



Learn, Live, Believe

*St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School
Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig Santes Bernadette
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others. We learn, grow and celebrate together.*

Weekly Newsletter

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Generous God,

we praise and thank you
for the gifts that you have given
us:

the fruits of the harvest
and the joy of your love.

Free us from the fear that leads
us

to store up more than we need.
Fill our hearts with gratitude
which moves us to share what
we have.

Show us how to plant seeds of
hope

and together reap a better
world,

where each and every person
can share in the fullness of your
love.

Amen.

Catherine Gorman/CAFOD



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Showing we care

Together in Faith

CAFOD Family Fast Day

Tuesday 6th October 2026



A fairer world needs all of us

As part of our support for CAFOD's Family Fast Day, we would like to invite children and families to take part in a simple act of solidarity.

On **Tuesday 6th October**, children will have their usual lunch as normal.

At snack time, we will be providing a simple alternative to our usual snack of fruit or vegetables: **bread or a cracker and water.**

We will share snack time with our buddy classes, with a time of prayer and reflection together.

Families are invited to make a small donation to CAFOD, perhaps equivalent to what they might usually spend on fruit or vegetables for snack time.

This small sacrifice helps us reflect on the experiences of people around the world who do not always have access to the food, clean water and resources that many of us take for granted. Any donations received will be sent to CAFOD to support communities most in need.

Through this simple act, we can live out our school mission and Catholic Social Teaching by showing solidarity with others and recognising that we are all part of God's global family.



A simple snack for a brighter tomorrow



People, planet, a fairer world

Our School Mission

We are a Christ centred community, reaching out to others.
We learn, grow and celebrate together.
We bring our faith to life.



CAFOD
Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

PEOPLE | PLANET | A FAIRER WORLD

Class	NAM	NPM	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Attend- ance	85.5%	100%	95.5%	95.4%	100%	98.8%	97%	94.8%	94.4%
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This week, we have been exploring the wonderful artwork of Eric Carle!

As part of our Expressive Arts learning, the children have been experimenting with bright colours, textures and a variety of materials, using techniques inspired by Eric Carle's artwork. They have been busy creating their very own colourful ducks, inspired by his much-loved illustrations.

Through this activity, the children have been developing both their fine motor and gross motor skills as they painted, cut, stuck, moved materials and used different tools. It has been wonderful to see them exploring creatively, making their own choices and taking pride in their finished artwork.

We are so proud of our little artists and the creativity they have shown this week!



Stars of the week: We are delighted to celebrate Vivia as our Star of the Week! Since returning to nursery, she has shown her usual enthusiasm, confidence and eagerness to learn. Vivia is making lovely progress with sitting and listening during story time, sharing and taking turns with her friends. She has excellent fine and gross motor skills and confidently joins in with a wide range of activities, showing growing independence and concentration. Vivia is also a kind, caring and wonderful friend who enjoys playing and learning alongside others. We are so proud of her progress!

Derbyn

This week, Reception were left some very unusual clues. Mummy Owl had left us a picture of a woodland and a picture of a dessert. We worked together to solve the mystery and used the clues to work out that Mummy Owl wanted us to make a special dessert using fruit that we could see in the picture.

We talked about different desserts and discovered that many of us had never tried fruit crumble or custard before. We decided to make our own fruit crumble and carefully peeled, chopped and prepared the fruit for our recipe. We worked safely, took turns and helped one another as we created our delicious dessert.

When the crumble was ready, everyone had the opportunity to taste it. Lots of children were excited to try the crumble, and it was lovely to see so many children enjoying a new food for the very first time.



Stars of the week: Alfie & Thanwamgi

Alfie - He has really impressed us with his attitude to learning. He has come into the classroom with a big smile on his face this week. We are so proud of you Alfie!

Thanwamgi - has really impressed us with how she had settled into Reception. Da iawn

Blwydynn 1

This week in Year 1, we have been learning about how we can care for **God's wonderful world**. We thought carefully about the important messages from **Sofia the Sloth**, who has taught us about looking after animals, creating homes for insects and wildlife, and helping to protect our environment. We discovered that by caring for God's creation, we can all become **helpers of the world**.



We were very busy putting our learning into action! The children worked hard to **weed garden areas, pick up litter, and plant daffodil bulbs** ready for a beautiful display in the spring. We also planted lots of **evergreen plants** to make our prayer garden more welcoming and peaceful.

The children showed great teamwork and enthusiasm as they worked together to improve our outdoor spaces. We are proud to be helping wildlife and caring for our school environment. Our prayer garden is becoming a calm and inviting place where we can spend time reflecting, praying, and appreciating God's creation.



Well done, Year 1, for being such wonderful caretakers of our world!



Seren Yr Wythnos: Samantha has been a superstar this week. Her enthusiasm and engagement during our music time has been infectious! She sings with such joy. She always tries her best in her work and is not afraid to challenge herself. Bendigedig Samantha.

