

## MAY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a busy term already! It has been fantastic to get back to more normal learning routines. Learning has taken place in a wide variety of interesting locations. Nursery children visited the allotments in Cwmafan, Reception children have visited the Library and Mrs James, Mrs Turner and Mrs Hussell's class had an amazing learning to learn day in St Fagan's. There were squeals of delight as we boarded and compulsory singing on our bus. All children rose to the challenges of the day. Well done!

After School Pirates and Princesses Ballet Club is up and running with Miss Eleanor (Huxley and Indigo's Mum). I was very impressed by the group's enthusiasm when I joined them. Sessions are imaginative, very engaging and lots of fun. Thanks you Miss Eleanor.

Mrs Turner's children have thrown themselves into our photography project and After School Camera Club. Next Thursday we will take i-pads down to the beach to join in with our Strava Challenge walk raising money for little Olivia and Ukraine.

A special welcome to all our new toddlers who have joined us for Language and Play sessions on Friday mornings. If you, or a friend would like to drop in to this free session (9:30-10:30) come along or speak to Miss Natasha Jones (Early Years Nursery Team).

Year 2 transition: A Plan has been put together to ensure that Y2 children are confident and happy and transition smoothly to St Joseph's Junior School. Some key dates:

16.05.22 Mrs May and Mrs Hopkins visit Infant school.

8.06.22 Children walk from Infants to Juniors (pm)

7.06.22 Children arrive at Juniors 9:00 am, stay for lunch. Mrs Hussell, Mrs May are here to help with any queries you

# Please could you send Snack money is £2.00 weekly

Every child is offered fruit / other daily. This small pot of money is also used to top up a arts and crafts weekly.

#### May is the Month of Our Lady.

We have some blue and pink plastic rosaries for sale at a cost of 30p each. May Procession (in school yard) tbc

# Voluntary Contribution Building Fund - A small amount makes a huge difference.

Huge thanks to those families who have contributed financially. If families are not in a position to pay £2 weekly for the Building Fund, then we completely understand.

Strava Challenge: Our whole school community is invited to join us

MEET at the WHALE 12.05.22@3:15

Please join us after school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 in our final walk -Walking the coastline of Wales for peace!

Praying and walking for peace in Ukraine whilst raising money for Ukraine and also Olivia. Olivia is a little girl from Cwmafan who has cancer.

(See link sent out for more information 'Help Olivia fight Cancer').

#### First Holy Communion Update:

Thanks to Mrs James and Mrs Hines for preparing Year 2 children to make their First Holy Communion.

First Holy Communion in St. Joseph's Parish is 19<sup>th</sup>, and Margam Parish is 12<sup>th</sup> June.

## <u>Back to Sunday Mass - Helping your</u> <u>child become faith-filled and Hopeful</u>

Please try to find time on Saturday evening or Sunday morning to take your child to celebrate the Eucharist, to go to Mass. We are playing catch up - and regular attendance at Mass with you would be a great gift to your child.

<u>Next Step:</u> teach the simple prayers and actions of the Mass. Then move on to simple responses.

#### Events for the Diary:

Half Term - Monday 30th May

Queens Jubilee Holiday – school closed 6<sup>th</sup> June Margam Park – Reception, Year 1 and 2 – 9<sup>th</sup> June – more information to follow

**Queens Jubilee Party** - 10<sup>th</sup> June (more info to follow)

Class Photos (Finesse Photography) – 16<sup>th</sup> June

**First Holy Communion** - 12<sup>th</sup> June (Margam Parish) 19<sup>th</sup> June (St. Joseph's Parish)

Dinomania - 21st June (more info to follow)

Multi-cultural week - 27<sup>th</sup> June (more info to follow)

**World Book Day** – 8<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Day - 15th July

INSET 1st July 2022

### Designated School Child Protection Officers

CP Governor:

Deputy CP Teacher : Mrs. S. Turner

Designated CP Teacher: Ms.J. Beaumont

Mrs .H Murtagh









Language & Play Session - please Come along to the Nursery on Friday at 9.30 to 10.30 Following Covid guidance please do not attend Sessions if you are showing any Covid symptoms. Please come along & bring your toddlers.

If you require written materials in a different format please inform the school