

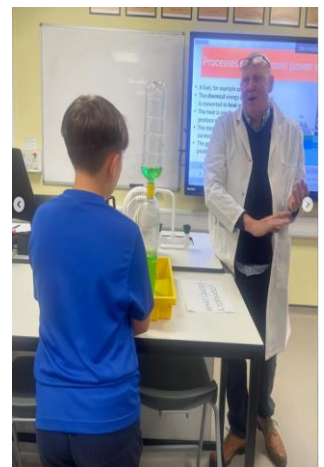
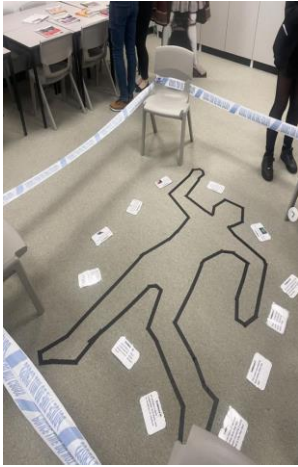
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Open Evening

It was a real delight to welcome prospective Year 7 pupils and their families to our annual Open Evening. It was lovely to see so many visitors. The comments and feedback were unanimously positive. We look forward to arranging our transition events for the summer term.



Key dates for October:

- 2nd - GCSE Geography Rivers Trip
 - 8th - Year 12 Road Safety Presentation
 - 9th - SLT Open Door Session 4pm-6pm
 - 9th - Primary Phase Parents' Evening
 - 9th - Year 13 Parents' Evening
 - 10th - Non-Uniform Mental Health Day
 - 15th - Year 3 visit to Bookish
 - 17th - Year 3 Harvest Assembly 9.30-10.30
 - 22nd - Reception Stay & Play
 - 23rd - Nursery Stay & Play
 - 23rd - Primary phase Halloween Disco
- Monday 27th to Friday 31st - Half Term
Monday 5th November - Training Day (School closed)



Value of the Month Harmony / Cytgord

Living happily with each other. Working together.
Striving for peace. Valuing for contributions of others.

Merits awarded:

19,249 merits

Sparx Maths:

605,520 questions answered correctly and
1,188 hours of personalised learning completed.



We're excited to announce the launch of Eco Lab – a brand-new club for secondary school pupils who are passionate about sustainability, creativity, and design! In Eco Lab, you'll get hands-on opportunities to design and make innovative products using recycled plastics and repurposed wood. Whether you're into eco-friendly inventions or simply want to learn how to make a difference through design, this is the place for you! Come and join us in Room 203 every Monday lunchtime with Ms Marsden and Mr Curran. Open to all secondary pupils - no experience needed. Just bring your ideas.

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Dosbarth Eliffant Parent Stay and Play



Dosbarth Eliffant invited parents and carers to the classroom to Stay and Play/Arhoswch a chwarae! Bea built a house with her mummy and Carys explored the sand and water with her nanny. Emilio showed his mummy our Cynefin board. We can't wait for the next Stay and Play.

Cymru and Beyond

Years 5 and 6 have produced superb outcomes related to their first topic of the year: 'Cymru and Beyond'. Pupils are looking at the history of our school, and comparing what it was like in the past to the present day. Dai iawn all!

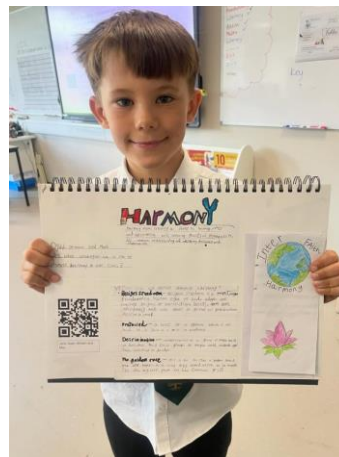


Dosbarth Pengwin



Year 2 have excelled at applying their literacy skills across the provision this week - writing tablets are a firm favourite!

Value of the month - Harmony



Pupils have enjoyed exploring our value of the month, Harmony.

They particularly enjoyed our Harmony immersion day.

Year 6



Year 6 have been building bug hotels and bird boxes in Design Technology, and have been learning about the different musical notes in music.

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Rotary Young Chef Competition

Aled and Alex took to the Market Hall Stage in a cook-off to decide who will represent our school at the next round of the Rotary Young Chef competition. It was one of the biggest crowds we have seen. On the menu was Avocado and mango dip with tortilla chips, Chicken Souvlaki, Couscous, Greek salad and Fzatziki, Thai chicken lettuce cups, and Chicken and cashew nut stir fry. The competition was judged by award winning chef, Daniel Jones of Abergwaum Hotel in Pembrokeshire. Daniel was impressed with the skill and organisational skills demonstrated by our pupils and was so taken with Aled's starter that he plans to include it on his own menu. It was a very close-fought competition, with Alex winning by one point to go on to the next round.



