



ST ILLTYD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



Attendance week ending 2.2.24

REC	94.1
CL1	90.4
CL2	92.7
CL3	92.1
CL4	92.3
CL5	90.4
CL6	91.8

Well done to Reception. Can you make it 2 weeks in a row?

Diary

12.01.24-09.02.24	Y4 Swimming lessons – National pool	PM
5.2.24	Wear Yellow to school for Children's Mental Health Week	All day
5.2.24	Reception to visit St David's church	AM
8.2.24 change of date	Parent Workshop See details below	2pm
5-11.2.24	Children's Mental Health Week	All week
7.2.24	Nursery and Reception Art Exhibition	
8.2.24	Y4 Bishop Vaughan Visit	All Day
9.2.24	Fr Robert- Lenten Service- Whole school	09:00
9.2.24	Fire Service to talk with Y2 & Y5	AM
9.2.24	End of half term- No school for a week.	
19.2.24	INSET DAY	

Class Assemblies- 9:30am in the Hall

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

2nd February 2024

Y5 Swansea Arena



The children had a wonderful day in Swansea Arena. A fabulous experience had by all. They were able to access all the different parts of the arena and found out about

all the many jobs that happen in order to put on a show. They enjoyed taking centre stage, playing musical instruments and having a singsong. Some future stars in the making.

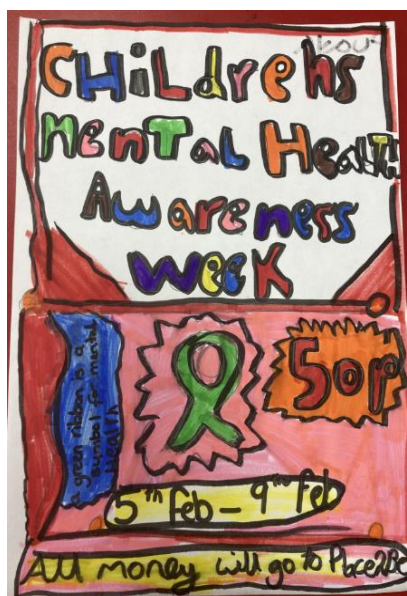
Children's Mental Health Week



From the 5-11th February we will be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. This years theme is 'My Voice Matters' and we will be raising awareness by **wearing yellow to school on Monday the 5th February**. Children will undertake activities related to the

theme throughout the week. If you would like to find out more information, please click on the link -

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>



Next week is Children's Mental Health week. The School Council will be selling green ribbons throughout the week to raise money for 'Place2be' which is a children mental health charity. They are 50p each. If you would like to buy one can you, please send money in to school in a labelled envelope. Thank you.



Year 4 Visit to Bishop Vaughan

This is the first visit for year 4 pupils to our feeder comprehensive school. I am sure they are in for a fun packed day of activities and will have a little experience of what life in. The children will need to wear Full School Uniform pupils will need a packed lunch.

Year 4 Dinners

We are pleased to inform you that City of Swansea will be rolling out universal free school meals to all year 4 pupils from 19 February 2024 (after half term).

INSET DAY- Monday 19th February

Just to remind you that there will be **no school** for pupils on the 19th February. This is the first Monday back after half term.

Parking around the school

I have continued to have complaints from local residents about our parents parking across drives during drop off and pick up times. I appreciate parking around school is difficult, however, please be respectful of other people's property. Some parents have also been quite aggressive towards residents.

The PCSO and police have been informed.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that breakfast club opens at 8am. Some children are waiting in the foyer from 7:45am. The children are unsupervised and there have been a few incidents that staff have had to deal with on their way into school. I would really appreciate you waiting with your children until the doors open.

St Illtyd's V Glais Y5 & Y6 football

It was lovely to host our first football match here at St Illtyd's last Wednesday. We played Glais primary. The children thoroughly enjoyed, showed great sportsmanship, we even let the opposition team a player. We won the game 2-1. They have requested a re-match!

End of the day

Please can you be vigilant and remind the children to stick to the path and driveway when leaving school at the end of the school day. I have reminded them all that they are not to run up the bank and climb trees and fences when they have released at 3:30pm They are your responsibility once they have left the classroom at the end of the day. We really don't want any serious accidents to happen, we have had a few near misses already. Thank you.

Uniform – Reception, Year 1,2,3,4,5&6

I have spoken with all the children today about our uniform policy. As you know, we do have high expectations with regards to uniform. Over the last few weeks, I have noticed that the children are coming into school with brightly coloured trainers, (only plain black trainers or shoes are allowed as part of the uniform policy), and sometimes brightly coloured leggings/trousers and jumpers. I would be very grateful if you could please adhere to our uniform policy, this can be found on our website and also in the home/school diary. If you are struggling with the purchase of any items of uniform, we have boxes of spare uniform. I will happily put a bag of uniform together for you. I appreciate your support with this.

Attendance and Punctuality

Please can I make another plea to you regarding attendance and punctuality. Please note that if your child is not in school, the policy states that you need to inform school by 9:30 on the morning of their absence. I have fortnightly meetings with the Educational Welfare Officer and he will be contacting you if your child has flagged as having poor attendance. Attendance is a Local Authority and National target. School starts at 8:50am.

Please can you ensure your child is in school for that time. It is embarrassing for the children if they have to walk through assembly or come into class late.

Parents are reminded that they need to accompany all children who are late, into the school building, to sign the late register. In addition, key information is usually given to the children first thing in the morning, which can cause upset if it is missed.

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Parent Workshop Emotional Regulation

February 8th @ 2pm

Strategies to help your child regulate
after experiencing 'big' emotions



Please contact your child's
teacher via Dojo to reserve
your space

Parent Workshop

There are more and more parents approaching us about anxieties and worries that they are witnessing their children displaying at home. We have tried to reach out to professionals to support not only you as parents, but also us as teachers. Please do try to attend the parent workshop advertised in this poster. It will be run by professionals from an outside agency. I am sure it will be extremely helpful and useful to you moving forward.

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Term	Term begins		Mid-term holiday begins		Mid-term holiday ends		Terms ends	Total Days
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

MONDAY 19th February 2024

Monday 8th April 2024 1 Inset days to be confirmed

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.

Bank holidays 2024

29 March - Good Friday

1 April - Easter Monday

6 May - May Day

27 May - Spring Bank Holiday



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