

# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School Clydach Annual Governor's Report 2022-23



# Summer 2023

This is the full report of the Governors' Annual Report.



"Vision is seeing the masterpiece while you are mixing the paints."

We believe in a creative curriculum with literacy and numeracy at it's heart.

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School Clydach



The Governors wish to thank all connected with the school for their work during the past year. The excellent reputation enjoyed by St. Joseph's School reflects the tremendous work of all staff and the good relationship between school, parents and parish. The Governing Body thanks parents for their continued help and support.

The Chairperson of Governors also thanks the Governing Body for its support over the past year by attending meetings, formulating policies and making important decisions.





#### GOVERNING BODY

The Chairperson of Governors is Mr. P. Relf, C/O St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Pontardawe Road, Clydach, Swansea, SA6 5NX. The Clerk to the Governing Body is Mrs. M. Houston, C/O St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Pontardawe Road, Clydach, Swansea, SA6 5NX.

The Governors of the School are:

#### Name

# Category

Mr. P Relf (Chair) Mr. E. Scourfield(Vice chair) Foundation Governor Mr. A. Scannell Mrs. M. Ascensio-Cubero Mrs. Samantha Jones Mrs. C. James Mrs. J. Walker Mrs. J. Stack Mrs. D. Ryan Mrs. Kirsty Smith Mrs. Lucy Thomas Mrs

Foundation Governor Foundation Governor Foundation Governor Parent Governor Teacher Governor Support teacher Governor Headteacher Foundation Governor Foundation Governor local Council Representative

#### Term of Office Expires

October 2024 October 2024 March 2024 May 2025 May 2026 September 2023 May 2026

September 2025 November 2025 November 2026

#### The Foundation Governors are appointed by the Trustees of the Diocese of Menevia.

The L.E.A. Representative is appointed by the City and County of Swansea. Teacher, Staff and Parent Governors are elected by teaching staff, associate staff and parents respectively. They are not delegates of these groups and cannot be mandated by the groups they represent to support a particular position with which they do not agree.

The next election of Parent Governor will take place in the Summer Term 2026.

The clerk to the Governing Body is Mrs. M. Houston, C/O St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Pontardawe Road, Clydach, Swansea, SA6 5NX.

# A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR Mr. Paul Relf (Chair of Governors)

I have been very impressed seeing the excellent work of our students and staff over the past year as things are getting back to normal after the pandemic, despite so many challenges around us and a difficult time of adjustment for everyone. Another year of achievements and excellent work to be proud of.

# Mr Eugene Scourfield (Vice Chair of Governors)

It has been a pleasure to act as foundation governor and Vice Chair of Governors for this academic year. The school continues to make excellent progress, providing a warm, welcoming community environment underpinned by strong faith. The children show a high standard of work, evident in their books and the various school publications. Well done.

# THE ROLE OF THE GOVERNORS IN THE RUNNING OF THE SCHOOL

The day-to-day management of the school is the responsibility of the Headteacher. The Governors deal with admissions, decide how the budget is allocated, appoint new staff, receive reports from the Headteacher, decide how the curriculum is constructed and how the school is run. Decisions are only made after full consultation with the Headteacher, whose professional opinion is always taken into account.

### The Work of Governors

Governors' roles and responsibilities. The Governing Body has a general overall responsibility for the effective management of the school, acting within the framework set by national legislation and with due consideration to the policies of the Local Education Authority. The governors must meet regularly, at least the mandatory once a term. In effect, they meet more often in order to carry out their duties effectively. In addition to the meetings of the full body the governors also work in smaller committees.

### Committees

All these committees are required to keep abreast of current developments and the implications of new legislation. They study and evaluate documents and Committees must report to the full Governing Body, although those with delegated powers are able to make certain decisions in their own right. All committee meetings are minuted and the minutes circulated to all governors.

### Curriculum

This committee meets to debate curriculum developments in the school. All governors are linked with Curriculum Coordinators who make recommendations and offer explanations to the members of this committee. On an annual basis the governors and staff join together to evaluate the progress made (over the previous twelve months) in meeting the targets agreed in the School Development Plan. Following this discussion, the new Development Plan for the year is created.

