

Friday 23rd January 2026

Newsletter

Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Friends,



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And on the Alternative Experience...



Dol y Moch Adventures



Thank you to the staff who organised these fantastic opportunities and gave up their weekend!

This half term our pupils are learning to be **curious** about everything; and **active** in their engagement with the world, changing what they can for the better.

First Holy Communion 2026

Enrolment Mass
 9.30am Sunday 1st February

If your child is in Year 3 or above, a baptised Catholic and you would like them to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, you are invited to attend Mass on **Sunday 1st February** at 9.30am to enrol them in the preparation programme.

First Communion Enrolment



If you have any questions or are interested but unable to attend, please speak to Mrs MacDonald. Please also speak to Mrs MacDonald if you would like to have your child baptised.

After School Clubs

- Breakfast Club: 7.45am - 8.45am £2 including breakfast
- Staylate: 3 - 5.30pm £5 including a snack



After School Clubs are from 3-4pm, cost £2 per session (unless indicated otherwise) and must be booked and paid for in advance (before 12pm on the day please).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Activities - Cookery - Y6 Maths IT - Boys' Football (Y5/6)	- Activities - Multi-sports (Y1/2) - Martial Arts (KS2) - Netball (KS2)	- Activities - Computers - Basketball/multi sports (Y2+) - Girls' Football (Y5/6) - Eritrean Club 4.15pm—5.30pm AC Academy	- Activities - Boys' Football KS2 - Musical Theatre - Mini Vinnies	- Activities - Hockey (Y5/6) - Gymnastics / acro dance

This month, we are remembering to be thoughtful.



Spring Term PE Days

Pupils wear their PE kit to school on PE days - black shorts/ joggers, white polo shirt and school jumper. Please supply a change of trainers (old ones) for tag rugby sessions as it can be muddy on the field!

Year 1/2	Monday: Mrs Collins' and Miss Doherty's Classes Tuesday: Mr Leybourne's
Year 3/4	Wednesdays (Year 4 also need to bring their swimming kit)
Year 5/6	Tuesday and Friday

PE KIT REMINDER



Looking forward...

Tuesday 27th January	KSI Chinese Dance experience
Thursday 29th January	Football v St Osburg's (Away)
Sunday 1st February	9.30am Enrolment Mass for First Holy Communion Preparation Programme
Monday 2nd February	National Mental Health Week National Storytelling Week
Wednesday 4th February	Y5 Taskmaster



Have a lovely weekend!

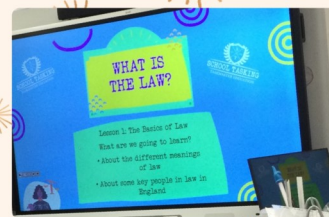
Pauline MacDonald
Head Teacher

Model-making
with
Creaturama.

Year 5
Taskmaster
challenges!



Another busy
week at SMSB!



Learning about
having kind hands
in Nursery.

**Please
Keep To The
Paths**