



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

21st May 2026

We are saying a very special goodbye to Mrs Kearle, who will be retiring from St Bernadette's Primary School at the end of May after an incredible 30+ years with us.

Over the years, Mrs Kearle has helped the school in many ways. She has worked as a Midday Supervisor, Cleaner and Estates Manager, always making sure the school is a happy, safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Mrs Kearle is a much-loved member of the school family. The children, staff, Governors and parents will all miss her friendly smile, kind nature and the care she shows every day.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Kearle for her many years of hard work and loyalty to our school. She has made a real difference to each and every one of us.

We wish her lots of happiness and relaxation in her well-deserved retirement!



Mrs Kearle has asked us to pass on her immense gratitude to everyone. She is overwhelmed by the kind words and gifts she has received. She wants everyone to know that she will miss you all and will always have a place for St Bernadette's in her heart.

From Monday, Mr Ryan O'Keefe is the new Estates manager of St Bernadette's and Mrs Evans and Mrs Bonny will be our school cleaners. We welcome them to the St Bernadette's community.

Please remember that tomorrow is an INSET day so the school will be closed to the children.

We Wish everyone a safe and relaxing Half term and look forward to seeing everybody on Monday 1st June.

Attendance & Punctuality for Summer Term

Class	NAM	NPM	Reception	Year1	Year2	Year3	Year4	Year5	Year 6
Attendance	89.9%	98.5%	92.2%	93.3%	94.8%	95.4%	96.0%	93.2%	94.2%
Late	16	3	20	26	5	13	5	21	22

Summer Fair – Wednesday 1st July, 3.30–4.30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to let you know that our Summer Fair will take place on **Wednesday 1st July from 3.30–4.30pm.**

As part of the event, we will be holding both a **raffle** and a **bottle tombola**, and we are kindly asking for donations to support these stalls.

Raffle prize donations could include **vouchers, toiletries, chocolates, or other small gifts.**

For the bottle tombola, we welcome donations of **bottles of alcohol, soft drinks, shampoo, deodorant**, or any other bottled items. All donations can be sent directly to the **school office.**

Thank you for your continued support — it really helps make the event a success.



Netball News

Last week our school netball team took part in the Catholic Primary Netball Tournament. The team played with competitiveness, determination and respect and I could not have been more proud of them. I cannot wait to see this team progress further and return next year.

A big thank you and well done to our Captain Oliver, who has been a real role model and a great help and support for our year 5's. His Captain's tournament report is below and it sums up the day perfectly.



“We all played very well, especially considering it was the Year 5s’ first games against more experienced Year 6 teams. Everyone showed great determination. Lily-Mae, Dan and Rory were impressive in defence, Cassie didn’t stop and was excellent at centre along with Rose and Esme as outstanding wing attacks, Amelia was just brilliant in the circle and was unlucky not to score more and Marnie thoroughly deserved our player of the tournament for St Bernadette’s as she didn’t let anything past her. The highlight of the day was when Marnie forgot she was playing netball for a brief moment and tried to kick the ball! Well done, St B Netball Team on a fantastic performance! Thank you to all our parents who came to support”

Oliver, Year 6, Captain.



Meithrin

Nursery have enjoyed becoming familiar with Pentecost and have really enjoyed learning all about the Holy Spirit. They have created beautiful Holy Spirit paintings and taken part in a hands-on KETT session. The children have also been learning the *Glory Be prayer* and further developing their retrieval skills.



Seren Yr Wythnos: Emanuel Our Star of the Week is Emanuel! He comes in every day with big hugs and a bright smile, which makes everyone happy. It has been lovely to see how much he is growing and developing right before our eyes.

Emanuel is very sensible, listens carefully, and always tries his best. He is a fantastic friend to others — he shares kindly and especially enjoys playing with cars.

Derbyn

This week, we enjoyed a wonderful and exciting trip to Fun HQ! We made our way through a wide range of obstacles, moving carefully, confidently, and safely as we climbed, crawled, balanced, and navigated each section.

