



School Newsletter

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Learning to Love, loving to learn

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loving hopeful
attentive curious
faith-filled learned wise
generous prophetic grateful
eloquent discerning
intentional compassionate
truthful active



PFA AGM

FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER
7PM
SCHOOL HALL

BRING YOUR IDEAS (AND A
BOTTLE!) — EVERYONE'S WELCOME.

SOCIAL

FOLLOWING OUR MEETING, WE'LL
HEAD TO THE CHURCH INN — COME
ALONG FOR A CHAT!



*You're invited to join our PFA!
Whether you'd like to get
involved, or simply make new
friends, we'd love to see you!*

Each class will be 'tweeting' at least once a week about some of the things that they have been doing in class. You can 'follow' the school @ctkprmc Cardiff. If you haven't got access to twitter you can access the feed via the website. The website will be continually updated with dates and information. Please look for relevant information there.



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The importance of good school attendance for all learners

Regular school attendance has a positive effect on children and young people and a strong impact on learner outcomes, standards and progression. Within this, regular attendance supports the development of literacy and numeracy skills, and on the conceptual understanding needed for further study and success in the workplace. Analysis shows that examination outcomes link strongly to attendance rates, for example, where a modest increase in absence can lower outcomes. Lessons missed can mean missing key information, skills and ideas.

Good attendance also has a positive effect on emotional and physical wellbeing.

Establishing good attendance patterns from an early age is vital for social development. For example, the more time a child spends with other children in the classroom and as part of broader school-organised activities, the more chance they have of making friends, of feeling included, and of developing social skills, confidence and self-esteem. Conversely, extended absence from school is linked with behavioural and social problems. These effects can be long lasting and can affect a young person's mental health and their long-term life chances. Absences can start a negative cycle, where learners start to be absent for reasons such as bullying or not coping with school work, with prolonged absence only likely to make the situation harder to resolve. The inter-relationship between attendance and wellbeing is considered so strong that attendance is often considered a proxy measure for learner wellbeing.

Attending school also supports learners' wider development as full and rounded members of society. The Curriculum for Wales is based on four purposes that demonstrate the breadth of the academic, wellbeing and social benefits that learners gain by attending school. Because of the well-established links between attendance and attainment, wellbeing and citizenship, improving attendance has long been an important policy aim for governments, local authorities and individual schools. Internationally, the advantages of education are such that the right to a comprehensive range of education and learning opportunities is one of the seven core aims of the Welsh Government based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Our school target for attendance is 97% and we ask that all our pupils aim to achieve this target. Term time holidays cannot be authorised by the school and we ask parents if they can avoid booking holidays in term time. The improvement in attendance is not only a priority for Cardiff schools but it is a national priority set by Welsh Government. Linked to good attendance is punctuality. Pupils have a 10 minute window for arrival in the morning from 8:45am to 8:55am. Once again we would ask that all learners arrive at school on time and ready to learn.

What a great way to kick off [#cycletoschoolweek](#) Well done to all our cyclists! A great way to start the day





CHRIST THE KING
JUNIOR CLUB

HALLOWEEN
PARTY



IN THE
PARISH CENTRE

FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER

6.30 - 8.30PM



FUN, GAMES & DISCO
FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL

ADMISSION £1

SWEETS ON SALE

ALL IN YEARS 3 - 6 ARE WELCOME



BOOK YOUR PLACE

OCTOBER HALF TERM

8AM - 5PM - MONDAY - FRIDAY

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IN THE DARK, LEARN TO CYCLE AND MORE!!



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A DAY**

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TODAY!

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Next Week

Friday—PFA AGM school hall 7pm tonight 17/10/25

Sunday : Children's Liturgy : CTK 9:30am , St Paul's 9am

Monday: Netball Club 3:30-4:30pm

Friday :INSET DAY— school closed to all pupils

Scholastic Book Fair is in school Monday to Thursday next week . Please come and look at the books at the end of each day. Please note the fair will be gone on Thursday morning.

Year 6

If you have a child in year 6 you will need to apply for a place in Secondary School this autumn.

IMPORTANT - For Corpus Christi HS, you must complete 2 applications. 1 application through the Cardiff Council website and 1 application through the Corpus Christi website.

Applications are now open, the closing date is Monday 17th November. We strongly recommend that you apply for 5 different schools and that you include the school that you live nearest to. If CCHS is your preferred school, choose this as your 1st option. Please submit your applications as soon as possible to ensure your application is included in the 1st round of allocations.

Junior Club

Please note there is no junior club this evening. Next week 24th October is our Halloween Party. All in years 3-6 are welcome.

After School Rugby Club—REMINDER

After school rugby club will start again after the October half term. It will take place on Wednesdays 3.30-4.30, starting on Wednesday 5th November. There are 16 spaces on offer for Years 4, 5 and 6. Please can you email the school office if you would like your child to join. If there are over 16 applicants, children will be drawn randomly from a hat to ensure fairness. Parents have until the end of the day Thursday 23rd October to apply.