Term

Total

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Autumn 2023	Friday 1 September	Friday 27 October	Monday 30 October	Friday 3 November
Spring 2024	Monday 8 January	Friday 9 February	Monday 12 February	Friday 16 February
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April	Friday 24 May	Monday 27 May	Friday 31 May

Green / Eco Governor

Grants Governor Looked after children Governor Governor for Health and Wellbeing More Able and Talented Governor

Mr. P. Relf Mr. P. Relf Mrs. M. Ascensio- Cubero Mrs. K. Smith

Monday 6

November

Monday 19

Monday 3 June

February

The non-confidential minutes Governors' Meetings, including committees, are available in the school office for parent/carers to read.

#### Governors' Expenses

Although it is now possible for governors to claim expenses, once again no claim has been charged to the school.

requirements, including ensuring that all Health and Safety and Safeguarding regulations are observed. This involves careful monitoring and regular site visits.

Mid-term holiday

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# School term and holiday dates 2023 / 2024

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**Term begins** 

Holiday dates and bank holidays.

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Mid-term holiday

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**Terms ends** 

Friday 22

December

Friday 22 March

Friday 19 July

Total

days

76

50

69

195

Bank holidays 29 March 2024 - Good Friday

1 April 2024 - Easter Monday

6 May 2024 - May Day

27 May 2024 - Spring Bank Holiday

Please note that this calendar is subject to any changes that may arise as a result of Welsh Government issuing a direction on term dates.

Swansea Council does not accept any liability for any losses incurred in respect of altered holiday arrangements following changes to the timetable in any direction issued by the Welsh Government.

**School Prospectus Analysis** 

Crown	Total No of Pupils	Authorised Absences		Unauthorised Absences			
Group		No of Pupils	% of Pupils	% of Sessions	No of Pupils	% of Pupils	% of Sessions
NAM	34	32	94.1	13.3	4	11.8	0.3
Reception	27	27	100.0	10.7	2	7.4	0.1
Y1	29	27	93.1	12.4	4	13.8	0.4
Y2	26	26	100.0	8.8	4	15.4	0.3
Y3	26	26	100.0	8.0	2	7.7	0.1
Y4	29	25	86.2	6.8	3	10.3	0.1
Y5	25	25	100.0	9.7	3	12.0	0.1
Y6	30	29	96.7	10.4	4	13.3	0.2
Totals	226	217	96.0	9.8	26	11.5	0.2

Period : 05/09/2022 to 14/06/2023 Reg Group - NAM + Rec. + Y1 + Y2 + Yr.3 + Y4 + Y5 + Y6

**School Prospectus Analysis** 

### **ANNUAL ATTENDANCE STATISTICS 2022 – 2023**

A number of measures have been

introduced to improve attendance- the setting up of an absence line to report absence on the first morning of absence and a text message or telephone service if no absence is recorded. Parents have received letters/ texts/ pamphlets detailing the importance of attendance for their child and to notify the school of any holidays taken during school time.

### **SAFEGUARDING/ MEDICINES**

When medicines are to be administered in school it is essential that safe procedures are established which are acceptable to appropriate school staff involved. It is essential that clear written instructions are supplied by parents when requesting that medication be administered to their child. Parents should always complete a form available from the school office giving the child's name and class, clear instructions on the dose to be administered to the child, the time to be given and for what period. Medication must be in its original packaging including the prescriber's instructions. Only the prescribed/recommended dose will be administered, this cannot be changed unless written instructions are given from a medical professional. The form should be signed by the parent or guardian and retained in the school office for reference by staff involved. In cases where the child's medical needs may be greater than those of their peers, the Headteacher may request that an individual Healthcare Plan be prepared if applicable by the school Nurse. In such cases, consultations on the Plan will include the school, health service practitioners (i.e. school nurse) and the parents/guardians. This will also clarify the extent of responsibility taken by the school. The Headteacher will be responsible for managing the administration of medicines and drugs with the agreement of named members of staff. Staff should be able to act safely and promptly in an emergency situation, as well as with the routine administration of medicines. Members of staff will be asked to volunteer to be involved in the administration of medication. Only those members of staff who have current First Aid qualifications will be required to act in an emergency. Other members of staff who are willing to dispense medicines to pupils i.e. Teaching Assistants, Class Teacher, Office staff, should be advised of the correct procedure by the Headteacher. It is the responsibility of the Headteacher to ensure that new members of staff receive appropriate training.

# **CHILD PROTECTION**

#### The school policy continues to be implemented by all staff in line with guidelines and procedures recommended by the Education Authority.

