

ST ILLTYD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



29th September 2023

Attendance week ending 29.9.23

REC	81.2%
CL1	80.2%
CL2	94.7%
CL3	91%
CL4	87.7%
CL5	87.2%
CL6	86.2%

Da iawn to class 2. Two weeks in a row - A great effort. However, we do need a big push to improve our attendance figures.

Diary

02.10.23	Influenza immunization Rec – Yr 6	All day
3.10.23	Y6- Swansea Marina- Copper Jack	All Day
04.10.23	Fluoride Vanish dental team- Nursery- Y2	All Day
05.10.23	Bishop Vaughan Y6 transition day	All Day
06.10.23	Y5/6 Football Festival	All Day
5.10.23	Y5 – Trip to Bury Port and Wetlands	All day
10.10.23	School photos- individual photos & sibling groups within school	AM
18.10.23	Y4 & 5 - PC Kyle	AM
23.10.23	Y6 – Taster day Cefn Hengoed	

Please remember suitable outdoor coats and footwear, as we utilise our outdoor areas in most weather

European Day of Languages- 28th September

The children had a wonderful day celebrating European Day of Languages yesterday. They looked wonderful. They learnt new words, tasted new foods and learnt new



facts about the culture and traditions of their chosen country. We also celebrated all the different languages and cultures that our families belong to. We are so very lucky and proud to have such a diverse school community.

Parents Evening- 24th & 26th October 2023

There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and targets on the above dates. Appointments will start at 3:40pm and end at 5:30pm. We will use the online booking system 'School Cloud' for you to book an appointment. I will be sending out further information next week with clear instruction on how to book.

Reception/Year 7 school places- September 2024

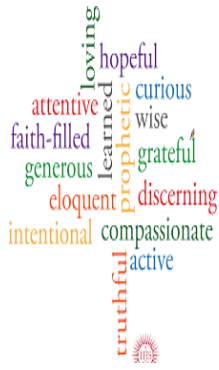
Applications will be live Monday for the Reception and Year 7 places for September 24. An email has been sent with the details of how to apply. If you need any help, please do contact the office.

Data Capture information sheets

We have still not received everyone's form back. Please check your child's bags for the data forms. I cannot stress how important it is that you complete these and return them to school ASAP. These enable us to contact you immediately in case of an emergency. They also make us aware of any allergies or health care needs that your child may have. Please inform us of any changes to your address or phone number during the academic year.

Influenza Immunization Rec- Y6- 2nd October

Thank you for returning forms. The school nurses will be in school on Monday. If you have ticked No on the form for permission but you have changed your mind, please let us know and the school nurse will administer the immunization. Forms need to be returned even if you decide not to give permission for the immunization. School nurses will be calling all parents that do not return their consent forms. **If your child has Asthma and has increased usage or has taken steroids over the last few weeks, please contact the Nurse on 07890964273**



INSET DAY- 6th November 2023

Please save this date. It is the first Monday after half term. There will be no school for pupils on the above date, as staff will be involved in training.

School Uniform

Thank you for your ongoing support with regards to ensuring our uniform policy is implemented. We are now following **winter uniform** but tailored shorts can be worn. Can I remind you that only plain black trainers are allowed as part of our school uniform policy. **Polo shirts to be worn on PE days or trip days only.** We do have some pre-loved uniform in school for anyone who needs it. Please contact the office if you do require anything.



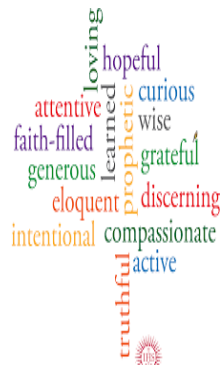
School Diaries- Consent pages

Please can you sign all the consent pages within the diary ASAP. Consents include allowing the children to leave the school to explore our local area, consent to attend church and activities that may be happening in our secondary schools as well as consent for your child to have photos put on Twitter (X) and our website. The diary is also your child's reading record. We ask that you try to read with your child at least 3 times a week. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Attendance - Welsh Government and Local Authority directive

As we return to the new academic year, the advice from Welsh Government is to focus on attendance. Therefore, the Educational Welfare Service will be following the 'All Wales Attendance Framework', which will also include the use of Penalty Notice and Court if appropriate. **Attendance in schools needs to remain a priority** to ensure that children and young people are given the chance to achieve their potential. You will see from this week's attendance figures that attendance is quite low. I will be having fortnightly meetings with Jonathan Martin, our educational welfare officer, to discuss pupils who have low attendance.





Save the date: Class assemblies

Class assemblies will be held in our school hall at 9:30am. All welcome. Please take note and save the date for your child's class assembly:

Y6 Mrs Saer	Thursday 25 th January
Y5 Mrs Lynch	Thursday 14 th March
Y4 Mr Dalton	Thursday 2 nd May
Y3- Mr Lewis	Thursday 16 th May
Y2- Mrs Rees	Thursday 29 th February
Y1- Mrs Delaney	Thursday 18 th April
Rec- Mrs Hickson	Thursday 13 th June

Term	Term begins		Mid-term holiday begins	Mid-term holiday ends		Terms ends	Total Days
Autumn 2023	Friday 1 September	Friday 27 October	Monday 30 October	Friday 3 November	Monday 6 November	Friday 22 December	76
Spring 2024	Monday 8 January	Friday 9 February	Monday 12 February	Friday 16 February	Monday 19 February	Friday 22 March	50
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April	Friday 24 May	Monday 27 May	Friday 31 May	Monday 3 June	Friday 19 July	69

INSET days

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Monday 6th November 2023

Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 8th April 2024

1 Inset days to be confirmed

Bank holidays 2024

29 March - Good Friday

1 April - Easter Monday

6 May - May Day

27 May - Spring Bank Holiday

Please note that this calendar is subject to any changes that may arise as a result of Welsh Government issuing a direction on term dates.

The City and County of Swansea does not accept any liability for any losses incurred in respect of altered holiday arrangements following changes to the timetable in any direction issued by the Welsh Government.