



ARCHDEACON JOHN LEWIS NEWSLETTER

'Strength through knowledge and faith.'

Friday 30th January 2026

Attendance: 93%

We continue to develop our Welsh oracy skills across the school. The pupils enjoyed learning about the story of St Dwynwen, supported by creative craft activities, and Nursery and Reception practised saying "I love..." using the phrase "**Dwi'n caru...**" ❤️

A big thank you to the PTA for generously funding some new Welsh books for our library – these will be a fantastic resource for all pupils. Diolch also to the **Criw Cymraeg** for raising money to buy Welsh mascots for every class, helping to promote the Welsh language throughout the school.

Congratulations to our Year 2 pupils who were presented with their **Kerbcraft certificates** by Bridget the Bee 🐝 – a wonderful achievement.

Our Year 5/6 pupils took part in a live Adobe Creative lesson linked to **Holocaust Remembrance Day**, giving them the opportunity to reflect thoughtfully while developing their digital creativity.

We have also been speaking to children about the importance of using **appropriate language in the playground, following an incident where inappropriate language was witnessed by a member of the community**. These discussions help reinforce our school values of respect and kindness. We kindly ask parents and carers to **support these messages at home** by talking to children about the language they use and the impact words can have on others.

Thank you also to the members of the church, Governors and parents who joined us for **Eucharist** this morning, it was a beautiful service!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs L Forster
Acting Headteacher



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Upcoming Events

- **Friday 6th February:** PTA Movie Matinee of 'Elio', Y2-Y6 £3.50 (tickets on the gateway app)
- **Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February:** Half Term
- **Monday 23rd February:** INSET Day 4 of 6
- **Tuesday 24th February:** Y5 and Y6 trip to ABMG for 'Matilda Jr'
- **Wednesday 25th February:** Y2 and Y5 visit from the Fire Service
- **Friday 27th February:** Eisteddfod (PM only)
- **Monday 2nd March - Friday 6th March:** Communion Prep with Rev. Mark at 1pm (Y5-Y6)
- **Friday 6th March:** E-steddfod - watch live on e-sgol's Facebook page!
- **Wednesday 4th March & Thursday 5th March:** Parents Evenings
- **Friday 13th March:** First Communion Eucharist - all welcome at 9:15am
- **Wednesday 25th March:** Easter Bonnet Service (SRCM/RH/EB) 9:15am
- **Thursday 26th March:** Easter Service in Coity Church (Y1 - Y6) - all welcome at 10am
- **Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April:** Easter Holidays
- **Monday 20th April - Friday 1st May:** Swimming Lessons (Y4 - Y6)
- **Monday 4th May:** Bank Holiday
- **Friday 8th May:** Eucharist - all welcome!
- **Friday 15th May:** Messy Church (Mrs Richards/Mrs Morgan's class)
- **Friday 22nd May:** INSET Day 5 of 6
- **Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May:** Half Term



Don't forget to submit your vote in the Parent Governor Ballot by 10am on Monday 9th February.

Please Keep Us Updated!

Please ensure that your details are kept up to date with the school office. It is essential that we hold up to date address details, phone numbers and email addresses for all parents/carers and emergency contacts.

Any updates to personal information can be submitted on the Gateway app or by email to admin@archdeaconjohnlewisps.bridgend.cymru



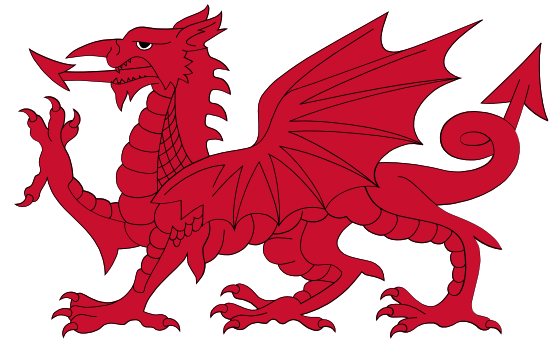
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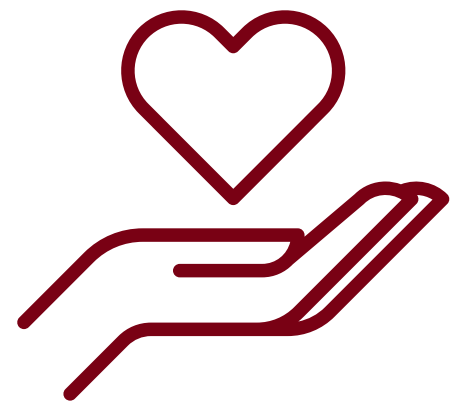
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Star of the Week



Values Certificate



'Curious & Active'

Kerbcraft



Well done to our Year 2 pupils who have completed their 12 week Kerbcraft course.

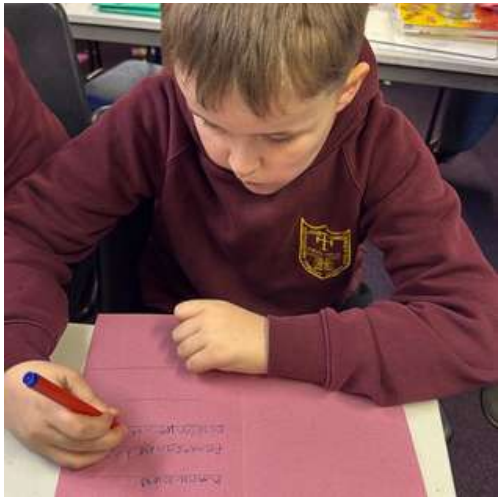
They were all presented with their certificates by our very special visitor, Bridget the Bee!

Kerbcraft is a UK-based, practical road safety program for 5-7 year olds, teaching essential pedestrian skills like choosing safe crossing spots, crossing near parked cars, and near junctions, using real-life roadside training by trained volunteers to reduce child pedestrian accidents.

We hope that the children have found the training useful and will continue to remember what they have learnt when they're out and about.

Da iawn pawb!





Dydd Santes Dwynwen Hapus!





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Practice!





£3.50

YEAR 2 - YEAR 6

PTA MATINEE

FRI 6TH FEBRUARY, 3.20PM-5.30PM

**TICKET INCLUDES: POPCORN, DRINK AND A HOT DOG
PLEASE BOOK ON THE GATEWAY APP!**



FOOTBALL CAMPS

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

LOCATION: BRIDGEND

Brackla: Archdeacon John Lewis School
8:30am-4:30pm



Monday - Thursday
16th - 19th of February

**EARLY BOOKING
DISCOUNT**

£18 per day

if booked before February 1st

£21 Per day If booked after 01/02/26

 Sibling Discount Available

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

FUN, SKILLS, GAMES & DEVELOPMENT



Boys & Girls
aged: 5-11 years
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME