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From the Headteachers

Happy St David's Day Monday 1st March to all the children in St David's House.



Book Week

Next Thursday, 4th March is World Book Day. Usually, this results in one of our favourite days of the year with the school taken over by hordes of Harry Potters, fairy tale characters and superheroes (amongst others) when the children dress up as their favourite story character.

We will be marking World Book Day with some activities in the coming week, but we have taken the decision that there will be no dressing up next week. Instead, we are deferring dressing up day until **Friday 26th March** when all the children should be in school. We think this is fairer to all the children and gives parents more time to prepare when they are not home-schooling on top of their other obligations.

Secondary Transfer

Monday 1st March is National Offer Day for our Year 6 pupils where they will find out the result of their secondary school application. If you are a Year 6 parent, you will be sent a letter today from the Co Headteachers which will provide you with more information regarding this.

Return to School

We hope you received our letter this week regarding the children's return to school on 8th March. The staff are looking forward to this, as well as the children and parents.

We will be preparing for their return next week and will update you with any updated information.

Parents Evening

We would have usually had our spring term parents evening by now. When the children return, we want to prioritise their face-to-face learning. This will involve assessing where they are in terms of their knowledge and understanding in English and Maths and key areas within the Early Years. A gap analysis will inform us of the areas that need to be addressed and this will be built into the planning of future lessons. We will also be running interventions across the school to enable pupils to catch up.

Parents evening will now take place at the beginning of the summer term once this work has been done, so we can have realistic conversations about the progress of the children and next steps in their learning. We will confirm a date later in the spring term.

Merit Awards for the week ending 12th February 2021

Nursery AM	Martyna W C
Nursery F/T	Daniella A
Class 1	Dar B A
Class 2	Sophia D C
Class 3	Freya V
Class 4	Aida B K
Class 5	Lian R
Class 6	Lyvann G B
Class 7	Alicia K
Class 8	Chase S F
Class 9	Kenny O
Class 10	Samuel W
Class 11	Fionn L
Class 12	Nathan S
Class 13	Beatriz F D
Class 14	Vanessa N



Congratulations to all classes on their 100% attendance last week.



Please ensure your account is up to date, dinners are charged at £2.40 per day.

If your circumstances have changed recently and you wish to apply for free school meals, please contact the school office for the necessary application form.

Any charges outstanding, before eligibility is confirmed for free school meals, will need to be paid.



Remote Music Lessons

As we begin this half term children are continuing with their remote lessons for music. It is hoped that once we fully return to school these lessons will continue in school.

Charges have now been allocated for this half term and are available to pay on your Parentpay account.

Please be reminded that if your child no longer wishes to have lessons a six-week notice period is required to cease lessons. Charges will apply during this notice period.

Thank you.

Extended Day Care

Our Breakfast and After School Care Clubs will resume on Monday 8th March 2021.

Parents who applied on time will be notified by next Tuesday 2nd March of the outcome of their application.





Monday 1st March is St David's Day

St David is the patron saint of Wales and he is celebrated on the 1 March.

Patron saints are chosen to be special protectors or guardians over all areas of life.

To mark the day, Welsh people around the world wear one or both of Wales national emblem, a daffodil and or a leek.

We wish all our pupils in St David's House and our Welsh staff a very happy day.

St David's Day

A land of rugged mountains A land of finest slate The sound of rushing rivers Gives us cause to celebrate.

A land of ancient forests Green valleys, grazing sheep Gives the people of St David A land they wish to keep.

Follow the red dragon flag In parades led by Welsh bands Raise voices in the choirs To salute this lovely land.

For here in Wales, or far away The Welsh remember still And on St David's day with pride Wear leek or daffodil.

By Brenda Williams

If you have any concerns regarding the welfare and safety of any child at Corpus Christi School, please do not hesitate to contact one of our Safeguarding Officers. Any issue will be dealt with in the strictest confidence. Mrs J Connery, Mr R Coyle, Mrs K Smart, Mrs S Cole or Ms S Ruiz