It was fantastic to see everyone working together, encouraging one another, and building their confidence as they tried the different activities. The children showed great teamwork skills, supporting their friends and celebrating each other's achievements along the way. There was lots of laughter, determination, and enthusiasm throughout the trip!..



Overall, we had an amazing time at Fun HQ, and it was a memorable experience for everyone involved!



This week, we held a lovely prayer service where the children were excellent teachers, sharing their ideas about friendship. They confidently told us all about Jesus' special friends, the disciples, and explained how, after Jesus had left them, the disciples continued to share the Good News and live in the way that Jesus had taught them.



We spent time reflecting together on what it means to be a good friend and discussing the qualities that make friendships strong, such as kindness, helping others, listening, and showing care and respect. The children shared some fantastic ideas and examples of how they can be good friends in their everyday lives.



Seren Yr Wythnos:

A huge well done to all of our Reception children, who are our Stars of the Week! They have truly impressed us with their fantastic efforts. They were excellent teachers during our prayer service, confidently sharing their learning about friendship and showing great understanding. Throughout the term, they have worked incredibly hard and have shown a positive attitude towards all their learning.

We were especially proud of their behaviour on our trip, where they demonstrated great determination and a willingness to try new challenges. They supported one another, showed resilience, and approached every activity with enthusiasm. We are so proud of each and every one of them—da iawn!

Blwyddyn 1



Year 1 shone brightly on Monday as they proudly led our school assembly on **Pentecost**. Over the past few weeks, the children have been working incredibly hard to learn their lines, practise their songs, and perfect their **BSL signs**. Their dedication truly paid off.

We began our assembly by thinking about the **real superheroes** in our lives. The children shared the people who

inspire them every day and explained why these heroes are so important. We loved watching their thoughtful reflections come together in a special video.

From there, we turned our attention to the most important hero of all: **Jesus**. The children retold the story of **Pentecost** and the arrival of the Holy Spirit with confidence, clarity, and joy. Their storytelling was expressive and heartfelt, showing just how much they had learned and understood.



To finish, Year 1 set a mission for us all: to think about how we can **spread the gifts of the Holy Spirit** in our daily lives. Whether through kindness, patience, courage, or love, the children reminded us that we can all be superheroes to one another.

We are so proud of Year 1 for their enthusiasm, teamwork, and courage. They led the assembly beautifully and shared an important message with our whole school community.



"I think my family were proud of me because I sang all by myself and they were smiling." – Sophia C

"I liked talking about my Mum." – Nainsie

"I think my singing was really good and I said all my lines really well!" – Isabelle

"I liked being the fire. Fire came on all of their heads!" – Grace

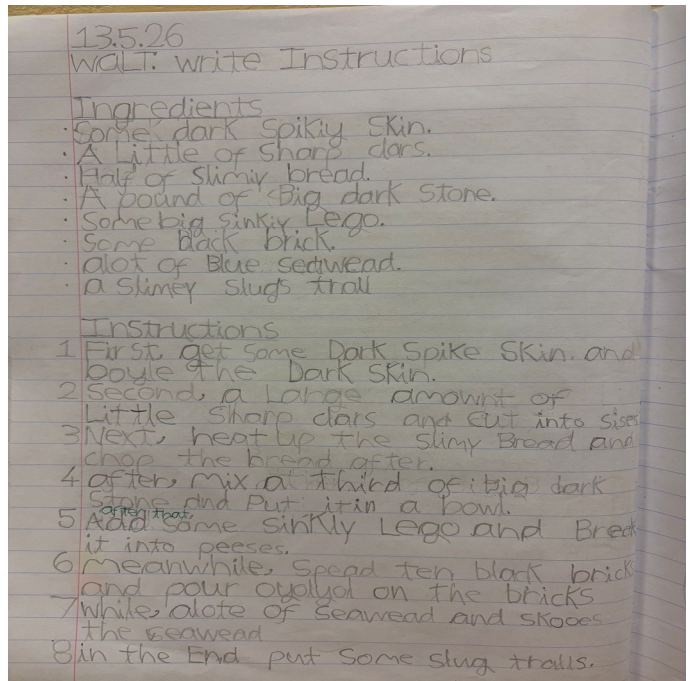


Seren Yr Wythnos: All of Year 1 – All of Year 1 performed beautifully for their class assembly and it is only fitting that they each receive Star of the week. Mrs McFarland and Mrs Bean are so proud of all their

Blwyddyn 2

Year 2 have been busy writing instructions to create a special medicine for the King from the story Zog and the Flying Doctors.

