



Ysgol Gynradd Gatholig St Anthony  
St Anthony's Catholic Primary School  
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Newsletter - Summer Term - July 6<sup>th</sup> 2023



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**ATTEND AND ACHIEVE! - Whole school attendance for this week is:90.9%**

Please remember to phone school when your child is off to let us know or it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. **Our school target is 96%.**



### **MOVING UP DAY**

This morning the children had the opportunity to meet their teachers for next school year. We all feel this is a good idea as it can help the children to get used to new surroundings and people thus helping to alleviate any worries.

Mrs Drew had fun with parachute activities outside with her new class. Please ask your child what they can remember.



### **STAFFING**

As mentioned in previous newsletter Mrs Durcan is leaving after many years outstanding service to St Anthony's.

Mr Davies joined us in September 2016 and has gained promotion to become assistant head at Ysgol Trefnant in Denbighshire.

If you wish to contribute towards a leaving gift for either of these hardworking members of staff, then please send in your gift in a clearly labelled envelop to the school office or hand to Mr Morgan at the gate in the mornings.

**SCHOOL REPORTS** - Will be sent out to parents next Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**DANGERPOINT-** Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Mr Davies and Mrs Drews classes will be going to DangerPoint, a lifeskills activity center in Talacre. Our pupils have visited Dangerpoint on many occasions and had a really great day. The cost is £3.00 and can be made via school gateway or you can send cash in to school (clearly marked with your child's name) should you prefer. Pupils will need a packed lunch for the day - Please remember when completing your forms to indicate if you wish to order a school picnic bag.

**YEAR 6 BOWLING** - Letters have been sent out. Please return forms as soon as possible. Thank you.



**Hedge watch** - We are very aware that the hedge that runs along the front of the school is overgrown. School have contacted Streetscene who have responded to inform us that the area Co-Ordinator will arrange a visit as soon as possible. Should you wish to contact them, their details are as follows; Street Scene - 01352 701234 streetscene@flintshire.gov.uk

**ENTREPRENEURSHIP** - Mr Davies class were able to raise £100.15 with their entrepreneurship afternoon on Friday last week. Da iawn pawb!

## **REMINDERS**

- **SWIMMING** - has now finished for this school year. Please check school gateway for any outstanding balances - Thank you.
- **Tomorrow, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July is a training day.** School will be closed for the children. Staff will be receiving training from Rainbows.
- **YEAR 6 LEAVERS MASS** - Will be Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July held at 10am in St Anthony's church. Parents/guardians and family members welcome.

## **CAN YOU SPARE SOME TIME TO HELP?**

Over the past few weeks we have had a disability path, paved area and new access made to our outside area. We have also had a new shelter fitted. During these weeks we have not been able to access the outdoor area due to workmen heavy machinery and scaffolding. This has resulted in the area becoming overgrown and untidy, especially in Sue's garden - the memorial garden we have in remembrance of our long serving ex-governor Sue Franklin.

We are going to have a tidy up on Monday July 10<sup>th</sup> from 3.30 to 5.30 and would really appreciate the help and support of parents, friends, grandparents etc. Please contact Mr Morgan if you are available to help.

As we are nearing the end of the school year, I would like to share some of the exciting activities that will be taking place in the next school year.



Mrs. Mulgrew will be training for level 3 certificate in leading Forest Schools. Forest school is an outdoor education delivery model in which students visit natural spaces to learn personal, social and technical skills.

<https://forestschoollassociation.org/what-is-forest-school/>

There will be lots of new clubs throughout the school year including football, rounders and art. These will be separate to afterschool club and we will send out more information in September. We will also be having a school disco in September.



As stated in last weeks newsletter Miss Crocombe will be working throughout the school, primarily in a wellbeing and nurture capacity. We would like to let you know more about the roles.

**RILL Programme** is a literacy and language intervention that is delivered in small groups, lessons and activities to help develop reading and spelling skills.

**Friends resilience** - Friends for life (Junior's) and Fun friends (Foundation Phase) are



programmes that are delivered to all children in school during the school academic year. They are both age appropriate programmes designed to build lifelong resilience by working on social and emotional skills. Please click the link for more information;

<https://friendsresilience.org/about>

**Elsa support** - We have always offered emotional literacy support. And from September Miss Crocombe will be a fully trained ELSA. (Emotional literacy support assistant) ELSA's are teaching assistants who have special training from the education Psychologists to support the emotional development of children in school. They help children and young people to learn to understand their emotions and respect the feelings of those around them, this could be working in small groups or one to one sessions.

As a school we feel strongly that when a child is supported socially and emotionally they will feel settled and safe enough to concentrate and learn as well as they can.

Week 3 Menu				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatballs and pasta or veggie meatball and pasta both in tomato sauce with garlic bread and peas.	Ham and cheese calzone pocket or cheese and tomato calzone pocket both with wedges and peas.	Roast Dinner or veggie roast dinner.	Big Breakfast- Bacon, Omelette and beans or veggie big breakfast- veggie sausage omelette and beans.	Chicken burger in a bun or baked cod goujons both served with chips and veg sticks.
Yoghurt and fresh fruit.	Baked biscuit and fresh fruit.	Fruit flap jack and fresh fruit.	Yoghurt and fresh fruit.	Cocoa Krispie cake and fresh fruit.
**Fruit and water made available daily.**				
A choice of sandwiches, pasta pots and Jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings are also available daily.				

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please follow the link for more information.  
<https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Council-Tax-and-Benefits-and-Grants/Free-School-Meals-and-Uniform-Grants.aspx>

### **HAVE YOUR SAY! Marriage and Family Life Commission Survey**

The Marriage and Family Life Commission are in the process of planning their next diocesan events, courses and activities; many of which are FREE for families to attend. However, *we need your help!* In order for us to meet the current needs of our families and to be effective in our work, we would be very grateful if **all parents and carers of 0-25 year olds** could take a few minutes to complete our short survey to find out how we can best serve our local families going forward. The survey is anonymous and can be accessed via <https://forms.gle/Ug7ikfSNYQf4XLBa7> or from our Facebook Page at 'Marriage and Family Life, Diocese of Wrexham' at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100087071533098>.

**Please submit your response by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023.**

For any questions about the survey, or if you would like to give further feedback, please contact Jeanie Larkin at [mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk](mailto:mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk), or telephone 07542 268728.