



# St Brigid's News

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are all aware that our children are exposed to Social Media from a young age.

As part of the Personal and Social Education programme across the school, we endeavour to educate our young people about how to stay safe online. We are lucky to have support from many external organisations such as North Wales Police and Children's Charities. We are aware that as adults the dangers can sometime pass us by.

I have attached some parental specific resources for you all to digest and act upon so that you can join us in keeping our young people safe.

<https://hwb.gov.wales/search?query=digital%20literacy&strict=true&popupUri=%2FResource%2F26e821f0-00e6-4bda-82bd-c548134bd079>

<https://hwb.gov.wales/search?query=stay%20safe%20online&strict=true&popupUri=%2FResource%2F92fb6ee7-198a-4f68-9f79-52119b98d6b0>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>

Kind regards

Rona Jones  
Headteacher / Pennaeth

Weekly attendance summary (week ending 21.09.18)

Nursery 96.2% Reception 89.2%

Year 1 98.3% Year 2 84.6%

Year 3 100% Year 4 97.0%

Year 5 93.6% Year 6 96.1%

Primary total: 94.8%

7G 92.1% 7R 100%

8G 91.1% 8R 93.1%

9G 94.8% 9R 95.9%

10G 91.8% 10R 92.2%

11G 92.5% 11R 92.1%

Secondary total: 93.6%

Congratulations to Year 3 with 100% attendance.



*Real love begins where nothing is expected in return.*



Following our theme for the new academic year 'God's language of love' we take a further look at kindness. Seeing Jesus in others, living our lives with courage and gentleness.

Trying to put our words into action, the following quote from Matthew's gospel can inspire us. 'When I was lonely you took time to be with me, when I was left out you reached out to me, when I needed a friend you were there for me'.

We need to represent Christ's authentic kindness and forgiveness to others. God wants us to live life to the full and use our unique giftedness to inspire others. Let us try today to encourage those in need.

*Saturday 29th September – The Feast of the Archangels, St Michael, St Gabriel, St Raphael. Please remember to say the St Michael prayer in thanksgiving for his protection for our school, our family and our parish.*



**JANUARY 11TH - 13TH** - Chaplaincy are organising a Youth Retreat to Savio House, Bollington, near Macclesfield on Jan 11<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> for Years 10 –13.

The Savio House community celebrates God's presence in all people – particularly the young enlivened by the spirit and vision of Don Bosco.

Morning prayers: 8.40 in Chapel – all welcome. Rosary 12.40 in Chapel – all welcome.

Pope's tweet: we all have a duty to do good.



**Behaviour Watch**  
Pupils with highest achievement points this week.



**ACHIEVEMENTS**

Primary - Harry Beckett Year 3  
Secondary - Seren Ferguson 8R  
Well done to you both.

**DATES FOR DIARY**

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Tuesday 2nd October

Year 3 Trip to Groundwork, North Wales, Wrexham and Year 5 Trip to Erddig, Wrexham

CCF - All Cadets

15.45 - 17.45

Wednesday 3rd October

Swimming - Years 3 and 5

10:00 am - 11:15 am

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## Should energy drinks be banned?

Many people drink energy drinks, but not for their real purpose. Energy drinks are designed to boost energy levels in scenarios such as sport. Energy drinks contain high levels of caffeine and contain many ingredients with poorly understood effects on the human body.

We at St Brigid's School have banned energy drinks in school and we recommend that young people do not consume energy drinks at all. In our Students' Health and Wellbeing report in 2017/18, there was a high number of pupils that consumed more than one energy drink a day. We are hoping, through our campaign, to reduce the consumption of energy drinks across the school.

Healthy Schools Network



### Orienteering for Year 5.

Despite it being very windy, everyone in Year 5 had a great introduction to orienteering on the playground. Lt Col Wood (our own qualified orienteering coach), along with Mr Madog, introduced some map reading skills to Year 5 Orienteering.

Using the skills learned in their weekly PE lesson, a few of the Year 5's joined a small team for the first league event of the season. We went to the centre of Liverpool, Calderstones Park. Amy, Lucy & Isla H from Year 5, and Anna, Maisy & Isla T from Year 6, joined Holly from Year 7 and our Welsh team runners, Freddie, Maddie & Philip, on a blustery day in the park.

Thank you to Mr Madog and Lt Col Wood for taking us.



### Primary Harvest Festival

Tuesday 9th October 2018  
9.15 - 10.15am

We will once again be holding our Primary Annual Harvest Festival. We support the Vale of Clwyd Food Bank and details of the foods and products they need are found on the following page of the Newsletter. There will be a box in the reception area and donations are welcomed by all. The foodbank provides three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food to support local people who are referred to them in crisis. They are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.



Llongyfarchiadau i Amilia Proctor Davies o Ddinbych sy wedi ennill gwobr am ddyfalu pa bara brith oedd y gorau a pwy wnaeth y rysâit yna.

Congratulations to Amilia Proctor Davies from Denbigh who won the bara brith competition held at our recent Open Evening and selected the correct baker.





If you would like to contribute to a Harvest collection for the Vale of Clwyd Food bank please bring any item listed below and leave in the box provided.

#### Vale of Clwyd Food Bank List

All packet and tinned food please – no fresh food

Soup	Baked Beans	Tinned beans /Lentils
Tomatoes	Tinned Vegetables especially sweetcorn	
Meat	Fish	Sauces
Fruit	Rice pudding	Cereal
Sponge pudding	Custard	
Juice / Cordials	UHT / Powdered Milk	
Tea	Coffee	Biscuits/snacks
Sugar	Rice	Couscous
Pasta	Tinned potatoes /Mash	

Our foodbank is a project founded by local churches and community groups, working together towards stopping hunger in our local area. We operate from two branches at Capel Mawr, Denbigh and at Awelon, Ruthin.

The foodbank was started in October 2012 and has gone from strength to strength thanks to tremendous local support from individuals and organisations.

Our website is [www.valeofclwyd.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.valeofclwyd.foodbank.org.uk).