We have designated senior persons for child protection who have received appropriate training and support for this role. (Headteacher / ALNCO). We have a nominated governor responsible for child protection (Chair of Governors). Every member of staff (including temporary and supply staff and volunteers) and governing body knows the name of the designated senior person responsible for child protection and their role. All staff and Governors have been provided with training for child protection.

# FIRST AID

Mrs. C. James is our official nominated trained First Aider. All teaching assistants and Volunteers are trained first aiders.

# **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Health and safety procedures in the school are regularly reviewed and discussed termly by the Governors. There is a site walk every term with the Governors Buildings Committee and Head/ Deputy Head. There is a regular review of the school's Risk Assessments and Fire Safety Risk Assessment and Emergency Action Plan. Termly fire and evacuation drills are carried out.

# SCHOOL SECURITY

The school site is fully secure during pupil hours. Entry to the main school grounds is only possible through the main gates which has a coded entrance. All visitors are required to ring to gain entry. Entry to the main building by the main door is only possible for those in possession of a key or the code. Other visitors have to ring to gain entry. All visitors to the Early Years Block have to ring to gain entry. The main entrance to the demountable block is locked during lesson time.

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# ASSAULTS

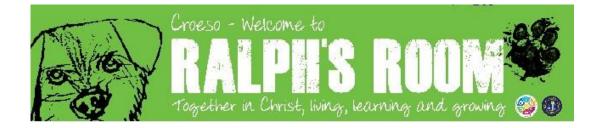
There have been no physical assaults on members of staff. There has been no theft from the school.

# VANDALISM

There was no vandalism in 2022/ 2023

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The Governors are committed to providing a safe and attractive environment for all children, staff and visitors to the school. The school toilets in the main school and Nursery/Reception building are modern by school standards but in need of updating in the main school. There is a disabled toilet in the Nursery/ Reception block. They are kept clean by using professional cleaners and materials. There is liquid soap in all the toilets. The toilets in the main block are imaginatively decorated after a competition which the School Council organized. School Council approved the toilet policy in Spring Term 2014 and asked for further improvements to the toilets which included the addition of mirrors and toilet monitors. The boys toilet in the main block was refurbished during the Summer of 2019 and the girls toilet in this block was refurbished during the Summer of 2020. We have developed a new 'nurture' room called Ralph's Room where counselling and pupils can have dedicated time with one to one programs.



#### **STAFFING**

St. Joseph's is fortunate to have a team of talented, enthusiastic and dedicated individuals who do their utmost to provide the best possible education for all our children.

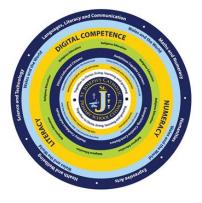
Class	Number of pupils	Teacher
Nursery Reception Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5	34 27 28 26 25 29 25	Mrs. R. Ryan Mrs. R. Weaver Miss. R. Torrance Mrs. E. Brannigan Mr. J. Reed Mrs. C. James Miss. C. Thompson
Year 6	28 Suchers have the followi	Mrs. M. Mort ng additional responsibilities:
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Name	Responsibi	lities
Mrs. J. Stack	Headteache	r eader for Expressive Arts
Mrs. M. Mort	Deputy Head Curriculum Le Able and Tak Coordinator f Curriculum Le End of KS2 Te	Iteacher eader for Foundation Phase, More

	Mrs. E. Brannigan	Curriculum Leader for Humanities FP lead and end of key stage FP assessment Mentor for Student Teachers and N.Q.T.s
	Mr. J. Reed Mrs. A. Jones/ Mrs. C. James	Curriculum Leader for Health and Wellbeing Curriculum Leader for Science and technology <b>ALNCO Manager.</b>
	Miss. R. Torrance Mrs. R. Weaver	Curriculum Leader for Science and technology DCF leader/ shadow RE Curriculum lead Curriculum Leader for Expressive Arts
	Mrs. R. Ryan Mrs. C. James	Curriculum Leader for Languages and Literacy Curriculum Leader for Expressive Arts Curriculum Leader for Maths and Numeracy <b>Key Skills Literacy and Numeracy Manager</b> Curriculum Leader for Health and Wellbeing.
Schoo	l Clerk -	Mrs. M. Houston
Teach	ing Assistants - aker	Mrs. D. McGillycuddy, Mrs. J. Walker, Mrs. H. Rowden-Cooper, Mrs. C. Hinder Mrs. C. Walsh Mrs. H. Weaver Miss. K. Rees Miss J. Davies, Miss M. Brougham Mr. P. Maddock Mrs.A.Klepczarek - Mr. C. McGillycuddy
Clean		- Mrs. J. Griffiths. Mrs. C. Griffiths
	n / Dining Hall Staff - Helpers -	Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. J. Maher, Very special thanks to those parents Who give up their precious time to help in school and on educational visits.

