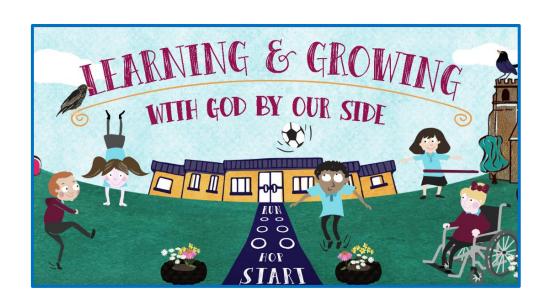
St Mary's Church in Wales Primary School



Information Booklet for Pupils and Parents

Croeso I Blwyddyn 3

Useful Information



Teacher - Mr Steele



The School Day

Starts - 8:55am

Break - 10:30 - 10:40am

Lunch - 12:15 - 1:00pm

Home time - 3:15pm

Lunchtime at St Mary's

Pupils can bring a packed lunch from home, or school meals should be preordered using Parent Pay. School meals are free for all primary school children.

Water and snack

Pupils can bring their own labelled water bottle to school. This can be refilled in school as necessary and returned home for washing. Pupils will also need a healthy snack for morning break time.



We will provide every pupil with the stationery that they need for lessons. They can bring one pencil case to school to keep these in if they wish. The pencil case will be kept in their tray overnight.

Medical/Illness

If your child is unwell, please contact school on the first morning of absence. If we do not receive this notification, the absence will have to be recorded as unauthorised.

PE

Kit: Blue PE T-shirt, black shorts (tracksuit bottoms for cold weather). Trainers for outdoor sessions, black pumps for indoor sessions (which can be kept in school). Pupils are to come to school dressed in their kit on the day of PE, which in Blwyddyn 3 will be on Mondays and Tuesdays.

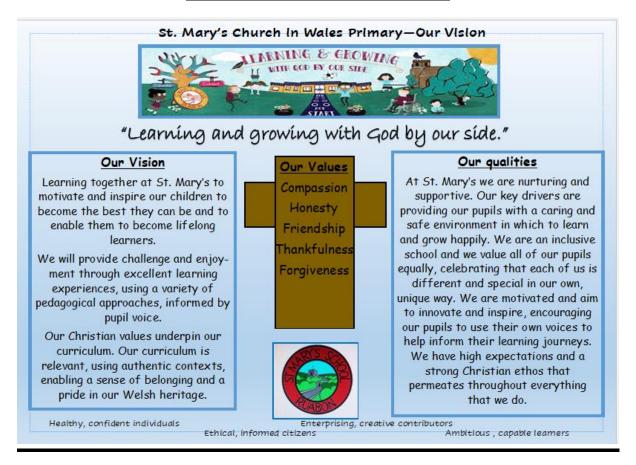


Homework

Reading books will be sent home on either Thursday or Friday and is to be returned by the following Wednesday please. Pupils will receive homework, either on paper or assigned on our Google Classroom each Friday (unless mentioned otherwise).



Our Curriculum



Curriculum for Wales gives schools the freedom to design our own curriculum based on:

- Four Core Purposes
- Six Areas of Learning and Experience
- Mandatory Elements and Cross-Curricular Skills development
- Five Cross-Cutting Themes

Please see the following link for further information:

https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/a-new-curriculum-in-wales-a-guide-for-parents/

Here at St Mary's, we have designed a curriculum to enable our learners to develop in a way described in the four core purposes.



Our curriculum is inclusive and suitable for all learners of differing ages and abilities. It is broad and balanced, encompassing a variety of topics and enquiry questions.

Whilst topics have been chosen, our curriculum will be under constant review and flexible enough to respond to things going on in our local area and wider world. We encourage 'pupil-informed planning,' engaging our pupils in activities to help them share their ideas for learning opportunities and share what they would like to learn.

Launch Days

All new topics begin with a 'launch day.' This is a day off-timetable where pupils take part in various activities, immersing them in their new topic. Activities such as meeting a character, taking part in workshops or break out challenges, going on scavenger hunts...these are just some of the activities that pupils have enjoyed so far. Engaging pupils in these ways helps to fuel their imagination and excitement for their new topic. 'Pupil Power' also takes place on launch days, allowing pupils across the whole school to make suggestions for learning activities and experience linked to the new topic. Pupils use sticky notes, large pieces of paper, Jamboard and Padlet to collaborate and share ideas. Older pupils also link their ideas to the six areas of learning and experience.













Our Topics

Topic	Enquiry questions/focus
#LivingMyBestLife	Importance of a balanced diet/
g, a section, a	learning about food groups and where
	food comes from.
Fairytales	Reading and retelling popular
7	fairytales, including with a twist.
	Looking at how events can be
	interpreted in different ways.
The Celts	Learning about roundhouses, Celtic
·	life, Queen Boudicca and hillforts.
Local Area	Learning more about our local area,
	in-particular Ruabon, in preparation
	for writing a report about the village.
Africa	Learning more about African culture,
• • • • •	music and the daily life of the people
	living in Africa.

Please use our school app/website to see posts and pictures, showing what we have been learning and what fun we have

been having in Blwyddyn 3!

https://www.stmarysruabon.co.uk/