### **Ysgol Uwchradd Gatholig**

ST RICHARD GWYN

**Catholic High School** 

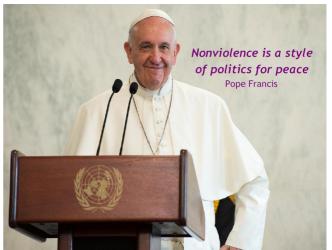
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# "Peace Sunday, January 15th. 2017"

2017 marks the 50th anniversary of World Peace Day. With his chosen theme, *Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace*, Pope Francis affirms the place of nonviolence – such as diplomacy, negotiation, and citizens' action – in preventing war and resolving conflicts. His message offers a timely opportunity for our community to explore the Catholic tradition of nonviolence which goes back to Jesus, and to develop ways to make Gospel nonviolence better known through our education programmes, as well as an effective influence on our social justice work and political choices. As a school, we teach our young people not to retaliate to situations where they feel there is conflict – due to a perceived or actual injustice or harm done to them – by turning to violence, but, rather, to dig deep, and maturely understand the gospel imperative to "turn the other cheek". We are SO proud of our students when they find the courage and wisdom to respond non-violently, which is almost all of the time, thankfully.

\*\*Mrs Rimmer\*\*

Recognising the violence in my own heart, yet trusting in the goodness and mercy of God, I seek to practice the nonviolence of Jesus: by striving for peace within myself and seeking to be a peacemaker in my daily life; by refusing to retaliate in the face of provocation and violence; by living conscientiously and simply so that I do not deprive others of the means to live; by actively resisting evil and working non violently to abolish war and the causes of war from my own heart and from the face of the earth. God, I trust in your sustaining love and believe that you will give me the grace to live out this prayer.



(Pax Christi USA, adapted)

#### Flame 2017

Flame 2017 is a fabulous youth event that will take place on Saturday 11 March at the SSE Arena, Wembley. This is a day run by young people for young people and is aimed at Year 10+. It takes the form of keynote and inspirational speakers, praise and worship, drama and music from

Matt Redman (10.000 Reasons, Bless the Lord, O my Soul). Those students who enjoyed either Flame 2 or Embrace 2015 will be keen to repeat the experience at Flame 2017. The Diocese has booked 95 tickets and we hope that many of our students would attend. (Tickets are on a first come, first served basis). The cost of the day is £35. All the essential information will be provided in the letters.



This trip to this event is organised and co-ordinated by the Diocese of Wrexham. If anyone is interested in going please see Fr Luigi, for the letters from the Diocese, for any other information on the event please contact the Diocesan Youth Worker: <a href="mailto:chrisshumphreys@hotmail.com">chrisshumphreys@hotmail.com</a> If you wish you can see the following link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oe8bgosed80">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oe8bgosed80</a>

# Swimming Award Success

#### Llwyddiannau Nofio

Mold Swimming Club had their club presentation evening on last Friday night Charlotte Davies won gold in all 10-11 year old events and gold in under13 and under 200 freestyle bringing home eight gold medals six cups two trophy and the rose bowl for Victrix Ludorum Award.

Alex Davies 8Q also won gold in all 12-13 events bringing home nine gold medals eight cups one trophy and a silver tray for the Victor Ludorum Award.

This is the 1st time Mold Swimming Club have had a brother and sister winning the Victor and Victrix Ludorum Awards together in the same year.

CONGRATULATIONS!!



#### Rugby Success ~ Llwyddiant Rygbi

RGC East (Rugbi Gogledd Cymru) have made a very positive start to the MG Plate, National Competition this season by gaining 2 wins from 2 in the first two rounds. Firstly, beating Neath School with a comprehensive 55 - 14 (h) score, before a tough re-arranged fixture last week against Newport schools winning 12 - 19 (a). RGC East are set for another tough encounter this weekend as they host Islwyn Schools, who will be looking to pick up their first win of the campaign after a couple of tough games so far. George Abbott (Yr 10) continues to play an important role in the success of the RGC East team. We wish him every success tomorrow. The game will be played at Wrexham RFC, kick off at 11.00am on Saturday the 14 January 2017.

North East Wales Cross Country, Llangollen ~ Rhedeg Traws Gwlad Gogledd Ddwyrain Cymru On Wednesday in very windy and cold conditions, five talented athletes from St Richard Gwyn represented Flintshire at the above event. Despite these conditions our athletes performed exceptionally well. Bethan Dowsett (Yr 10) was 3<sup>rd</sup>, Rheagan Edwards (Yr 9) was 2nd, Megan Woodcock (Yr 9) came 7<sup>th</sup>. Shannon Harvey and Tom Maguire (Yr 7) came 20<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> respectively, a fantastic achievement. Bethan, Rheagan and Megan will now represent North East Wales at the National Cross Country Championships in March.

