

ARCHDEACON JOHN LEWIS NEWSLETTER

‘Strength through knowledge and faith.’

Friday 13th March 2026

Attendance: 92%

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderfully busy and uplifting week in school, filled with memorable experiences for our pupils.

Our curriculum has been buzzing with excitement too for Science Week. Pupils in Years 3 to 6 enjoyed a live science lesson exploring the Solar System, sparking plenty of curiosity and big questions about the world beyond our own. Meanwhile, our Year 1 and 2 children took part in a live farming lesson, giving them a fascinating insight into where our food comes from and the importance of agriculture.

Mrs Bowen’s class also benefited from Chi Education’s well-being and active sessions, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

We ended the week with our Eucharist celebration and First Holy Communion. We are incredibly proud of all the children who took part—both those receiving communion for the first time and those who supported the service as servers. A heartfelt thank you to Rev. Lisa, the parents and Governors who joined us; your presence made the occasion even more special.

A gentle reminder to all parents to regularly check the School Gateway app for important updates and information. This remains our main communication platform, and staying up to date ensures you don’t miss key messages. Please remember to contact the school office to update your details (phone number, email, home address etc) if there have been changes.

Looking ahead, the PTA Movie Night will take place on Friday 20th March for pupils in Years 1–6. The film shown will be ‘Hop’, and it promises to be a fun evening for the children. Please note that tickets must be purchased via the School Gateway app by Wednesday 18th March.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is a joy to see our pupils thriving and embracing every opportunity.

Mr Street

Acting Executive Headteacher

Keep in Touch:

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Safeguarding and Child Protection information can be found here: <https://www.ajlprimary.co.uk/whos-who/safeguarding-and-child-protection>

Upcoming Events

- **Friday 20th March:** PTA Matinee, Year 1 - Year 6. 3:30pm-5:20pm. Tickets on Gateway!
- **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
- **Wednesday 6th May:** Class Photos and Y6 Leavers Portrait Photos
- **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
- **Sunday 14th June - Wednesday 17th June:** PGL Residential Trip
- **Friday 19th June:** Messy Church (Miss Evans-Jones' class)
- **Tuesday 30th June:** Y6 Transition Day at ABMG
- **Wednesday 8th July:** Y6 Leavers service at Llandaff Cathedral (pupils and staff only)
- **Monday 20th July:** INSET Day 6 of 6
- **Tuesday 21st July - Monday 30th August:** Summer Holidays

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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Da iawn to these students for achieving their certificate of completion for their first communion preparation course. Thank you to Rev. Lisa for giving up her time over the last few weeks.



EASTER FOOTBALL CAMPS!