### CURRICULUM

At St. Joseph's we believe in a creative curriculum with literacy and numeracy at its heart. The school has adopted Cornerstones as a thematic approach. Pupils at St Joseph's study all subject areas including Religious Education, English, Mathematics, Science, I.C.T., Welsh, History, Geography, Music, Art, Design Technology, and Physical Education. Written policies exist for all curriculum areas and are regularly reviewed and developed by staff and governors. The school development plan includes specific school strategies which are also reviewed. The curriculum is subject orientated but where thematic links occur they are used to enhance learning. A particular emphasis is placed on key skills.





# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

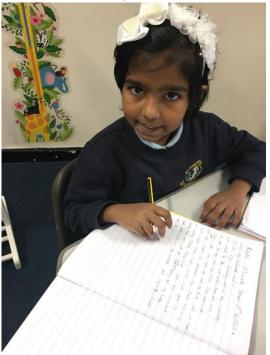
St. Joseph's is a Catholic Christian Community in which an understanding of our Beliefs and Faith is of vital importance. The 'Come and See' scheme provides a framework for all classes to follow the Programmes of Study and achieve the desired outcomes set out in the Religious Education Curriculum Directory for Catholic Schools. Daily assemblies incorporate a variety of experiences which help develop the Catholic Christian ethos of St. Joseph's. The importance of reflection, prayer, care and concern for others is actively encouraged. The school supports a range of charities and seeks to heighten awareness of global needs. In line with Diocesan policy the school has adopted the Jesuit Pupil Profile. We also practise daily meditation.



# LITERACY AND COMMUNICATION

Reading is given a high priority throughout the school. Fiction and reference materials are readily available. We also use an online product called 'Reading Eggs' which children can access at home and during lockdowns. The school's library is well stocked and class libraries provide a wide

choice of books which may be taken home. Parents are expected to share reading with their children in order to develop an interest in and a love of reading. Writing is a daily activity across all curriculum areas. Pupils are encouraged to write in a wide range of styles for a variety of audiences. Emphasis is placed on spelling, punctuation, handwriting and presentation. 'Focus on Literacy', published by Collins, strongly supports the teaching of reading and writing in Foundation Phase and Key Stage Two. A variety of visits and visitors supported pupils' work in English / Literacy.



# MATHS AND NUMERACY

The acquisition of basic skills and the use of these in a wide range of contexts continues to be our priority in Mathematics. The Abacus scheme is used and is being constantly developed through the purchase of appropriate computer software. Other items of mathematical apparatus were purchased through the year to support the scheme and aid the delivery of the Mathematics curriculum.

# **HUMANITIES**

Many aspects of History and Geography are taught through themes and topics in cornerstones. Wherever possible the local environment is used as a basis for this work and there are regular educational visits. A school museum, which is accessible to all pupils, is located in the School library. During the year there were numerous visits and visitors to support pupils' learning in these curriculum areas.

# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The school is well resourced to deliver the Science and Technology curriculum. Pupils have opportunities to develop and communicate their ideas, using a variety of tools, techniques and materials. A new science program from Cornerstones has been purchased which allows investigations across the school.

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# I.C.T.

The school has continued to develop the range of hardware and software available to pupils and teachers. The school currently leases 30 i-pads for the school. All classes from Reception to Year 6 have interactive whiteboards, digital cameras and computer microscopes. We have a number of class computers which are able to be used on a rota for all classes. The Digital Competence Framework has been implemented in the school and Miss Rebecca Torrance is the DCF leader within the school. A Digital Competence council has been set up within the school.

# LANGUAGES

Welsh is taught as a second language and is also used incidentally throughout the school. Staff expertise in speaking and teaching the language continues to increase. A focus this year has been on developing a daily slot drillio for every class. An advisory teacher for Welsh visits the school regularly. A Welsh Week and an Eisteddfod were held to celebrate St. David's Day, allowing pupils to share their Welsh cultural experiences.



