

Friday 28th February 2020

Reminders

- It is Welsh Week/Wythnos Gymreig next week. Please take a look at pages 3 & 4 for details.
- The Mini Vinnies Club is run by Mrs Arnopp-Rees and Mrs McGuinness every other Wednesday - it is on this week on the 4th March. Please do make the effort to attend, it is a wonderful opportunity for our children.
- World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and our theme is magic!

Parents' evening

The Spring Term parents' evenings will be held during the week beginning the 9th March. KS2 parents' evenings will be held on Tuesday 10th March, that includes Dosbarth Ramsey, Dosbarth Skomer and Dosbarth Caldey. The foundation phase parents' evenings for Dosbarth Dolffin and Dosbarth Seren y Môr will be held on Wednesday 11th March 2020. Please make an appointment with your child's class teacher or Mrs Thomas in the office.

Corona Virus – Covid19 update

Please see the attached link for up-to-date information about the spread of the Corona Virus. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others at stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If a staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call NHS Direct Wales on 0845 4647 or NHS 111 if available in the area, for advice. Follow the Welsh Government advice for childcare or educational settings: www.gov.wales/guidance-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit <https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/> to find out more information about coronavirus.

Clubs

Clubs start again next week, please find the updated clubs timetable on the link below:

<https://www.stfranciscatholicschool.co.uk/extra-curricular-activities>

Due to the large numbers of children that attended certain clubs please ensure you put your child's name down for each club that they would like to attend.

Dosbarth Ramsey were the winners of the attendance shield again this week.

attendance
MATTERS

Attendance

Dosbarth Seren y Môr	82.95%
Dosbarth Dolffin	94.65%
Dosbarth Caldey	94.67%
Dosbarth Skomer	92.59%
Dosbarth Ramsey	95.37%
Whole School Total	92.11%



Parish Links

Our next whole school Mass will be celebrated on the 12th March where Dosbarth Skomer will be taking the lead.

Thank you to the year three and four parents that responded saying that they would like their child to make their First Holy Communion this year. We will be in touch about the first meeting very soon.

Friends

The Friends of St Francis will be holding a meeting soon to decide upon dates for future events throughout the year.

Parking

Parking in the disabled bays are reserved for Blue Badge holders only. Please respect the rights of those who need the spaces.

Home/School link

The homework diaries are the main home-school link. Important dates and messages are shared. All pupils in Caldey, Skomer and Ramsey were given a diary at the start of the year, it is important that they are brought in to be signed on a weekly basis.



Y Cyngor Cymraeg

All the information about Wythnos Gymreig is on the following pages. Thank you to everyone who brought in their Eisteddfod art entries and spent the half-term learning their poems. Our school Eisteddfod will take place on Friday morning.

Following the fantastic opportunity to go to the Queens Hall in Narberth to attend a Welsh language music gig, our pupils have created a vlog about the event to share as part of a competition:

<https://www.j2e.com/st-francis-catholic-primary-school1/NicholaT/Vlog+Sant+Ffransis/>

Merit Certificates

Dosbarth Seren y Môr	Ava Rees "Fantastic reading!"
Dosbarth Dolffin	Orla Davenport "Her positive attitude towards learning"
Dosbarth Caldey	Ellison McLuckie "Fantastic focus on learning tasks"
Dosbarth Skomer	Cian Hann "A great effort practising his poem and song for the eisteddfod"
Dosbarth Ramsey	Dawid Dominik "Being an excellent role model to others by learning his eisteddfod poem"

The school Twitter handle is:

[@St_FrancisPembs](https://twitter.com/St_FrancisPembs)

To find out what's happening in each class please follow:

[@DosbarthSerenYM](https://twitter.com/DosbarthSerenYM)

[@DosbarthDolffin](https://twitter.com/DosbarthDolffin)

[@DosbarthCaldey](https://twitter.com/DosbarthCaldey)

[@DosbarthSkomer](https://twitter.com/DosbarthSkomer)

[@Dosbarth_Ramsey](https://twitter.com/Dosbarth_Ramsey)