Blwyddyn 2

For our RE Branch 'Creation and Covenant', Year 2 have been enjoying learning about the Bible and why it is such a special book for Christians. We have explored the two main parts of the Bible, the Old Testament and the New Testament, and discovered how they help us to learn about God, Jesus, and the message of faith and love.

As part of our learning, we discussed why the Bible is important to Christians and how it guides people in their daily lives. We have also thought about ways we can show reverence and respect for the Bible, such as handling it carefully, listening attentively when it is being read, and reflecting quietly on God's Word.



The children enjoyed sharing and discussing some of their favourite Bible stories from both the Old and New Testaments. Some of the stories that inspired us included Noah's Ark, David and Goliath, The Creation Story, The Good Samaritan, Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand, and The Nativity. Through these stories, we have been learning important values such as kindness, courage, forgiveness, and trust in God.

We are very proud of the thoughtful discussions the children have had and the respect they have shown throughout our RE lessons. It has been wonderful to see them growing in their understanding of faith and developing a deeper appreciation of the Bible and its importance in our Catholic school community.

Seren yr Wythnos: Congratulations to **Shania**, our *Seren yr Wythnos* this week.

Shania has a wonderful attitude towards her learning and is a valued member of our Year 2 class.



She approaches every lesson with enthusiasm, always striving to do her very best and giving 100% effort in all that she does. Shania enjoys all aspects of school life and sets an excellent example through her positive attitude, determination and commitment to learning.

We are very proud of you, Shania. Keep up the fantastic work!

Blwyddyn 3

This week, we have been busy representing numbers up to 100. We have been using our place value knowledge to partition numbers and develop our understanding of ones and tens. We worked collaboratively in groups, using number cards to challenge one another and test our knowledge of 2- and 3-digit numbers. We have really enjoyed working together and explaining our mathematical thinking!

We have started to explore different landscapes and discussed how weather can have an impact on them. As a class, we looked carefully at pictures of a variety of landscapes and identified their features. We then discussed how different types of weather could change or affect these environments.

In English this week, we have been learning about time connectives. We created our own sentences using words and phrases to show the order in which events happen. We also

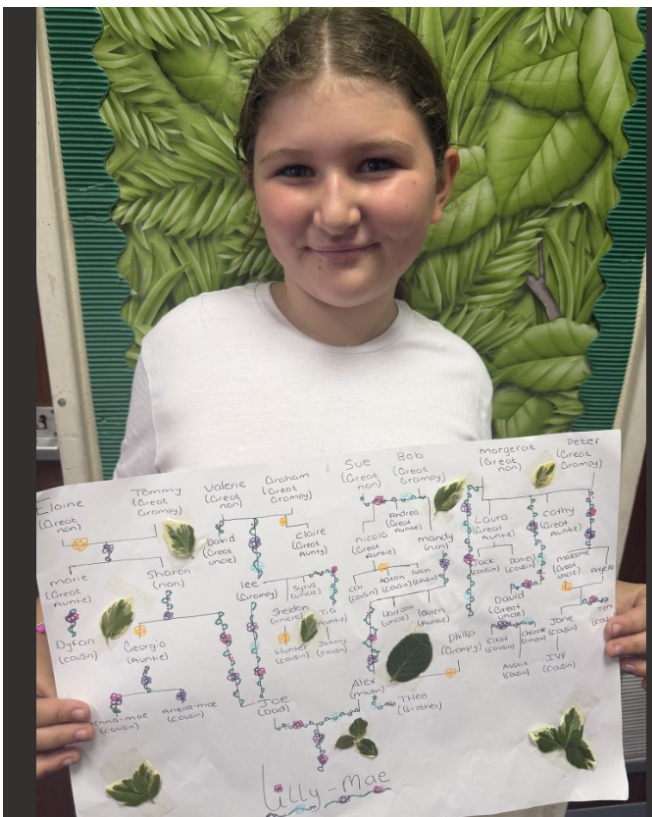
worked together to put pictures into chronological order, explaining what happened first, next and finally.



Stars of the week: **Joseph!** Joseph has worked extremely hard to become a more independent learner. He has shown great resilience when trying new calculations. This is a fantastic quality to have, and we are very proud of the effort he has shown this week.

Blwydynn 4

In our new RE branch, we have been exploring the history of Jesus' family tree and comparing it to our own unique family backgrounds. We have a specific focus on Abraham, and we have been discovering how important he is as our Father in Faith, whom God promised would bless all nations. By looking closely at Abraham's journey of faith, we reflected on our own faith.



We created thank you prayers for our own families and shared stories about our relatives, helping us to understand and appreciate how every family has a unique and meaningful story.



Star of the Week: Star of the Week goes to Aria who always shows an outstanding attitude towards her learning. She always has a high standard of presentation, taking pride in her work in every lesson, always setting a wonderful example for the whole class. Keep up the fantastic work.