# **EXPRESSIVE ARTS**

School displays reflect the high quality of art work. Knowledge of famous artists and a range of styles are cultivated. Art competitions were held on St. David's Day and at Easter to celebrate pupils' artistic ability and creativity. The school is well resourced to teach the Music curriculum. The school buys into the county music scheme and offers violin and brass lessons. Singing continues to be an important part of school life with the continued development of the School Choir under the leadership of Mrs. Weaver. All pupils participated in successful Christmas and Easter plays.

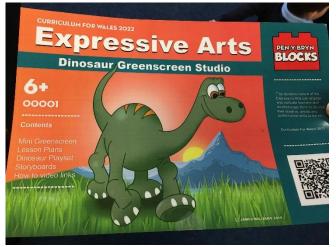
### **HEALTH AND WELL BEING**

The school aims to develop pupils' physical skills fully. There are opportunities to participate in a wide range of activities - gymnastics, dance, organised games, athletics, cross country running and outdoor adventure activities. Pupils represent the school at football, rugby, cricket, netball, short tennis, cross country and athletics. Regular fixtures are arranged with other schools.

# ALN

The school is successful in its provision for children with Additional Learning needs. There is a clear written policy which gives all staff guidance on catering for children in this category. All pupils are assessed and funds are allocated based on an annual audit taken by the City and County of Swansea. Children with Special Educational Needs are taught in mainstream classes and are either supported in class or withdrawn and catered for individually or in small groups. Progress is monitored and assessed and full consultation takes place with parents in accordance with the Special Needs Code of Practice. The consultation process also involves representatives of the Local Education Authority and other schools to which our children transfer.

The admissions procedure for children with Special Educational Needs is identical to that for all other children. The school encourages close links with parents of pupils with Special Educational Needs, who need not hesitate to contact the Headteacher should they have any concerns regarding their child's progress.



# SEX EDUCATION

The school has adopted the Diocesan Human Relationships and Sex Education Policy for Primary Schools. Ten Ten 'Live Life to the Full' resources and the new RSE guidelines and scheme have been adapted this year. Questions from children are dealt with sensitively. A health and hygiene talk with the school nurse is arranged for Year 6 pupils during the Summer term.

# HOMEWORK

Homework is given in accordance with the ages and needs of the children. The cooperation of the home is actively encouraged and greatly appreciated.

# SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform requirements are set out clearly in the School Prospectus.

### **BEHAVIOUR**

The school expects high standards of behaviour and takes great pride in all pupils' achievements, behaviour and appearance. A clear policy on behaviour has been developed and is regularly reviewed. This is available to parents on request. Parents should remember that members of staff need to be informed swiftly if pupils are concerned, worried or apprehensive about any matter relating to school. The school places an emphasis on the positive side of discipline and the Merit

Award System supports this, certificates being awarded at a special weekly assembly and a cup awarded each term to the most successful of the four house teams.

#### SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

Security arrangements for pupils, staff and school premises are continually reviewed and improvements sought. Officers of the Diocese and the Local Education Authority are consulted on any changes made and all work is carried out by contractors recommended by these representatives. Entry to the main school grounds is only possible through the main gates which have a voice entry system. Entry to the main building by the main door is only possible for those in possession of a key or the code. Other visitors have to ring to gain entry.

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#### ADMISSION OF DISABLED PUPILS

The Governing Body welcomes applications for a place at St. Joseph's from disabled pupils. The admissions procedure is identical to that for able bodied children. Ramps make wheelchair access possible to all classrooms and washroom facilities for disabled persons exist in the Early Years Block. The school has an accessibility plan which aims to improve access to the school by those with disabilities. The school's Mission Statement and Aims clearly state equality for all pupils admitted to the school.

### FRIENDS OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The work of FOSJ is greatly appreciated by all at the school. Governors and Staff wish to encourage all parents to join regular meetings and functions. The FOSJ has committed funds in the past to enhance I.C.T. in the school and to further develop the school building including the development of a staging area in the School Hall.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

There is a strong tradition of close links with the local community. Pupils regularly visit places of special interest in the locality and surrounding areas. The school is an integral part of St. Benedict's Parish and pupils attend Mass regularly. The school hosts Christmas Lunches for senior members of the parish during the Autumn Term. Pupils entertain our visitors with singing. The school has also developed School Parish Journals with the help of the local community. The school has links with the police and School Nurse who regularly visit and also with local businesses and industries. Ways to strengthen and develop these links are constantly sought.

# ADMISSIONS

All admissions are considered in accordance with the School Admissions Policy. A new admissions policy in line with Diocesan Policy has been ratified by the Governors in the Autumn Term Meeting for implementation 2024-2025.

## SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

The current School Prospectus was printed in the Spring Term 2023 and is available to all parents on request and on the website.

# **INSPECTION OF ST. JOSEPH'S**

# Summary

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School has a warm, caring and nurturing environment for pupils. This contributes significantly to pupils' strong levels of wellbeing and helps them to develop as caring, polite and considerate individuals. Parents, pupils, staff and governors contribute successfully to the strong sense of community that exists in the school.

Most pupils make good progress from their starting points and develop their literacy and information and communication technology (ICT) skills well. They develop their numeracy and Welsh language skills appropriately. Nearly all pupils have positive attitudes towards their learning and behave exceptionally well. Nearly all concentrate purposefully in lessons and persevere with their tasks.

The headteacher promotes a clear vision for the school and receives effective support from the senior leadership team and governing body. Self-evaluation processes are successful in identifying strengths and areas for development.

#### Inspection area Judgement

#### Standards Good

Wellbeing and attitudes to learning **Good** Teaching and learning experiences **Good** Care, support and guidance **Good** Leadership and management **Good** 

# The School is still awaiting the Diocesan Section 50 Report Previous report included;

St. Joseph's is a good school because:

A high degree of commitment to Catholic education is shown by the whole school Community. The very high standards of pastoral care promote wellbeing. Exceptional standards of pupil behaviour. Evidence of good teaching throughout the school. Prayer and worship being central to the life of the school.

# What are the school's prospects for improvement?

#### Good

### The school's prospects for improvement are good due to:

The school producing a very accurate, realistic Self Evaluation Report. The staff being highly committed to the distinctive nature of the school. Evidence of good teaching that can be shared with other colleagues.

The highly successful reports can also be attributed to the strong partnership that exists between governors, staff, parents and parishioners.

# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

A Number of after school clubs are usually run during the school year.

# SPORT

Sports fixtures have been limited but are slowly returning after COVID. Our curricular sport activities are wide ranging and include – Gymnastics, Dance, Football, tag rugby, quick cricket and Gaelic Football. After school provision for sport continue to be popular and well attended. Football is available for Years - 5 & 6 and greenr gym is also offered to KS1. Dance Club and Gaelic football sessions are available as an after school club too.

### <u>PDG</u>

A copy of the Pupil deprivation Grant is available on the school website

CHOOL: St Josephs RC Primary (Clydach)			
STATEMENT OF ACTUAL	EXPENDITURE 2022/23 FI	NANCIAL YEAR	
	Delegated Expenditure £	Non-Delegated Expenditure £	Total Net Expenditure £
Teachers Salaries	597,952	19,847	617,799
Salaries	254,874	18,707	273,580
Other Employee Costs	542	1,117	1,659
Premises	15,789		15,789
Transport		25,927	25,927
Supplies & Services	159,246		159,246
Recharges			0
Gross Expenditure	1,028,402	65,598	1,094,000
Grant Income	-184,437		-184,437
Other Income	-47,592		-47,592
Gross Income	-232,028	0	-232,028
Net Expenditure	796,374	65,598	861,972
		0	
RESERVES: FINAL FORMULA ALLOCAT		£	
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE		<u>796,438</u> 796,374	
TRANSFER TO / (FROM) RESERVES:		64	
OPENING BALANCE ON RE	SERVES 01/04/22	147,808	
CLOSING BALANCE ON RESERVES: 31/03/23		147,872	

# <u>SDP</u>

The School Development plan set the following priorities this year;

#### By the end of July 2024, we aim to ensure that:

**Summary of School Priorities** 

# Current Academic Year

*Resources, costs etc. for the current year can be found in the detailed priorities later in this document* 

Priority 1

Develop the 'Cynefin' and diversity of our new curriculum together as a cluster priority and creating opportunities to enrich bilingual skills through the development of translanguaging.

Rationale :

Priority 2

Embed our new maths KS2 scheme and the use of the five maths proficiencies to consolidate learning and continue to improve our maths and numeracy AoLE provision.

Rationale : Data shows maths skills are limited and need support, COVID has increased reduction of mathematical skills through teacher observation

Priority 3

Trial the implementation of the Catholic RCD in readiness for Autumn 2024 Rationale: To implement new framework and help and support pupils and staff after COVID.

Priority 4

Raise the attendance rate

Rationale : National priority and Estyn recommendation work has been completed this year but priority will need more emphasis next year.