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▶ Enterprising, creative contributors

▶ Healthy, confident individuals



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Llais y Llan

TRANSITION

It has been a privilege to welcome year 6 learners into the school for transition days. Over the last 2 years we have not been able to offer face-to-face sessions on site, so it was wonderful to see everyone and ensure that the learners felt ready to join us in September.



CYLCH MEITHRIN

Mr Meurig Jones enjoyed himself very much when he spent a lovely morning at Pencoed Cylch Meithrin. It is always encouraging to be in the company of our future Welsh learners.



UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Caitlin Meek on winning a scholarship to study Welsh at Aberystwyth University in September and for securing her place to stay at Pantycelyn Hall. We send her with our very best wishes for her time there.



APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

Obviously as we heard the terrible news about the situation in Ukraine, the learners wanted to contribute to DEC's appeal to support the people in that country. Responding to the learners' ideas, we had a day with everyone wearing blue and yellow to school and we would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who contributed. The final figure was **£1300** ~ **thank you very much!**



VIRTUAL VISIT TO YR YSGWRN

Year 9 had the unique opportunity to 'virtually visit' Yr Ysgwrn, the home of the famous poet, Hedd Wyn. This gave them a special opportunity to understand the context of the poet's life as they prepared to write his thoughts about his time fighting in the First World War.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Tomos Gibson, a year 10 learner, started cycling as part of the Duke of Edinburgh's bronze award scheme (organised by Mr Rees). He was keen to continue the training so on Saturday 7th May he was one of over 2,000 people who achieved the challenge of cycling over 100 miles from Cardiff to Tenby in a day at the annual Carten100 challenge. He cycled for 9 hours and was delighted to arrive before the Penny Farthing bike! Well done Tomos.



Congratulations also go to Cerys Coombes, year 9, for coming second in the 100m relay at the British Pool Lifesaving Championships.



POETRY

Year 9 learners had the opportunity to take part in the Welsh Language Charter session to write a piece of poetry with the Children's Poet of Wales, Cafi Wyn. Year 9 learners across Wales were involved in the activity to write a poem of hope for Ukraine.



Congratulations also go once again to Rhys Jones in year 9 who has had his third poem published in the local media. Quite an achievement for a 14-year-old learner - well done Rhys!

INNOVATION AWARDS

Congratulations to Esme Lambert for being nominated by the WJEC for the Innovation Awards 2022. Esme has designed and produced a sustainable product to grow grapes naturally and also to store the wine. Congratulations!



MATHEMATICS COMPETITION



In April, eight year 8 learners competed in the UK Mathematics Trust's Junior Maths competition. The Department of Mathematics wants to commend the following pupils for their efforts:

Ffion Hawke-Williams; Kali Tranter; Hari Coulthard; Sion Coulthard; Lauren Silverthorn-Roberts; Mari Gibson; Catrin Watts; Eleri John.

Congratulations to Ffion Hawke-Williams for winning a silver award in the competition, and to Kali Tranter and Hari Coulthard for winning bronze awards.

EISTEDDFOD YR
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A crew of our learners took the opportunity to take part in several competitions at this year's Urdd County Eisteddfod. Congratulations to you all on your performances and many thanks go to the members of staff for all the preparation

These are the results for the County Eisteddfod at the Lifelong Centre, Gartholwg (17.03.22). We are very proud of everyone who took part. Unfortunately there are no pictures this year as it was not possible to have supporters present due to Covid restrictions.

- 1st:** Nathanael Stinton – Yr 10 / Under 19 guitar solo.
- 1st:** Fraser Higginson – Yr 7-9 brass solo
- 1st:** Nathanael Stinton – Yr 10 / Under 19 solo
- 1st:** Nia Compton – Yr 10 / Under 19 male folk solo.
- 1st:** Carys Hunt & Teagan Leyshon – Yr 7-9 duet
- 1st:** Erin Stephens – Yr 10 / Under 19 female solo
- 2nd:** YGG Llangynwyd – Yr 7 - 9 Ymgom
- 2nd:** YGG Llangynwyd – Yr 7 - 9 Parti Llefaru
- 2nd:** Ava Robinson – Yr 7 - 9 female solo
- 2nd:** Lucy Evans – Yr 7 - 9 piano solo
- 3rd:** Molly Jones – Yr 7 - 9 piano solo
- 3rd:** Nia Compton – Yr 10 / Under 19 female solo

The following are competing during Whitsun in the National Urdd Eisteddfod in Denbighshire and we wish them all the very best:

- * Erin Stephens – Yr 10 / under 19 female solo
- * Nia Compton – Yr 10 / under 10 folk song
- * Nathanael Stinton – Yr 10 / under 19 male solo
- Mali Morse/Sophie Williams/Josie Gibbons – Musical Show Ensemble

CODING CLUB

The Coding club is at it again, this time preparing for the TechnoCamps robotics competition in the summer. They need to devise a unique robot that can sense its environment and send back data. Good luck Year 9



Something bothering you?



