

It's Chri-i-i-stmas !



On Tuesday and Wednesday Y4-6 parents and grandparents were treated to three fantastic performances of 'It's Chri-i-i-stmas'. The children really shone on stage, their performance was brilliant and was great way to christen our new school hall. Their enthusiasm and enjoyment was clear for all to see and hear. A huge amount of praise must go to the staff led by Mrs Jenkins who worked tirelessly to organise and rehearse this very modern re-telling of the birth of Jesus. Congratulations everyone.

Epiphany in a Shoebox



Every school holiday we invite the children to participate in a creative whole school project. This will involve working at home either alone, with a friend or a member of the family to create something linked to a title. When we return to school, all of the creative works of art will be displayed and there will be house points awarded in our first merit assembly of the half term.

The topic title for Christmas holidays is 'Epiphany in a shoebox'. This is a really good way of the children finding out about Epiphany before they return to school. I look forward to seeing your creations.

Admissions for Reception Class 2025

This year the local authority will again be handling our admissions for the Reception Class intake September 2025. Parents need to apply for a place via the Vale of Glamorgan Council Website (linked below) between 29th November 2024 and 24th January 2025. The Local Authority will then work with the school's Governing Body to allocate places according to the school's admission criteria. Offers of places will be made on April 16th 2025. It is really important that you complete the online application form within the given time period. Paper copies are available from the school office.

<https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/schools/admissions/primary/Primary-School-Admissions.aspx>

"Carols Round the Tree"

Friday 20th December

Outside Southerndown Church , 5.30pm

Please join us for carols and festive merriment around the Christmas tree, outside Southerndown Church on Friday 20th December at 5.30pm.

There will be free refreshments for all, including mulled wine, hot chocolate and plenty of sweet treats!

It should be a lovely festive community event for everyone to enjoy!

We'd suggest you wrap up warm, bring a torch and any spare change, as we will be trying to raise funds for much needed repairs to the Southerndown Church roof. Everyone is welcome! Any help or cash donations will be so gratefully received!



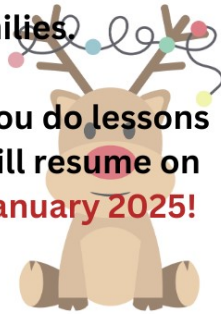
LEISURE CENTRE

Christmas Newsletter

A quick message from your local leisure centre Swim team:

We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and New Year with your families.

Don't forget, if you do lessons with us, these will resume on **Thursday 2nd January 2025!**



#BEAMATE
DON'T DRINK AND DROWN

This festive season, we are working in conjunction with the RLSS and Swim Wales to ensure you are keeping yourselves Water Smart! Please keep yourselves safe!

Swim Assessment Open Day!

Diwrnod asesu Nofio AM DDIM

Dydd Sadwrn 11 Ionawr

*Newydd i wersi nofio?
Archebwch asesiad nofio am ddim i'ch plentyn heddiw.*

Holwch yn y dderbynfa am ragor o fanylion.

FREE Swim Assessment Day

Saturday 11 January

*New to swimming lessons?
Book a free swim assessment for your child today.*

Ask at reception for more details.



Diwrnod Agored Open Day

**Dydd Sadwrn 18 Ionawr
Saturday 18 January**

And why not join us on our next open day? From free classes, gym access, bouncy castles and craft stalls - come and check out your local centre on Saturday 18th January



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Nursery & Reception Nativity



Children in the morning and afternoon Nursery came together perfectly with Reception class and treated a packed school hall to their very own rendition of the Nativity story called 'Barmy Bethlehem'

The children sang and acted fantastically, they all looked wonderful in their costumes and performed like real stars. Thanks should go to Mrs Chapman, Mrs Rogers, Miss Walker and Miss Hopkins for preparing the children so well.

Monthly Family Service at St Bridget's Church

5th January – I I am

Please bring a toy

Welsh Phrase of the Week

Nadolig Llawen a
Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

Merry Christmas

St Brides Primary School really is a special place at Christmas time, the community spirit created by the parents, staff, governors, friends association and most importantly the children is tangible and a pleasure to be a part of. The children from N-Y6 have excelled themselves in the last few weeks and are now due a well-earned break. If I don't see you in person please make sure you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing everyone back safe and well on Monday 6th January 2025 for the start of the Spring Term.

Mr Mottram