Using their imaginations, the children chose a variety of unusual objects to add to their magical mixtures. In their instructional writing, they worked hard to include time connectives, bossy verbs, and descriptive adjectives to make their recipes clear and exciting for the reader.



Year 2 have been lucky enough to have Mrs Husband teach them the basics of the violin and cello. They have worked incredibly hard this week learning the song On Top of Old Smoky, showing excellent timing and pace during their performance



Seren Yr Wythnos: All of Year 2. The Whole class have worked extremely hard throughout this half term. We are very proud of you all!

Blwyddyn 3

This week in Health and Well-being, we have been focusing on improving fitness levels and learning how exercise affects the body. Through a range of fitness challenges including burpees, squats, sprinting and circuit activities, we have explored how physical activity increases our heart rate and helps keep our bodies healthy. We showed fantastic enthusiasm, resilience and teamwork while encouraging one another to keep going and try their best.



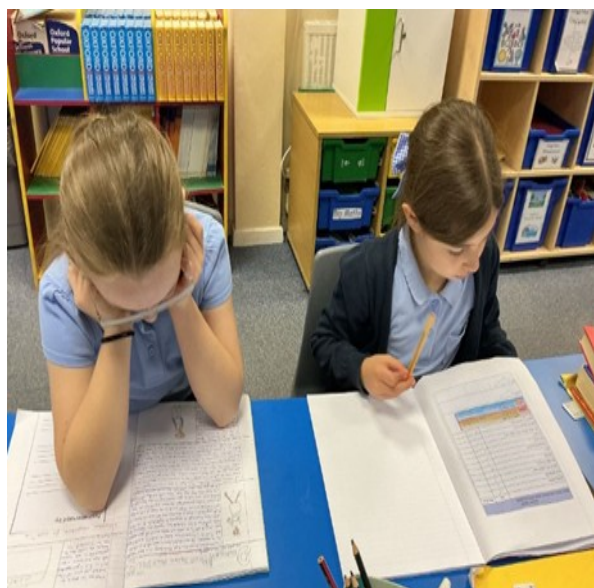
SerenYr Wythnos: Joshua A fantastic member of our class who consistently contributes thoughtful ideas during discussions and shows enthusiasm and engagement in everything he does. He always listens carefully, joins in positively and gives his best effort every day. His positive attitude and willingness to participate make him a wonderful role model for others.

Blwyddyn 4

In English, we focused on evaluating our newspaper reports. Working in small groups, we read one another's reports and shared constructive feedback. We discussed what each person did particularly well and offered ideas for improvement next time. We thoroughly enjoyed sharing our work and learning from one another.

In Maths, we have continued to extend our understanding of decimals. The class has been using a variety of practical resources and visual aids to deepen their understanding. These hands on approaches have helped the children feel more confident when comparing and working with decimal numbers.

In RE, we have been learning about Mary and thinking carefully about gratitude. The children reflected on all the things they are thankful for and expressed this by writing thoughtful letters to Mary, thanking her for the wonderful things she has done. This was a lovely opportunity for reflection and meaningful writing.



Seren Yr Wythnos: Star of the week is George. His reflective and thoughtful letter to Mary highlighted their clear understanding of her importance. Da iawn. We are so proud of you. Keep it up!

Blwyddyn 5

Over the last half term, Blwyddyn 5 have been working hard on many aspects of our physical and mental Health and Wellbeing. We have explored the many ways we can keep ourselves healthy and the things we can avoid to ensure we are not making ourselves unhealthy.

