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FROM THE HEADTEACHER'S DESK

As we welcome in the New Year pupils have returned from their Christmas Holidays full of energy and enthusiasm. We have had an exciting month in January with lots of events including year 7 on a weekend in Llangrannog. In our article this month we will revisit a story from last month regarding 'our Gower' Project.

Here is a poem written by one of the year 8 pupils, Shannon, after the visit to Llanrhidian.

*Birds chirping in the silence
Trees rattling in wind
Remains of fallen trees resting in peace
Little bugs in the ground
Boots scratching in the mud
Stuck in a deep pond of mud
Many photos taken with friends
It seemed a new life
Had popped into my life*

ROYAL AIR FORCE VISIT

Pupils from years 8 and 9 got the opportunity to meet staff from the Royal Air Force and gain an insight into the different roles available within the RAF and the science behind their selection of aircrafts ranging from drones to harrier jets!



LLANGRANNOG RESIDENTIAL

Fifty nine Year 7 pupils recently visited the Urdd Activity Centre at Llangrannog for an exciting, activity packed weekend. The most popular activities were the high rope course and the climbing walls where many pupils conquered their fears to complete the course with the help and support of their classmates. It was lovely to see such a sense of camaraderie amongst our pupils. The skiing and tobogganing activities were equally popular! They loved racing down the toboggan run and getting as wet and muddy as possible!

On an educational level the visit gave the pupils the opportunity to hear Welsh being spoken outside the classroom situation and to use their language skills in practical situations. It was lovely to see pupils pushing themselves to use the Welsh language wherever and whenever possible throughout the weekend, and to watch their confidence grow.

Da iawn pawb - Bendigedig! A wonderful weekend was had by all.



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Article of
the Month

The Right to be the best that you can

HEALTHY INITIATIVE

In January the 'Healthy Living' group promoted activities to help advise pupils on appropriate diet and exercise. Pupils have been involved in a skipping challenge, where some staff also involved became rather competitive! Also a 'Fairtrade banana relay' in which pupils learnt about the importance of Fairtrade and had fun competing in a relay team with the prize of eating the banana at the end of the race.

Incorporated into our 'healthy January' we held a 'Veg Power' campaign in which pupils were encouraged during lunch and break time to eat more vegetables.

PE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Greatful thanks to both Spencer Bennett from Gorilla 19 Construction and Justin John from Total Doors for their donation towards new school athletics vests. Pupils will benefit greatly during cross country and athletics events.



After a long application process we are now very excited to announce that we were successful in achieving Big Lottery Funding for the sum of £9,464 which will now be used towards the installation of a new outdoor gym. If all goes well, the gym will be installed on the old basketball courts on the school site by the end of March 2018.

SAFER INTERNET DAY

We have been running the Safer Internet Day competition where pupils have the opportunity to create something that illustrates how being online makes them feel.

The overall winner, Robert Frew, will received a £40 amazon voucher and also be submitted to the National Safer Internet Day competition along with runners up for another chance of winning!

Da iawn pawb!

Safer Internet Day 2018



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