Blwyddyn 5

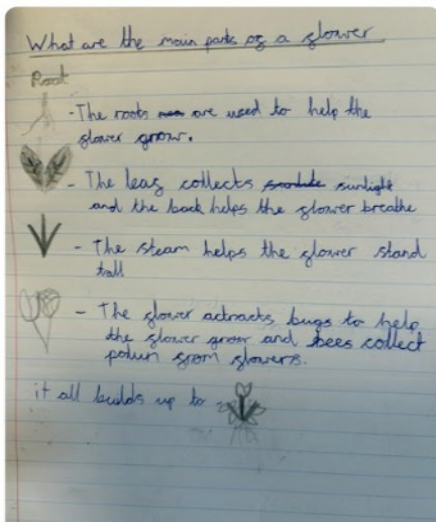
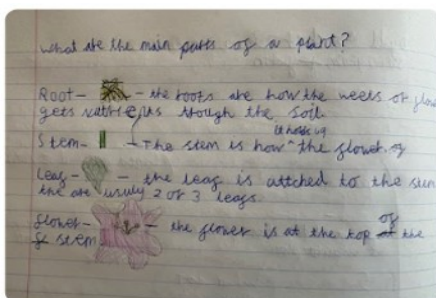


This week we have started our topic Sow, Grow, Farm by working together to complete a KWDL task, sharing what we want to learn about and how we want to learn it.

We jumped straight into investigating the different parts of a plant. Firstly we picked a range of plants, flowers and weeds. Next we laid out the different parts of the plants to identify them. We then labelled them in our books adding pictures and diagrams to help us.

Next we want to learn how a tiny seed grows into plants like flowers, weeds and massive trees

We also learnt about the 7 life processes that all living things share using the acronym MRS GREN: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion and Nutrition.



Star of the week: Seren yr Wythnos in Blwyddyn 5 is Florrie who has had a fantastic start to the year. This week it has been wonderful to see her gain confidence in all areas of school life, showing independence and leadership skills to be proud of.

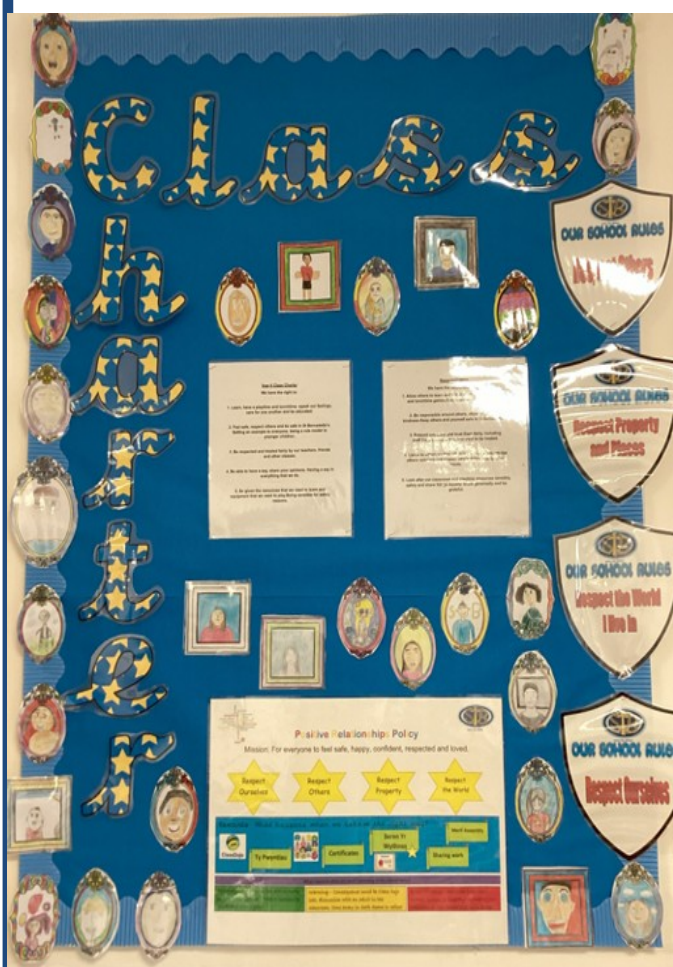
Blwyddyn 6

Last Friday the pupils were invited to come to school dressed in clothes that represented their 'Cynefin', what makes them feel that they belong. It was wonderful to celebrate so many diverse clubs, nationalities, cultures and hobbies.



Our Class Charter

During our Jigsaw wellbeing lessons we have devised our own class charter. We have used our school rules based on respect to create our classroom rules with rights and responsibilities that we all agreed on.



Achievements Outside of School

Da iawn to this member of our class who achieved her Level 1 in horse riding over the weekend. Thank you for sharing your news with us.



Seren yr Wythnos in blwyddyn 6: Llongyfarchiadau to Xavier Egan this week! Xavier, you have been a true role model to the Reception buddies and helped a new member of our class feel welcome. Diolch for your patience and kindness, keep up the good work!



Seren Yr Ythnos

Nursery - Vivia

Reception – Alfie & Thanwamgi

Year 1 – Samantha

Year 2 – Shania

Year 3 – Joseph

Year 4 – Aria

Year 5 – Florrie

Year 6— Xavier

