



AUTUMN 1 NEWSLETTER

6.9.2023

WELCOME BACK

Welcome to the new school year. We hope that you have had a happy and safe holiday. A very warm welcome to all our new pupils and their families, we hope that they all settle quickly into school life and enjoy their time at St. John Lloyd. Please remember that school starts at **8.55am**, and ensure that your child is on time, so that lessons can commence promptly at 9am after registration.

Addresses/Telephone Numbers

Please remember to inform school if you have changed your address and/or mobile number in order to update our teacher2parent messaging system.

Attendance & Holidays

Welsh Government have issued a school attendance target to all school at **95%**. Over the last few years, the school's overall attendance has been around 91%. 2023-24 will see an attendance drive that will closely monitor all pupil's attendance.

The Local Authority have now released the following criteria on the issuing of fixed penalty fines (FPN);

- Where there is a minimum of 10 unauthorised sessions (5 school days) over the school year (these do not need to be consecutive)
- Pupils persistently arriving after the close of the registration period and marked with a U i.e. more than 10 sessions in the current term
- A period of 10 unauthorised sessions (5 school days) from school due to a holiday that was not authorised by school where attendance was below 92% the previous calendar year.

Dinners

Dinners must be ordered for all pupils on the **Sunday** prior to the start of the school week via **PARENT PAY**. We cannot order any dinners on your behalf. All pupils in **Rec -> Y3** are currently entitled to a free school meal.

Class Masses

The following masses have been arranged for this half term. Mass will be celebrated in **St. John Lloyd RC Church @ 9:30am**. All are welcome.

Date	Year Group
28.9.23	Y5/6 Mr Sheehan
5.10.23	Y4/5 Miss Samuel
12.10.23	Y3 Mrs Lewis/Johnson & Y5/6 Mr Henderson
26.10.23	End of Term Mass

Baptism Sacramental Programme

Preparation classes for the sacrament of Baptism (children under 7 years) will begin on Wednesday 20th & 27th September at 6pm in Blessed Sacrament Church hall. Please contact Sr Marie or Fr Brian for more information.

Walking home from school

After a review of the current school site, its proximity to roads and the administering of the local authority run 'street safety' lessons in Y6, pupils of **Y6 age only** will be able to leave the class unaccompanied at the end of the school day. However, this can only be authorised with receipt of a letter from the pupil's parent/ guardian.

After School Clubs

Our programme of After School Clubs is currently being finalised and will be released next week.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation. We wish everyone a happy and successful new school year.

Chair of GB
Sr Marie de Montfort

School Attendance
90%
WG target is 95%

Parishes

St John Lloyd
- 9:30am

Blessed Sacrament
-6:30pm (Sat)

St Cadocs
5pm (Sat)
11am & 6pm (Sun)

Healthy Schools

SJL is a healthy school however Friday is a **TREAT** day

Homework

N-Y2 – Bug Club- weekly reading/ My Maths/ Seesaw
Y3-Y6- Spelling / Bug Club/ My Maths

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