

Year 2 visit the land of the dinosaurs.



On Thursday 10th April Year 2 went on a school trip to Cardiff Museum. We went on a big school bus. In the morning, we learnt about bones and animal skin. In the hallway we saw a big woolly mammoth skeleton. We had the opportunity to pick our favourite fossil, bone or animal to draw and created our own mini museum on our table.

After lunch we had time to explore the museum exhibitions. We saw dinosaurs and volcanoes. Before coming back home on the bus we had time to run around in the park. On the way home everyone was very tired. We learnt lots and had so much fun. By Andie, Y2

School email address change

The school email address will be changing on Monday to

office@stbridesprimary.org.uk

Please can you contact us on this address going forward.

What was your child's attendance figure for the Autumn and Spring Terms?

Before Easter you should have received a letter about your child's attendance during the Autumn Term and Spring Terms, the letter also highlighted the importance of school attendance and our joint commitment to pupils.

I would like to ask you to set the highest of expectations for your child's attendance. A parent/carer has a huge impact on their child's view of school and the importance of good attendance.

When pupils attend school regularly, they are more likely to make friends, enjoy their learning, achieve better results, and increase their life chances. This is something I want for your child. As a result, **our attendance target for all children is a minimum of 97% for the year.** We understand there can be genuine reasons for absence during the school year, and this target allows for that. I will write to you termly with your child's attendance to keep you informed. We wish to provide your child with the very best opportunities to succeed and look forward to working with you and your child this year.



School Year 2024 / 2025

Term	Begin	Half Term		End
		Begin	End	
Autumn 2024	Monday 2 nd September	Monday 28 th October	Friday 1 st November	Friday 20 th December
Spring 2025	Monday 6 th January	Monday 24 th February	Friday 28 th February	Friday 11 th April
Summer 2025	Monday 28 th April	Monday 26 th May	Friday 30 th May	Monday 21 st July

INSET Days next year will be taken between 2nd – 6th June and on Monday 21st July 2025.

DYNAMOS CRICKET



This is our game.

dynamoscricquet.co.uk

Join us at:

Vale Cricket Club in Corntown CF35 5BA, for GIRLS ONLY cricket sessions, to suit ages 8-11

Session dates:

May 12th, 19th, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, July 7th

Session timings:

6pm to 7pm

Contact:

Abby O'Brien 07454 308809

PHOTO DAY

St Brides Major
CIW Primary
School

Friday 9th May



Complaints

Should you wish to make a complaint the Complaints Policy and many other school policies are found here <http://www.stbridesprimary.org.uk/policies-and-procedures/> or by visiting the 'Policies and Procedures' page of the school website.

ST BRIDGET'S FAMILY SERVICE

It's the first Sunday of the month this coming Sunday, so that means it's Family Service time. All welcome at 11am. Rev'd Emma

After School Clubs

The summer term after school clubs run by the school staff will begin during week commencing 12th May and finish on 27th June.

Parking Problems

Could all parents please make sure they park safely, considerably and respectfully around the village at pick up and drop off times. Can I encourage parents to use 'The Fox' park and walk to school from there. Please do not park across residents driveways, mount pavements or double park. This can lead to irresponsible, erratic and unsafe driving that endangers children and other road users.

No jewellery

Can I remind all parents that our school uniform policy states that jewellery is not to be worn in school. There has been an increasing number of chains, necklaces, stud earrings etc noticed by school staff recently. Please can parents work in partnership with the school on this matter as children often find it upsetting if they are asked to remove or not wear their jewellery by a staff member.



Absences in term time

If your child is off school for any reason it is the parent's responsibility to contact the school office and notify us of the reason for the absence. It is our responsibility to know our children are safe each and every day, if no contact is received from home we will try to contact you but if we cannot locate a child it is our duty to refer to children's services. We need to know about all holidays in advance, request forms are available on the school website. All holidays in term time will be unauthorised.

FUND RAISING FOR CHURCH HALL ROOF REPAIR

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday May 16th 7.30pm

St Brides Church Hall

£5 entry per person

Bring your own drinks

Snacks provided

Maximum of 6 in a team

No team? Come along and we'll find you one.



Grab Bags are back

For the remainder of the Summer term, grab bags will be on offer from the school kitchen for Y3-Y6. On fine weather days grab bags can be eaten outside on the school field and will contain a baguette, fruit and a biscuit or cake. The drink has been removed to save plastic; children should provide their own bottle and fill it from our outside water bottle filling station.

BAPTISM CLUB

Would you like to learn more about Baptism and being Baptised? Baptism is all about becoming part of God's big family and is a time of huge celebration.

Why not come along to our weekly after school Baptism classes? Join the Baptism Club on Monday 12th May at 3:30pm. Grown ups are welcome too!

Rev'd Emma



Christian Aid says Thank You

Christian Aid would like to say a huge **Thank You** to the parents and pupils in St Brides. Together we raised £1401 during Lent. This is a fantastic effort. Llongyfarchiadau



Neurodiversity drop in sessions



**CONNECT & CHAT:
NEURODIVERSITY DROP-INS**

We're hosting Fortnightly Drop-In sessions with Cardiff and the Vale's Autism Lead, Keith Ingram, covering all things Neurodiverse.

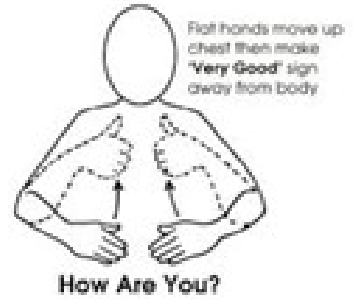
Join us for a chat, ask questions, and get advice on helping young people become more independent while learning about the support available!

Every other Monday from 12th May 2025, at 2 - 4pm

The Pod, Golau Caredig, Barry, CF627AZ

Please see above information about the Neurodiversity Drop In sessions at the POD in Barry, organised in partnership with Keith Ingram, the Autism Lead for Cardiff and the Vale. The drop-in sessions are designed for parents/carers/individuals who would like to come along and discuss any concerns and support needs

Makaton Phrase



Welsh Phrase

Sut wyt ti? – How are you?

Sal - unwell

Pryderus - Worried

Wedi blino - Tired

Ofnus - Frightened

Curriculum News

At the start of each term, each class teacher issues a termly Curriculum Newsletter to parents / carers detailing the topics to be covered for that term, useful information and important dates. These are now available on the pages section of the school website

<https://www.stbridesprimary.org.uk/class-pages/>

School Sun Hats for sale

We have small number of sun hats for sale. These hats are either bucket or baseball style, they are in keeping with the school uniform and are the preferred headwear for children looking to keep themselves protected from the sun over the summer term. They cost £5 and are available from the school office.



Nursery Admissions September 2025

Could all parents who wish to apply for a place in the Nursery for September 2025 please make sure their Admission forms are in school by 9th June. We will allocate the places ASAP thereafter. If your child is already in the Nursery you do not need to re-apply for a place for September. Your child is eligible for a place in the school Nursery the term after their 3rd birthday.

Mr Mottram