PJSS DEVELOPMENT

WEEK 1
30TH MARCH - 2ND APRIL

WEEK 2
7TH APRIL - 9TH APRIL

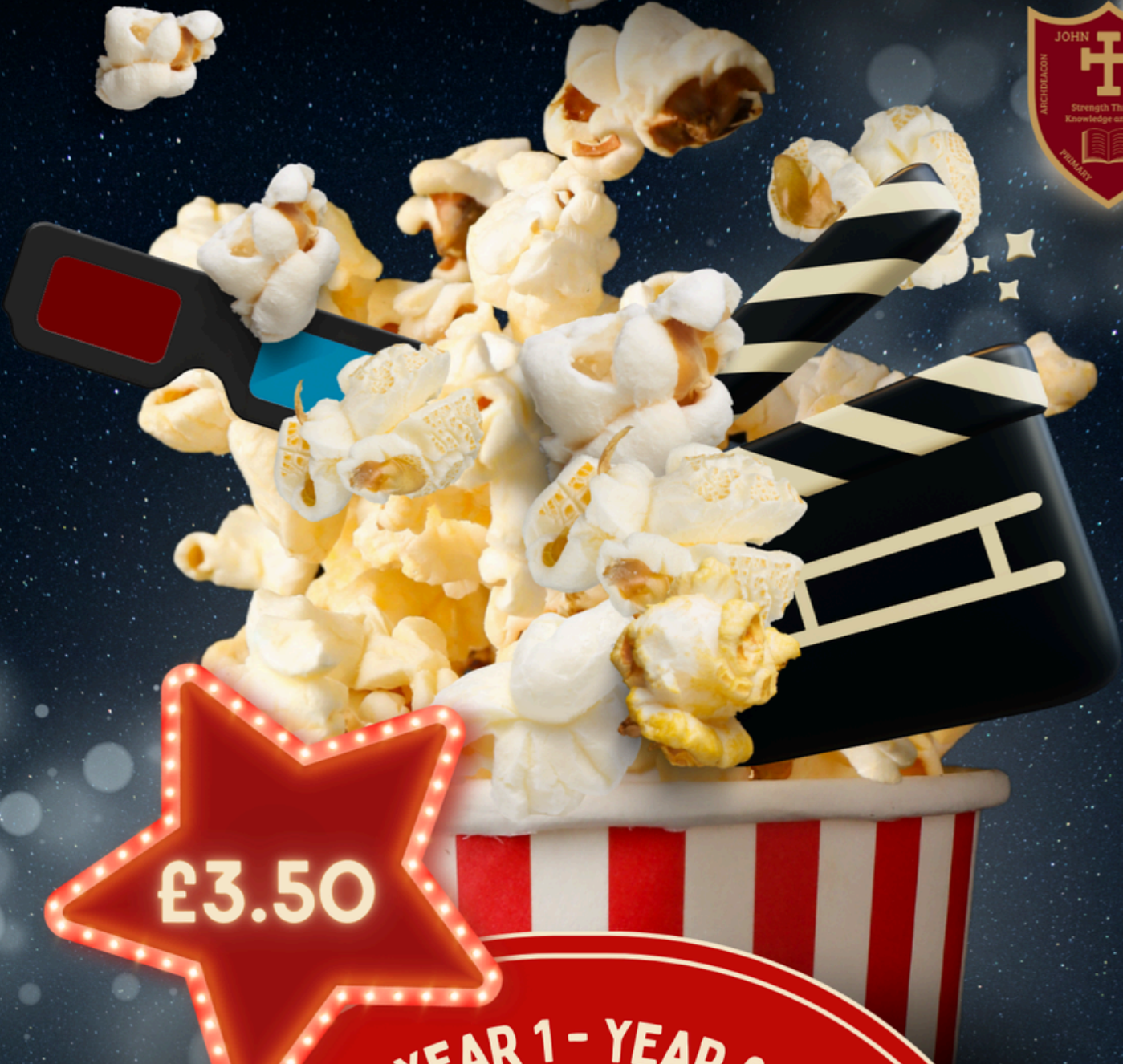
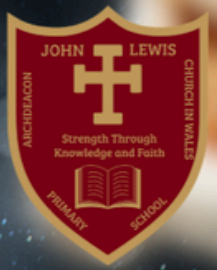
Archdeacon John Lewis,
Bridgend
8:30am - 4:30pm

Early Booking Discount:
£19 UNTIL 15/03/2026

£23 PER DAY AFTER EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT ENDS

SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE!

The advertisement features a soccer ball hitting a goal net, a soccer field with players, and a group of children huddled together. The background is dark with green and red accents.



£3.50

YEAR 1 - YEAR 6

PTA MATINEE

FRI 20TH MARCH 3.20PM-5.30PM

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



Palm Sunday 2026

You're invited.

29th March, 10am
St Mary's, Nolton
Kids activities, Palm
Procession, and more.

www.penybont-churches.org.uk

You're Invited...

**PENYBONT —
— CHURCHES**

**Every Friday in term time
1:30pm - 3:00pm**

**Join us for informal play,
crafts, chat, & refreshments.**

Nolton Hall,
Merthyrmaur Road North,
CF31 3NH
(Next to St. Mary's Church)

A welcoming, faith-rooted
space for parents, carers and
little ones from new born to
school age.

Join for as much or as little as
you would like!



Any questions? Contact us at...
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