Here is a picture of us completing our Alphabet workout in the playground. We thought of different exercises for each letter of the alphabet then spelt our names or favourite words to complete a workout. We realised we could complete the session indoors and outdoors, and that we could use lots of equipment. Can you challenge yourselves to complete this at home during half term? How about getting your family members involved? What is the longest word you could spell?



Seren yr Wythnos in blwyddyn 5: Seren yr wythnos this week is Lilah who has worked so hard in all lessons. Her Maths work in particular has been noticed, especially her contribution to class discussions where she is agreeing or disagreeing with answers, proving why she thinks they are right or wrong. We are so impressed with her work this week,

Blwyddyn 6



We have been finding out about the end of the Second World War and how it was celebrated across Europe. Pupils carried out independent research and then were given the choice of how to present their findings. We could use Canva, Adobe or Google Slides



Oliver - 'I used Google Slides, I found out that there were street parties.'

Harri - 'I used Adobe and I found out that the V.E Day celebrations went across two days after the war ended.'

Tiago - 'I presented it on Adobe and I found out that the King, Queen and Prime Minister all had 8 visits on the balcony and commended the end of the war.'

Warren - 'I used Google slides and I found that there .



Seren yr Wythnos: Llongyfarchiadau to Pearl for all of her efforts this week. Pearl, you always strive to do your best, setting yourself up for success. As Headgirl you are a role model to your peers and younger pupils, da iawn!



Seren Yr Ythnos

Nursery - Emmanuel

Reception – All of Reception

Year 1 – All of Year 1

Year 2 – All of Year 2

Year 3 – Joshua

Year 4 – George

Year 5 – Lilah

Year 6 – Pearl



Half Term Holiday - 26th to 29th May 2026



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Llanrumney Hub	Closed	Pirate Story, Crafts and Treasure Hunt 11.30am - 1pm	Cardiff Play 3.30 - 5.25pm After Crafters 3.30-5pm	Lego Club 10.30 - 11.30am Story-time 2-2.30pm (0-4yrs)	Colouring Club 11am - 12pm Puzzles and Games 2 - 3pm
Powerhouse Hub	Closed	Colouring Club 10.30 - 11.30am Rhyme - time 2-3pm (0-4yrs)	Lego Club 11am - 12pm Puzzles and Games 2 - 3pm	Pirate Story, Crafts and Treasure Hunt 11.30 - 1pm Cardiff Play 3.30 - 5.25pm	Story-time 10.30 - 11.30am (0-4yrs) After Crafters 3.30 - 5pm
St Mellons Hub	Closed	Rhyme-time 10.30-11am (0-4yrs) Puzzles and Games 2 - 3pm	Colouring Club 11am - 12pm Lego Club 2 - 3pm	Pirate Story, Crafts and Treasure Hunt 1.30 - 3pm	Cardiff Play 11am-12.55pm
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Koolskools Fairtrade Uniform Summer '26 **10% Discounts**

29 May to 8 June 2026; 3 to 12 July 2026



Koolskools have asked us to notify parents that they will be running two summer 2026 10% online discount windows for Fairtrade/ECO uniform – **from Friday 29 May to Monday 8 June inclusive; and from Friday 3 July to Sunday 12 July inclusive.**

Koolskools hope that parents will order well ahead of the anticipated July-August rush!

HOW TO ORDER

Go to the buying page on the Koolskools website on the following link - <https://www.koolskools4u.co.uk/schools-list/> - and place your order. There is a flat delivery charge of £4.99.

Orders take a maximum of 5 working days to turn around (10 working days between June and September) from the date of order placement.

WHY FAIRTRADE COTTON/RECYCLED POLYESTER UNIFORM?

There is no difference in quality between Fairtrade-organic cotton and normal cotton, but Fairtrade cotton farmers always receive a fair and sustainable payment for their crop. Their communities also receive a premium for projects such as building schools, hospitals, access to clean water and so on.

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