Awards Evening



Our Awards ceremony celebrated the success, hard work and effort of our pupils in many different aspects of their school lives. It was lovely to celebrate these successes with the pupils and their families.



Art Ambassadors

We are pleased to announce our first ever "Art Ambassadors".

The ambassadors did an amazing job along with our Senior Phase pupils, showcasing the Art department at our recent Open Evening.

Well done all.

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Trip to Paris



Years 9 - 11 pupils had a fantastic four days in Paris exploring the city, its culture and history. The pupils visited the Louvre and got to see the famous Venus de Milo and Mona Lisa. The weather was perfect for our adventure trail quest around Paris's other famous sights. Tuesday evening's visit to the top of the Montparnasse Tower was made even more special when we got to see the shimmering Eiffel Tower shining in the evening sky. We broke the trip up with a fun filled day at Parc Asterix and the trip finished with a relaxing boat trip along the river Seine, catching sight of Notre Dame. We left Paris very tired but completely won over by the charms of the city.

Health, Social and Childcare Careers Day



In conjunction with Careers Wales, we ran a Health, Social Care and Childcare Careers Day for pupils in Year 10 and above. Attending the event were a variety of career representatives including Playworkers, Nurses, Mental Health Support Staff, Chiropractor, and representatives from The University of South Wales.

Pupils had the opportunity to visit all the stands, performing different activities while talking to the staff about the variety of careers in each field. These included putting together the organs of a dummy. They also gained a better understanding of the role of mental health support, were taught Makaton and CPR, and made playdough with the Flying Start team.

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- ✓ Congratulations to Georgia who won a silver medal at the world championships in taekwondo in Glasgow in the Summer.
- ✓ Well done to Tomos on his selection to the Welsh development Ski squad, he also placed 1st in the indoor ski championships, and 1st in the outdoor championships in the under 14 age category.
- ✓ Congratulations to Isabella, Cerys, Poppy and Annabel on their selection into Welsh regional academy Netball squads.
- ✓ Congratulations to Scarlett, Seren and Louisa on their selection in to the Under 16 district Netball squads.
- ✓ Well done to Holly in her recent achievements for Abergavenny Fire cadets, she achieved full marks on her presentation, and the chairs award for exceptional leadership.
- ✓ Well done to Dylan at the British Cycling National Junior and Youth championships. Dylan achieved two silver medals in the Junior kilometre and junior Kierin. Joseph achieved a PB and raced brilliantly.
- ✓ A brilliant summer for Harrison in the Tug of War competitions. His team, Hay on Wye, won the Welsh championships and then went on to represent Wales in the world championships, where they came 5th.
- ✓ Congratulations to Beti, Isabella and Robyn on their selection into the county Under 14 Netball team.
- ✓ Congratulations to Eva, Ayla, Beti, Robyn and Isabella on their selection into the under 14 Netball district squad.
- ✓ Well done to the year 7 Rugby team who won against Rougemont in the first round of the Newport Cup, in an excellent first game of the season.
- ✓ A great first outing for all of our Cross-country runners to start the year, racing superbly in Caldicot.
- ✓ The sixth form netball team are flying in the Crickhowell social Netball league, winning 4 games from 4 and going from strength to strength.



We believe in the limitless capacity for everyone to achieve great things

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A huge congratulations to all our Senior Phase pupils who have started university this month. We wish them all the very best for the future.

Course

Mechanical Engineering with placement year
English Literature
Social Science
Theoretical Physics
Sports Journalism
Pharmacy
Sport Media
Politics and Italian
Primary Education with QTS
Professional Policing
Mathematics
Graphic Design
Aerospace Engineering
Graphic Design
Business and Management
Commercial Music
Nursing (Mental Health)
Engineering with placement
Social Sciences
Mathematics
Creative Writing & Philosophy
Film Studies
Medicine
Physics
Psychology
Nursing (Adult)
Sport Conditioning (SCRAM)
Civil Engineering
English Literature
PPE
Maths with professional placement
Occupational Therapy
Educational Psychology
Human Geography
Media Production
Sport Conditioning (SCRAM) Fnd

Institution

University of Liverpool
Cardiff Metropolitan University
Cardiff University
University of Bristol
University College Football
Cardiff University
Cardiff Metropolitan University
University of Bristol
University of Worcester
University of South Wales
University of Manchester
University of Wales Trinity St Davids
University of Liverpool
University of Wales Trinity St Davids
University of the West of England
Bath Spa University
University of Manchester
University of Sheffield
Durham University
University of Warwick
Bath Spa University
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