

## St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

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Dear parents/carers,

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### News

Year 1 had a fantastic trip to St Fagans on Monday – all part of their 'School days' topic. Mrs Day was very proud of the children and they managed to fit a number of activities in, despite the wet weather. The children who are on committees were given their badges today and I know they are all very proud to wear them. Some committees have met already and others will meet after half term and I will then meet with all the Year 6 representatives in SAMs Senedd. We were very proud of Ava and Joshua in Year 6 who represented the school at The Vale of Glamorgan school ambassador event yesterday. They learned all about UNC rights of the child and wrote pledges outlining how they would share this information with the



rest of the school community.

We were delighted to receive a selection of books free of charge from The Books Council of Wales this week. Every pupil has been given a book to take home and keep. I know some classes have discussed bringing them in to swap when they have finished but that is entirely up to the children.



### Parents' Evening and survey

I hope you found parents evening useful in finding out how your child has settled in, progress they are making and any targets for the future. To follow up from this, I am asking parents to complete a short survey to help us know what we are doing well and what we could do to improve. Please do take the time to complete the survey as it is really important for us to have parent/carers views. The survey will be open until 18<sup>th</sup> November.

<https://forms.office.com/r/m4ThUWE5Jj>

### Parking on waste ground opposite the school

We are lucky to have the area opposite the school for parents, staff and visitors to park. The land is owned by the community council and not the school, however, there have always been a set of unofficial 'rules' which helps keep the space accessible and safe. Please remember to enter from the Westra lane, move down as far as possible to park and then exit on to St Andrew's Road. Please can I also ask you to keep your speed really low at all times, due to the number of small children around.

### Poppy Appeal

Year 6 will be selling poppies after half term (We have sticker poppies for younger children). This is obviously a fantastic cause and we are asking for donations of £1 (cash this year again). Thank you.

## Dinner Money

There are a number of junior pupils' accounts which are in arrears. Please ensure these are cleared as soon as possible.

## Christmas Concert Arrangements (repeated)

Numbers in the hall for the Nativity are restricted due to Health and Safety and are as follows:  
Nursery – for parents who only have children in Nursery, you will be allocated 2 tickets according to your child/children's session.

For all other pupils, each family are allowed up to a total of 3 tickets. You could have 2 for 1 performance and then 1 for the other or 3 for the same performance.

Tickets for the Junior Carol Service will also be restricted but I will confirm numbers once I have spoken to Father Andrew.

## CONFIRMED DATES (New dates in Red)

**31<sup>st</sup> Oct – 4<sup>th</sup> Nov** – HALF TERM

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Y4 trip to Cardiff Castle

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Zoom meeting for Y5 parents/carers re Llangrannog

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Year 6 to attend the Remembrance in the village.

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Year 6 Remembrance Worship in school at 9.30 (Y6 Parents invited to attend)

**14<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Year 5 swimming lessons (separate letter has been sent)

**Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Y3 Contribution to St Peter's Service at 10:30

**12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** – PTA Wreath making workshops

**Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Infant Nativity at 1:30pm

**Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Infant Nativity at 9:30am

**Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Junior Carol Service at 1:30pm (St Peter's)

**Weds 21<sup>st</sup> Dec** – Last Day of Term

As we reach the end of the half term, we say good-bye to Alex in Year 5 who is moving to a new country and a new school. I am sure you would like to join me in wishing Alex and his family our best wishes in their new adventure – we will all miss you Alex!

I really hope everyone has a lovely half term. Please stay safe if you are out and about for Halloween and Guy Fawkes' night.

Yours faithfully,



Gen Hallett  
Headteacher

Our value this half term is Thankfulness:

***Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. (Psalms 100:4)***