Remember that school staff are available to listen and to offer advice. The school's safeguarding team is: Mr Iwan Jones, Mrs Claire Jones, Mrs Lisa Woodrow, Mrs Non Lewis, Miss Gemma Griffiths and Mrs Lisa Lewis.



REPRESENTING WALES

We are extremely proud to be celebrating the achievements of our Welsh player, Tianna Teisar! Having Tianna as a member of fîm Llan is a privilege and a source of pride for us as a school and it has been great to follow her success in football over the past few years! Tianna joined fîm Llan in 2015 from Ysgol Cynwyd Sant and has represented (and starred!) in the school's football, rugby, cross country, athletics and netball teams - but football is her sport! Tianna has represented many football teams over the years - too many to name - but she is currently playing for the Bristol City Under 16 team and travels from Maesteg during the week to train there and travels around the country on the weekends to play against teams like Aston Villa, Manchester City and Chelsea. Tianna has had the privilege of playing for Wales under 15s for two seasons and this season, she has represented Wales under 17 in the Euro Qualifiers competition against Sweden, Italy and France. In February, Tianna was selected to play for the Wales U19 team in a friendly against Scotland and Tianna hopes to be selected again in the near future! We are always proud of any achievements of our learners within the sporting world but to represent their country is the ambition of any player / performer! Tianna is a role model for girls, footballers and all of the learners in Llangynwyd in her approach to school

It was a pleasure and a privilege to be able to take a host of YGG Llangynwyd learners to compete in the URDD national rugby 7-a-side competition at Pontcanna Fields, Cardiff for the first time since before the Covid period back in 2019. It was a brilliant week of competition from our Year 7 to 13 boys and girls. I thank all the learners for their dedication, effort and performances during this special event. We are already looking forward to the 2023 competition!!!



life, where she involves herself in everything. She is a polite and hardworking learner - on the field and in the classroom! Thank you very much Tianna for donating one of your Welsh shirts to the school for us to put on the wall so we can all take pride in your achievements.

ATHLETICS

Huge congratulations to Yr10 learner Georgia Smele on her recent athletics success. Georgia competed in the South Wales regional under15 competition, winning the gold medal in the 300m and the silver medal in the discus. Well done!



Congratulations also go to Sophie Coles and Ariana Barnard (Yr7) on their selection to represent the South Wales athletic team in the Athletics Youth Development League. Sophie competed in the high jump and the 1,200m and Ariana in the 75m sprint and the long jump.



SPORTS NEWS

RUGBY



Huge congratulations to Senior 1st XV school rugby vice-captain Dominiko Manaseitava Year 13 on winning his cap for representing the Boys Clubs of Wales Youth team set-up this season. Dom managed to earn a number of man of the match awards whilst playing for them. We must also extend our

congratulations to ex-pupil Rhys Nicholls who also won his cap.

GLAMORGAN ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the Years 8 and 9 learners who competed in the Glamorgan Valleys School competition. Huge congratulations to Mari Gibson (Yr 8) and Cerys Coombes (Yr 9) who were successful in reaching the next round to represent the Glamorgan Valleys Schools. Mari came 2nd in the final and Cerys 3rd. Well done to you all in representing the school so well.



U16 OSPREYS EAST TEAM

Huge congratulations go to 3 of our Year 11 boys, Connor Jones, Rhydian Greenhall and Iolo John, on their representation of the Ospreys East under 16s team in the recent regional rugby block of games where the boys competed against the Scarlets, the Dragons, RGC and Cardiff. Well done boys, we are very proud of you all!



BOXING

Many congratulations to Brody Hart, year 8, on becoming champion in the Welsh Schools B 40kg category!



U15 BRIDGEND SCHOOLS

Congratulations to 2 of our Year 10 boys, Finley Jones and Iwan Powell, on their consistent appearances and good performances for the Bridgend Schools Under 15s squad in their campaign as part of the prestigious Dewar Shield competition this season. Well

done boys!

WELSH JUDO

Huge congratulations to Emielia John, a Year 8 learner, on her success in the Welsh Judo competition where she won both Gold and Silver medals in her weight category. Emielia has been chosen as a member of the Welsh Judo squad for 2022. Many congratulations - extremely well done and keep at it!



STREET DANCE

Theo Churches, year 8, has competed in the SOAR street dance competition in Swansea. He came second in the U14 individual dance competition; second in the U14 intermediate category with his partner in the duo and also second in the team competition! Superb Theo, well done!

FOOTBALL

Congratulations to YGG Llangynwyd learners, Nia Morris Yr 11 and Ffion Owen Yr 12 on their victory for the Bridgend FC women's football team contributing to winning the South Wales Women's Cup in beating Tonyrefail 4 -1 in the final. Well done girls, very proud of you both.



GYMNASTICS

Congratulations to Ariana Barnard for completing her national grades in Deeside over Easter. She passed her grade with high distinction, and was placed 3rd in the vault. This is the first grade she has managed to do for 2 years due to Covid, and her first time stepping up on the national stage.