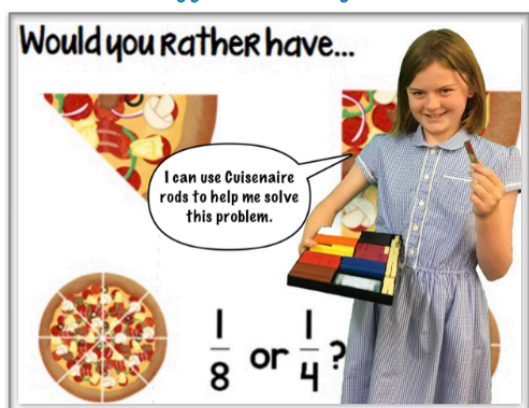
The Friends' Twitter handle is:

[@friendsofstfran](https://twitter.com/friendsofstfran)



Dosbarth Ramsey have been exploring what it means to be 'Enterprising, Creative Contributors'. They decided upon and created the images to match the statements. To find out up to date information about the new curriculum for Wales please find information on our website.

I solve lots of different problems in lots of different ways.



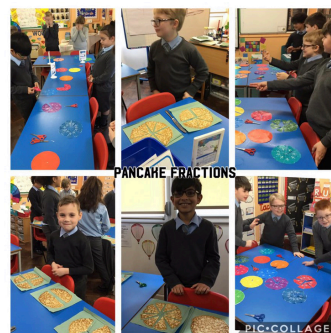
Think creatively to reframe and solve problems.

Tweet of the week!



Dosbarth Skomer
@DosbarthSkomer

Amser hwyl! Dosbarth Skomer were looking at fractions this week in our numeracy lessons! We looked at fraction wheels and even had a chance to create pancake fractions. The results looked great and tasted even better! #ambitiouscapablelearners



Tweet your reply

[@st_francispembs](https://twitter.com/st_francispembs)

<https://www.stfranciscatholicschool.co.uk/parent-zone>



Wythnos Gymreig
Welsh Week
WB 2.3.20

Diwrnod Day	What does my child need to wear?	What will they be doing?	What will they need?
Dydd Llun Monday	Red/White/Green or Traditional Welsh Dress	'Welsh Week' activities	Normal items- reading book/ homework diary/copy of poem/song etc.
Dydd Mawrth Tuesday	Uniform	'Welsh Week' activities	Normal items - reading book/ homework diary/copy of poem/song etc.
Dydd Mercher Wednesday	Uniform/PE Kit	'Welsh Week' activities	Normal items - reading book/ homework diary/copy of poem/song etc.
Dydd Iau Thursday	World Book Day costumes Theme for every class: Magic	A variety of World Book Day activities	To bring in their favourite book with their name on the inside cover.
Dydd Gwener Friday	Traditional Welsh Dress/House colours: St Josephs - blue St Davids - yellow St Nons - red St Clares - green	Whole school Eisteddfod	They will need to know their class poem and song.



Please see below for details on the competitions for the school eisteddfod and DT homework for the half-term. The children need to create either a 2D or a 3D piece and bring it in to school on Wednesday 26th February. The winning pieces will go through to the county round of the Eisteddfod.

THEME: SUMMIT TO SHORE (Mor a Mynydd)

It is possible to interpret the theme literally or in an abstract way.

Competition number	Which age group?	Which category?	What can I use?	How big can it be?
185	Year 2 and under	2D Creative Work	Work based on the theme using combined mediums e.g. collage, tiles or mosaic.	The size of each item (including the 25mm mount) should not exceed 760 x 560mm.
186	Year 3 & 4			
187	Year 5 & 6			
278	Year 2 and under	3D Creative Work	Freestanding work based on the theme in any medium or a combination of mediums. Materials from the natural environment may be used. Non-firing clay is not permitted.	The size of each item should not exceed 750 x 750 x 750mm and should weigh no more than 10kg. Definition of 3D: An object which is visible from every direction and is able to support itself.
279	Year 3 & 4			
280	Year 5 & 6			

