

# ST ILLTYD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Attendance W/C: 3.6.23

| Class | % Attend |
|-------|----------|
| REC   | 90.4     |
| CL1   | 84.4     |
| CL2   | 95.8     |
| CL3   | 89.0     |
| CL4   | 86.9     |
| CL5   | 86.4     |
| CL6   | 88.1     |

**Congratulation to Class 2 again- two weeks in a row- Ardderchog!**

## Diary

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|---------|--|---------|
| 10.7.23 | Fr Robert to visit classes- Come and See | All day |
| 11.7.23 | Transition day- meet new teacher         | All day |
| 11.7.23 | Y6 Cefn Hengoed Transition day           | All day |
| 13.7.23 | Y4 day out- enterprise project           | All day |
| 14.7.23 | Y6 Leavers Mass- St Illtyd's Church      | 11:15am |
| 14.7.23 | Leavers Assembly- School hall            | 14:00   |
| 14.7.23 | Reports out to parents                   |         |
| 18.7.23 | Leavers Trip – Beach day                 | All day |
| 21.7.23 | <b>LAST DAY IN SCHOOL</b>                |         |

## Sun hats and sun cream and coats

Please ensure that children come to school with a sun hat and that cream is applied each morning before school. Staff are encouraging the children to drink during the day so that they keep hydrated. Please provide your child with a water bottle so we can keep it filled up.

**As we do live in Wales, and the weather is unpredictable, please ensure the children have raincoats on the day that they are needed.**

## Summer Term

7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## Margam Park Trip



Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 had a lovely day in Margam Park today. They visited the castle, explored the grounds, met the farmer and enjoyed asking questions about the animals that live in the

park. A thoroughly enjoyable day had by all.

## Sports Day

Another successful sports day. Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended. It was an amazing turn out. The sun shone, everyone was smiling and the children were fabulous and enjoyed taking part in all the events. Well done to all the parents who took part in the parent's race, it was very competitive! Well done to St Non, red house, who won the overall cup on the day.



## Transition Day- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023

The children will be spending the day with their new class teacher, in their new classroom on Tuesday. Normal school arrangements will be in place. Nursery children going to Reception have had separate information sent to them, so should be aware of the arrangements

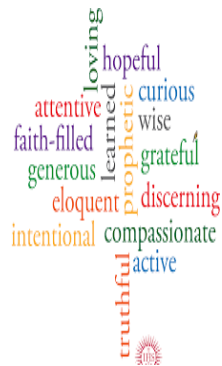
## Y6 Leavers Mass and Leavers Assembly

It is that time of year again where we are preparing to say goodbye to our wonderful Y6 children. Family members are invited to attend leavers Mass at St Illtyd's church on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 11:15am and then the 'Matilda' leaver's production at 2pm in the school hall. Get your tissues ready.

## Healthy Snacks

Please ensure your child has a healthy snack for break times. It is a long time from the start of the day until lunch

and they are often looking for something to eat during their break. We do sometimes have spare fruit, but not enough for classes of children.



## Uniform Grant

Over the past few years, funding for uniform has been available for families on low incomes. This year the grant was for £225 per child. Whilst we have not yet received confirmation that the grant will be in place for the next school year, we recommend you commence the application process now.

To check if you are eligible you should firstly apply for Free School Meals - (This is not the Universal Free School Meals which all pupils will soon have)

<https://www.swansea.gov.uk/applyfreeschoolmeals>

If your application for Free School Meals is successful, you will be able to apply to receive the uniform grant.

**Reception, Year 1 & Year 2** – you should follow the same process of applying for Free School Meals. Even though your children receive meals free of charge as part of the new government initiative this is the only way to check if you are eligible to receive the Uniform Grant.

Don't miss out .... apply for free school meals now!

## End of Year Reports

Your children will be bringing home their school reports

On 14<sup>th</sup> July. Please could you sign and return the slip that comes with the report, this is to acknowledge that the report has been received. There is also a space for you to leave a comment if you wish to do so. If you have a question or concern regarding any aspect of the report, and would like to speak with the class teacher, they will be available for a phone call on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 3.30-4.30pm. Please request this on the comments part of the slip.

## Uniform for September 2023

Bergoni Uniform Suppliers would like to encourage parents to purchase any new uniform required for September by the end of July/beginning of August. If you would like to book a fitting appointment to skip the queue and use the fitting room you can call Bergoni on 01792 796880 or order online at [Bergoni.co.uk](http://Bergoni.co.uk)

## New Online Payment Supplier – September

We will no longer be using sQuid once we finish school on 21st July 2023. The Local Authority are implementing a change to our online payment provider for school meals and trips. From September, our new provider will be iPayimpact. We will provide you with your registration details in September. **Steps you will need to action:**

- Use up balance: Please ensure any remaining balance on sQuid is used up before the end term. If you are still in credit on your sQuid account at the end of term, you will need to request a refund from sQuid directly. Link to the sQuid webpage available here: Contact: sQuid ([squidcard.com](http://squidcard.com))
- Automatic Top-up: Ensure you cancel any automatic top-up instructions on sQuid.
- Debt: Clear any debt outstanding on sQuid. Ensure school meals are paid for before they are taken not after.
- Debt - Reminder – The Local Authority has a no debt policy, school meals should be paid for in advance, not after the meal has already been taken

## Parental Questionnaire

A link was sent out last week via sQuid asking you to fill in a short questionnaire. This is the last week that the questionnaire will be open. We are always eager to ensure your views and the children's views are taken into consideration when planning school improvement. Thank you to those who have already completed the questionnaires. It has been very positive so far.

loving  
hopeful  
attentive  
faith-filled  
generous  
eloquent  
intentional  
truthful  
curious  
wise  
grateful  
discerning  
compassionate  
active



St Illtyds RC  
Primary School

# SUMMER FETE

GLITTER  
TATTOOS

BOUNCY  
CASTLE

TOMBOLA

SPLASH THE  
TEACHER

STALLS

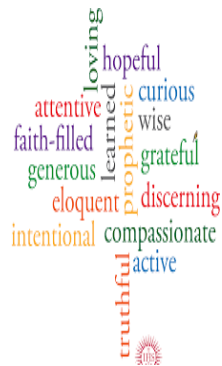
FACE  
PAINTING

RAFFLE

AND MORE . . . .

Monday 17th July  
3:30pm until 4:45pm  
(cash only)





## School term and holiday dates 2022 / 2023 - **INSET day Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

| Term               | Term begins     |               | Mid-term holiday begins | Mid-term holiday ends |               | Terms ends     | Total days |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| <b>Summer 2023</b> | Monday 17 April | Friday 26 May | Monday 29 May           | Friday 2 June         | Monday 5 June | Monday 24 July | 65         |

## School term and holiday dates 2023 / 2024

| Term               | Term begins        |                   | Mid-term holiday begins | Mid-term holiday ends |                    | Terms ends         | Total days |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
| <b>Autumn 2023</b> | Friday 1 September | Friday 27 October | Monday 30 October       | Friday 3 November     | Monday 6 November  | Friday 22 December | 76         |
| <b>Spring 2024</b> | Monday 8 January   | Friday 9 February | Monday 12 February      | Friday 16 February    | Monday 19 February | Friday 22 March    | 50         |
| <b>Summer 2024</b> | 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 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024

2 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.