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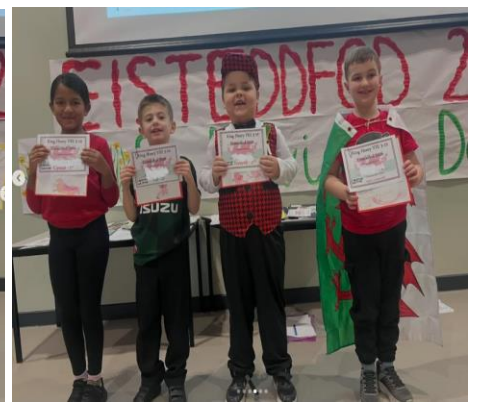
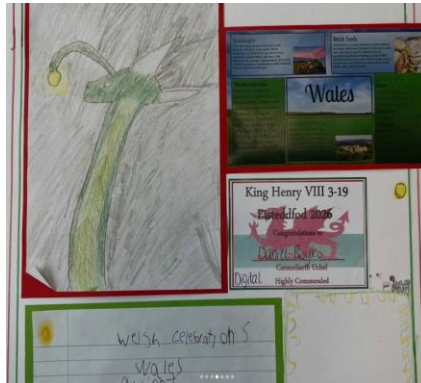
Primary Eisteddfod Day Activities

Our Eisteddfod Day was a wonderful celebration of creativity, confidence and Welsh culture. Pupils proudly shared poems, songs, artwork and performances. The standard across the phase was impressive, and it was lovely to see children supporting one another with such encouragement and pride.



Value of the Month
Equity / Ecwiti

Ensuring everyone has access to the same opportunities.



Diolch yn fawr to everyone for helping to make the event such a memorable occasion.

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

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Specialist Resource Base

The first week back after half term, pupils spent the whole week learning, exploring and celebrating Wales in the lead up to their Eisteddfod. There were many different contests pupils took part in including, a bake off, crafts, and performances. Da iawn pawb!



Easter activities

Our Nursery pupils enjoyed a delightful Easter Bonnet Parade, proudly showing off their colourful and creative bonnets. The event was made extra special with a Play and Stay session, where parents and carers were invited to join in the fun and spend time in the classroom.



A big thank you to the Friends of King Henry VIII 3-19 School who organised an "egg-citing" Easter Egg hunt and cake sale for primary pupils.

Merits awarded:
8077

Sparx Maths:
365,746 questions answered correctly, and
7,184 hours of personalised learning completed

Accelerated Reader:
Pupils have read a total of 3,769,157 words
For 25 minutes per day (pupil average) in March.

Key dates for April

15th – School Nursing Team visit
16th - Stay and Play Reception 2pm
20th - Year 4 and nurture trip to Blaenavon Iron works and Big Pit
29th –Year 7 & 8 UK Maths Challenge
4th May – Bank Holiday

Caerphilly Castle



Year 2 had a fantastic day exploring history at Caerphilly Castle. Pupils loved discovering the towers, walls and stories from the past. So many smiles and brilliant memories were made.

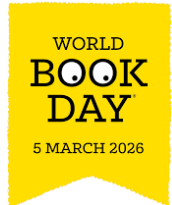
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World Book Day Celebrations

For World Book Day this year our children stepped into a world where stories come to life. The joy of reading filled our classrooms and corridors. World Book Day is more than dressing up! it's a celebration of reading, creativity, and togetherness. It's about nurturing a love of stories that inspire, teach, and spark curiosity.



- ✓ **Primary Scholastic Book Fair:-** Creating a culture of reading for pleasure is something close to our hearts at King Henry VIII 3-19 School. Our pupils, parents and carers loved browsing, buying, and burying their heads in the wonderful new books at this year's Scholastic Book Fair! There's nothing better than seeing young readers discover stories that spark their imagination. A huge thanks must go to Year 8 pupils Jess, Naomi, Lona, Toby, Iris and Niamh for their invaluable help!
- ✓ **PTA Event:-** Friends of King Henry VIII 3-19 School organised a wonderful World Book day event for our primary pupils. Activities included a craft station, games and cake for sale. Thank to everyone for their support.
- ✓ **Storytelling:-** Mr. Watson loved sharing stories with our youngest learners. Tales that sparked curiosity and fired their imaginations. A wonderful reminder of how powerful a good book can be.