Harvest collections

As the harvest season approaches, it's a wonderful opportunity to teach our children about the importance of giving and community support.

Our local Foodbank is collecting non-perishable food items to help families in need, and your contributions can make a significant difference.

Perhaps on your next shopping trip you could encourage your children to pick out items from the shopping list below. This simple act of kindness not only helps those in need but also instils values of empathy and generosity in your children.

Let's come together this harvest time to support the Foodbank and show our children the power of community spirit.

We will be collecting for the Foodbank from
Monday 6th October to Wednesday 22nd October.

Donations will be gratefully received.

Most needed items:

Biscuits
Chocolate
Long-Life milk
Mayonnaise/ Tomato Sauce
Snacks (e.g. crisps, cereal bars, etc)
Sponge puddings
Squash
Sweets
Deodorant
Shampoo
Washing powder
Washing up liquid





This Week's Attendance

Parents are reminded that any type of absence from school must first be requested by email to Mrs Miles at christthekingprm@cardiff.gov.uk.

For safeguarding reasons any child arriving late at school must be accompanied to the KS2 playground gate and handed over to a member of staff by an adult.

If your child is unwell, a telephone absence message or email should be left before 9.30am giving the nature of the illness/reason for absence.

Class	Attendance	Minutes Late
Reception	97.24%	2 mins
Year 1	100%	2 mins
Year 2	96.67%	1 mins
Year 3	99.33%	5 mins
Year 4	95%	7 mins
Year 5	98.33%	14 mins
Year 6	97.71%	28 mins

Catholic Life of the School

[#CTKCardiffYr6](#) led a fantastic Mass this week, reflecting on Saint Francis of Assisi and his message of being stewards of the earth - taking care of nature and our environment.

[@CAFODSchools](#)



Celebrating Good Work

Nursery

Shwmae! We have loved celebrating Shwmae day this morning in nursery! We have sung lots of Welsh nursery rhymes and made our own Welsh Flags!



Reception

Reception had a wonderful walk in our local woods to celebrate the world we live in and how we should protect it . [#ctkcardiffreception](#) [#sustainability](#) @CatholicCardiff



Year 1

Maths outdoors for [#ctkcardiffy1](#) we used our number pairs to 10 knowledge, representing the numbers with natural objects. [#teamwork](#) [#counting](#) [#numberfacts](#) [#counting](#) [#amounts](#)



Year 2

CtkCardiffprmyr2 have been learning about how birds bees and bugs all depend on each other and have a special job to do [#sustainability](#)



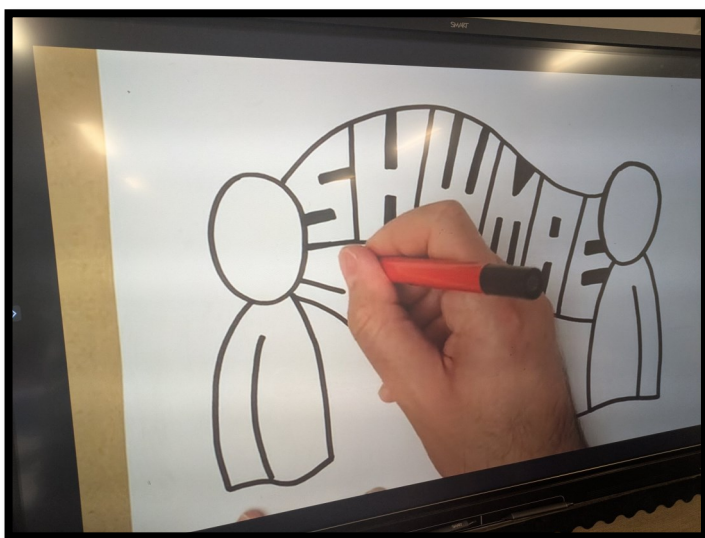
Year 3

#CtkCardiffy3 have been inspired Alma Woodsey Thomas and recreated some of her artwork. Her paintings are well known for the rhythm, colour and patterns she uses!
#BlackHistoryMonth



Year 4

#ctkcardiffy4 have been taking part in #shwmaeday activities today! We took part in a draw along for some Shwmae day art



Year 5

[#CtkCardiffy5](#) went on a maths scavenger hunt this afternoon! They went round answering different place value and addition questions. We used natural materials to display some of our answers. [@WhiteRoseEd](#)



Year 6

#CTKCardiffYr6 Today in Year 6 we combined Maths, Science & PE! We measured our heart rates before & after exercise, then used maths skills to calculate beats per minute. A brilliant way to see science in action — and get our hearts (and brains!) racing!

#STEM #maths

