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St Joseph's News



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27th January 2025



% Attendance – whole school – 94.7% TARGET 94%						
Week ending- 17 th January 2025						
Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
94.8%	95.3%	95.5%	94.1%	95.8%	94.5%	93.1%

Presentation of the Lord

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

School Essentials Grant – see information below.

Help with school costs – the schools essentials grant supports families on low incomes to buy equipment and uniform for their children.

Who is eligible?

- Families with children in reception to year 11 on lower incomes and get certain benefits can apply for: £125 per learner and extra funding for your school, £200 for learners entering year 7 (to help with increased costs associated with starting secondary school)
- Parents and carers can claim once per child per school year.
Receiving Universal Primary Free School Meals does not automatically entitle your child to the School Essentials Grant:
- Learners must be eligible for means-tested Free School Meals (eFSM).
- Learners who receive free school meals due to transitional protection arrangements do not qualify.

All children in local authority care qualify for the grant. We also encourage local authorities to use their discretion to provide the grant to children whose parents or carers are not entitled to public funds. Receiving the School Essentials Grant will not affect your tax or other benefits.

It can help cover the costs of:

- school uniform, including coats and shoes
- school activities, including learning a musical instrument, sports kit and other equipment for after school activities
- classroom essentials, including pens, pencils and school bags

Please click on the link

<https://www.newport.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/educational-grants>

Absences

If your child is unwell and you telephone or email the school, please could you also let us know what is wrong, for example, sickness, cold, temperature etc? We need to record each absence on the class register so we would appreciate more detail.

Healthy School Recipe

Dear Parents, we are the Healthy Schools Parliament Group and we thought it would be a nice idea for us to provide you all with some healthy snack recipe ideas that you could make at home for lunchboxes or as a little snack once everyone gets home from school. We will provide a recipe a week for you all. Our Second recipe is from Amari. It is a delicious Oat and Blueberry Breakfast Cake. Easy to cut into slices for lunch boxes or an after school snack.

Dry Ingredients

- 180 g All-Purpose / Plain Flour
- 100g Regular Sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 45g rolled oats, old-fashioned or quick-cooking

Calendar Dates	
Weds 8 th Jan – 19 th Feb	Gateway Rugby Y2 - fortnightly
Thurs 9 th Jan - 20 th Feb	County in the Community – St Veronica Y5 - weekly
Weds 22 nd Jan until Weds 12 th Feb	Year 2 – Forest Schools
Mon 3 rd Feb	Winterberry Smoothie sale - after school 50p each
3 rd -7 th Feb	Children's Mental Health week
Fri 7 th Feb	Dydd Miwsig Cymreig – Welsh Music Day
Mon 10 th Feb	Jubilee Year Launch Day
Fri 14 th Feb	Fluoride Treatment YR-Y2
Fri 14 th Feb	St Carlo Acutis – Reception class assembly 2.45pm parents welcome
W/B 17 th Feb	Welsh week – Wythnos Cymreig
Mon 17 th Feb	St Dwynwen Y2 – Chepstow Castle Trip
Weds 19 th Feb	Caffi Cymraeg – St Peter (Y1) class lead 9am – school hall - parents welcome
Fri 21 st Feb	St David's Day Service St Dwynwen class (Y2) lead 2.45pm
24 th -28 th Feb	HALF TERM
Mon 3 rd Mar	Inset day – staff training
Fri 7 th March	Eisteddfod
Wed 5 th Mar	Ash Wednesday Service St George (Y6) 2.30pm parents welcome
Thurs 6 th Mar – 10 th Apr	Forest School – St Veronica (Y5) every Thursday
Thurs 6 th Mar – 10 th April	County in the Community – St George Y6
Fri 7 th Mar	Eisteddfod
Wed 19 th Mar	St Joseph's Day Mass – St Peter Y1 2pm parents invited
Mon 24 th Mar- Fri 4 th Apr	Sustrans Big Wheel and Walk fortnight
Mon 24 th – 28 th Apr	Philosophy Matters Week
Wed 2 nd Apr	Easter Play – Year 3 St Francis and Y4 St Cecilia Time (pm)
Thurs 3 rd Apr	Easter Play – Year 3 St Francis and Y4 St Cecilia Time (pm)
WB Mon 7 th Apr	School Holy Week
14 th – 25 th Apr	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Thurs 16 th Apr	Reception 2025 offers sent out
Mon 28 th Apr	Return to school

Training Days – school closed to children

3rd March 2025
28th April 2025
27th June 2025

Wet Ingredients

- 220 ml milk
- 2 Tablespoons lemon juice
- 65 ml vegetable oil
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 200 g Blueberries, fresh or frozen

Streusel Topping

- 3 Tablespoons sugar ^{[[SEP]]}
- 3 Tablespoons brown sugar ^{[[SEP]]}
- 40g All-purpose flour
- 4 Tablespoons butter, melted

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 200 C. Grease and line an 8-inch square baking pan.
 2. Make the streusel topping by mixing all the streusel ingredients into a crumb mixture and then place in the fridge to chill whilst you make the rest of the recipe.
 3. In a bowl, add the milk and lemon juice, stir, and then add the oatmeal.
 4. Stir in the oats very well so they can all soak and soften.
 5. Then add the remainder of the wet ingredients and using a fork, beat so the eggs are well combined with the rest of the wet ingredients. Set aside.
 6. In a separate large bowl, measure out the remaining dry ingredients and combine them with a spoon so everything is mixed in well.
 7. Add the wet ingredients to the dry ingredients, and stir just enough until combined. Make sure you do not over mix as this will toughen the cake. Add the blueberries, gently folding them into the batter.
 8. Transfer the cake batter to the baking pan.
 9. Evenly sprinkle the streusel topping over the top of the cake batter.
 10. Bake for approximately 30 minutes, until golden brown and the cake tester comes out clean.
 11. Remove from the oven and allow to cool in the baking pan for 5 minutes and then transfer to a cooling rack.
- We would also like to let you know that on Monday 3rd February at the end of the school day we will be selling our Winterberry Smoothies to raise money for charity. These are delicious healthy smoothies for a nice refreshing drink on your way home from school! We will sell them for 50p a drink. We hope you enjoy them!
- Thank you!
The Healthy Schools Parliament Group
21st July 2025

Bank Holiday

Monday 5th May – school closed
Please check the calendar regularly as items are added weekly – we would not like you to miss anything your children take part in.