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Ramadan and Lent Assembly



Reception to Year 7 pupils led a thoughtful and informative assembly reminding us why they fast, pause and pray. A beautiful celebration of community, reflection and care for others. Well done on your confident delivery which captivated the audience.

Afternoon Tea Delight for Shrimp class Parents



Shrimp class hosted a beautiful afternoon tea. It was a chance for our lovely families to have a catch up. Thank you to Shrimp class staff and pupils for organising this event.



Dosbarth 6 Rhinoseros have been exploring North and South America using maps.

Rotary Young Chef Competition

Congratulations to Alex (pictured here being awarded his certificate by the Rotary Chairman) who won the District round of the Rotary Young Chef competition. His main course was Gai Pad Mamuang - lightly fried tender pieces of chicken dusted in cornflour and turmeric, coated in a soy and oyster sauce with dried chillies, cashew nuts and fresh spring onions. Alex served this with cardamon-spiced jasmine rice. This delicious spicy dish was followed by a lemon and lime posset served with a gingernut crumb and mango mint salsa. The judges were blown away by Alex's flavours and his level of organisation and calmness when cooking. Congratulations!



'Open the Book' Assembly



Our local 'Open the Book' group provides a great opportunity to share engaging stories with the children and bring important values to life in an accessible, memorable way during Lower and Middle Phase assemblies. This term, we have learned all about the story of Moses and about Joseph and his multi coloured coat and how these stories relate to our lives today.

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Religious Studies London Trip

Forty pupils spent three days in London visiting some key religious and ethical places of interest. On the first day, they spent time at the Central Gurdwara to experience the world of Sikhism, then moved onto St. Paul's Cathedral. On the second day they visited the spectacular Hindu Temple in Neasden and in the afternoon visited the Natural History Museum. On the second evening pupils experienced a musical in the West End where they watched Back to the Future the Musical. On our final day they visited the Imperial War Museum, which included the powerful Holocaust exhibition and then finished the visit with a cruise along the Thames to witness many key landmarks of London. This was such an amazing experience.



Well done to our Year 12 & 13 Drama pupils on their amazing drama performances which they have showcased to their families.



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Crucial Crew

Year 7 had a brilliant multi-agency visit as part of the Crucial Crew programme to learn about safety. Thank you so much to RNLI, Network Rail, National Grid, Police, The British Army, South Wales Fire and Rescue, and Wales and West Utilities for their vital lessons.



Kiln

The Art department have been very excited to use their new kiln for these wonderful poppies made by Year 8 pupils!



World Down Syndrome Day

Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 7 cake sale to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day, and to raise money for the charity **21 Plus**. We raised £112.75 which is very much appreciated.



Thank you to the staff and pupils for wearing great colourful socks. Congratulations to Mrs Dmytryshyn's form 8NAD who won the competition for sending in the best photo - super creative. Well done everyone.



Golfing Success

Congratulations to Wales Golfers and our Year 11 pupil, beating Scotland 9 - 6, Netherlands 10.5 - 4.5 and Ireland 10 - 5; winning the quadrangular with a clean sweep.



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Sporting achievements

- ✓ Year 7 came third in the Southeast Wales Schools Netball tournament.
- ✓ Year 8 Netball players won the double, the team won the league finals, and the Southeast Wales Schools Netball tournament. They have been unbeaten this season and thrived in both competitions.
- ✓ Year 9 Netball players came runners up in their pool in the southeast Wales Schools Netball tournament.
- ✓ 14 Girls Rugby players were successful in their area Rugby festival, scoring several tries and enjoying their opportunity to play Rugby against schools in the local area.
- ✓ The Year 11 Rugby team have been successful in securing a place in the Newport District Plate finals.
- ✓ Miss Trew has been selected to represent Wales Over 40's in the Hockey Indoor World cup in Nottingham, congratulations and good luck.
- ✓ Georgia and Ruby have been successful in achieving a number of medals in the TAGB Welsh closed championships
- ✓ Harrison in Year 8 plays Club Rugby for a team in Cardiff outside of school. His team made it to the Cup final of the South Wales Regional Tournament, and they played the final game at Cardiff Arms Park on Sunday taking home the first prize of the cup.
- ✓ Fifty pupils supported the Cardiff Dragons in the start of their Super league campaign. Congratulations all on your great efforts

