinners, in my group we made sure it was a fair test by dropping the spinners the same way.'**

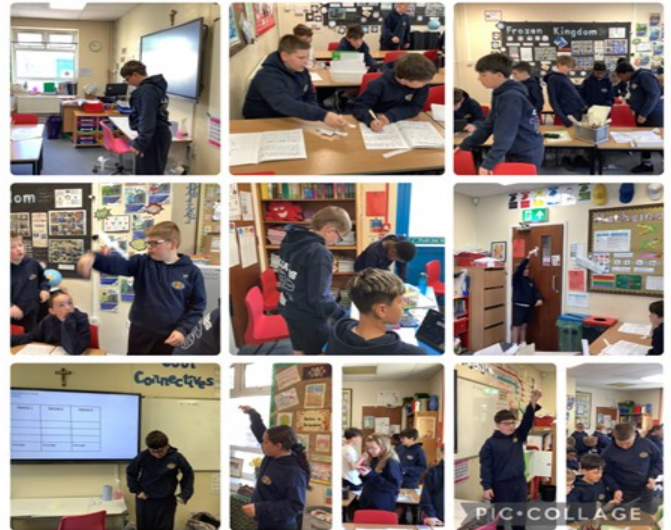
**Arayah - 'We found out that the more paper clips we added to the spinners, the quicker it was dragged down to the ground. The less paper clips made the spinners have greater air resistance.'**

### Blitz Art

On Tuesday we created blitz art collages by painting our background and then added cutout silhouettes of buildings to create our art. We are drawing to the close of our 'Child's War' topic and applying our knowledge in creative ways.

**Spencer - 'I enjoyed cutting out the images as they didn't have to be perfect.'**

**Sofia - 'I liked blending the paints in to make my sunset from dark to light.'**



[Seren yr Wythnos:](#) Llongyfarchiadau to Harry W for all of your learning efforts this week. Harry, you really applied yourself this week to calculate finding the areas of triangles. Keep up all of your efforts Harri, Gwaith da!



# Seren Yr Ythnos

Nursery - Hallie

Reception – Betsi & Delilah

Year 1 – Arthur

Year 2 – Billie

Year 3 – Jacob Z

Year 4 – Elinor

Year 5 – Xavier

Year 6– Harry W