# GCSE French Speaking Examinations for Year 11 Arholiadau Llafar TGAU Ffrangeg Blwyddyn 11

GCSE French Speaking Examinations for Year 11 students will take place within the next 2 weeks. Students will need to be prepared to answer questions on the topic of school for between 4 and 5 minutes. They have audio files and notes in their classwork and speaking exam exercise books to help their preparation. Extra revision sessions will take place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday until 4:30pm in T5 (19.01.17-30.01.17); please provide a note confirming that transport home has been arranged. Please speak to Miss Amos if you require any further information.

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#### Friends of St Richard Gwyn Christmas Raffle Winners

£100 Jude Perks Hamper Diana Jones

Hamper Mark

Pamper Hamper Tina Simon Wine Hamper Mrs Silvestri

Wine Mandy



St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School and Flint High School

# OPEN EVENING

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ST RICHARD GWYN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
THURSDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2017
6.00PM









# New Restaurant Menu ~ Bwydlen Bwyty Newydd

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1				
Lasagne with Garlic Bread  Vegetable Korma with Rice Week 2	Cottage Pie with Vegetables  Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Big Breakfast  Vegetable Quiche, with Side Salad & Coleslaw	Roast Dinner Vegetable Ciabatta Pizza with Coleslaw	Fish and Chips Cheese and Tomato Puff with Salad & Coleslaw
Spaghetti Bolognaise and Garlic Bread  Vegetable Calzone Pizza with Side Salad	Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice  Vegetable Moussaka with Garlic Bread	Chicken Pie, Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables Tomato and Basil Pasta with Garlic Bread	Roast Dinner  Vegetable Jambalaya	Fish and Chips  Spinach Lasagne with side Salad
Week 3	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	1
Beef Pie , Mashed Potatoes and Vegeta- bles  Cauliflower and Broc- coli Bake	Buffalo Chicken with Wedges  Vegetable Chilli Noo- dles	Crispy topped Cumberland Pie and Vegetables Creamy mushroom and Garlic Pasta Bake	Beef Stew with Dumplings Cheesy Tortilla Stack	Fish and chips  Quorn Chilli with Rice
Week 4	•		•	•
Beef Enchiladas with Coleslaw  Vegetable Curry with Rice	Hunters Chicken with Wedges  Mushroom Stroganoff with Rice	Sausage with Mashed Potatoes and Beans Quorn Cottage Pie with Vegetables	Sweet Chilli and Chicken Stir Fry  Leek and Potato Bake	Fish and Chips  Three Cheese Tuna and Pasta Bake with Garlic bread

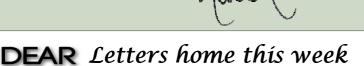
## Headteacher's Message

A very Happy New Year to all parents, carers and friends of the school. We are hoping to make this one of the best years ever! Our commitment as a Catholic High School is to bring about high standards through the consistent application of high standards. All of these driven by, and manifesting, our gospel values, as a community learning together in Christ.

I have a special message this week for all Year 10 and parents.

We are keen to secure progress for all our students and for those who are now well underway with their GCSEs in Year 10, we have arranged a MOCK EXAM WEEK. This is an important opportunity to practise for your ACTUAL GCSEs (some of which you will take this Summer) and to show that you are reaching your potential. Mock exam week for Year 10 will run from 14-17 February.

# !!BE PREPARED!!



Year 11 - Mock results and resit arrangements Mrs Rimmer & Mr Sciambarella

Friends of the School Year 11 - Prom Fayre

Mr Davies Year 11 - Passport to Prom



Year 12/13 Mock Exams 16-18 January

SRG Achievement Evening Thursday 19 January 6.00pm Governors' Standard & Performance Monday 23 January 5.30pm Governors' Personnel Tuesday 24 January 5.30pm

Year 11 Parents Evening Thursday 26 January 4.00pm 7.00pm

#### Attendance Matters!

Attendance since the start of this term is below our school target. Everyone needs to make 100% attendance a New Years resolution. Well done to Year 7 who are closest to the target overall but still a way to go for everyone! Star performers so far this term are 8M,9Q,10H, 10Q and 11F. Well done, keep up this brilliant effort. Attendance for this week 93%

Year	Н	Q	M	S	F	В	Year Group
7	96%		94%	94%	96% 🕛	96% 😈	95%
8		93%	97% —	95%	93%	90%	94%
9	90%	97% 🕛			94%	95%	94%
10	97% 🕛	97% 🕛		88%	93%	88%	93%
11	79%	93%	93%	91%	97% 🕛	93%	91%