For the pupils, by the pupils

NEW YEAR—NEW START!

We interviewed the headmaster Mr Jones about the new year of Gowerton.

Here’s how it went.

Do you think the new year seven was as good as the last?
I think all of the year sevens are equally wonderful.

Do you think it’s good people here are getting active?
I think staying active is very important and it’s great people are staying active.

Your opinions on the clubs this year?
I think the clubs are wonderful, actually the school council nominee’s will have there names taken in on the first of October.

What got you into teaching?
A desire to make sure that children have a better education than myself.

Why did you come to this school?
I came to this school because it has an excellent rep and performance.

What is it like being a head teacher?
Hard work but it is very rewarding.

Why did you decide to ban mobile phones in school?
It is important for pupils to focus on their work and not on their phones.

Send your questions in for next Interview via hwb to ZaireR@hwbcymru.net

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SHOULD PHONES BE BANNED IN SCHOOL?

No

Within Gowerton school we have seen a massive change in the lifestyle of pupils, we were given a massive amount of freedom as we were allowed access to our own mobile phones back in 2016, but 2017 took a turn as something that was used frequently on the daily was quickly taken away.

To start this argument, I would like to talk about the hypocrites that are the teachers! It is clear to any student that there are double standards between teachers and students; setting a good example is the first thing somebody must enforce to get respect. But although they say they are setting a good example, they seem to forget to show their actions physically. School uniform is an example of this (as in, teachers can freely express themselves using their clothes, but students are condemned to be clones of each other.) This is the same with the phone ban I feel as if teachers should not be allowed the freedom of their mobile phones if students can’t even be seen with one in their hand without getting a detention. This is the definition if a double standard.

I think that mobile phones would be an amazing asset to the school community if they would be allowed in detention. Detention is really a pointless form of control; the only purpose is to make the child suffer with boredom consequently for their actions. But what if detention had a new meaning, having your mobile phone could give students a reason to be there. I think they could use their phones for educational sources to help them develop both I.C.T skills but keep them thinking!

As schools to suffer financially with budget cuts I feel, using your mobile phone as a substitute for computers (chrome books) would help save more money and give students a new form of responsibility!

To conclude this argument, I would like to say that mobile phones should not be banned because they help kids with their education. More so, because the world is becoming more engrossed in technology it would help with their future.

Article written by Evie Davies.
Sources- https://kwikboost.com/7-reasons-students-allowed-use-cell-phones-school/
Have you ever heard of global warming? If you have; well now it’s greatly forming. From reduction of snow cover and sea ice, To desertification which is not at all nice! How does this happen? Solar radiation enters Earth’s atmosphere, Some energy is absorbed by the Earth while the rest reflects into Space -mere, Some is reflected back to Earth; Global warming- O DEAR!!! How can we stop this? By recycling stuff so it’s not going to the oceanic abyss, Use solar panels to create electricity, Which makes more facility. Now we know how to stop this, Let’s turn Global warming into an abyss!
Ever wondered how some of the latest technology works? Then worry no more! In this article, I will be telling you about one of the latest iPhone the iPhone X!

**iPhone X**

This iPhone is the latest one out. It was brought to us by Apple earlier this year. Here is some information.

(Written by Grace Treseder (Year 8))

### Fact 1
Costs £999 - £1149

### Fact 2
It only takes 30 minutes to get 50% charge

### Fact 3
It has wireless charging

### Fact 4
It has facial recognition

### Fact 5
It has facial muscle movements

### Fact 6
It only weighs 174g

### Fact 7
It has a 12mp camera

### Fact 8
It has glass on the front and the back

### Fact 9
You pronounce it ‘10’ not ‘x’

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A man shot his wife, and then held her underwater for 5 minutes. A little later, they enjoyed a wonderful dinner together. How is this possible?

In an abandoned house, where no one can get in, 10 fish are in a tank. 2 die, 3 swim away. How many fish are left in the tank?

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