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Rossllyn Park NSS 2022



Wisbech Grammar School, a very close game which we lost by 2 conversions. We then had one more game against Bohunt School which we won 55-5. Overall our day proved neither great or bad in terms of our playing though we had a fantastic day as a team and both Mrs Balfry and Miss Bell enjoyed the sun and the ice-creams. We were very lucky to be able to go and hope to go again next year and maybe even make it to the finals next time!

The squad certainly seemed to have had a good time and 2 wins out of 4 is no mean return with many girls in the squad playing sevens rugby for the first time ever. A baptism of fire you might say but valuable experience for the girls and a precedent set that many girls' teams can follow in the coming years as girls' rugby continues to grow. Da iawn ferched

The Rossllyn Park National Schools' Sevens Tournament is a massive festival of competitive rugby. A competition that Bryn Celynnog's boys' teams have attended over the years. This year saw the first ever girls team travel to Roehampton, London for the Under 15 Girls event. The squad travelled east on Sunday afternoon to be ready for a tough day of rugby on the Monday. Anwen Nesham of Year 10 tells us all about it here.



We started the morning with a Premier Inn breakfast to get us fired up and ready for the long day ahead of us. We then got on the bus and made our way through the lovely Richmond Park later on arriving at the big destination, Rossllyn Park where all the action was happening. We parked and made our way over to the glorious pitches, we found a lovely spot in the sunshine where we decided to camp for the day. We then warmed up and got ready for are first game which we lost to Ivy Bridge with the score being 15-10, which was not the best start to the day though it only got us more fired up for are second game. We played Wootton Bassett academy and won 25-10. We then played





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Urdd Sevens 2022

The Urdd /WRU National Schools Sevens Competition ran this week and Pontcanna Fields in Cardiff has played host to thousands of young players from all over Wales. We were very pleased as a school to be able to field a squad in every competition from Seniors to Year 7 for both boys and girls. This is the first time we have managed this achievement. It has meant a lot of work for the PE department but it is all worth it to see the students enjoying our national game. The Head Teacher and the rest of the school also deserve a big thank you also for supporting the event by covering classes and reorganising normal school events.

So, to the rugby. The Senior team was severely depleted for various reasons but still took to the field and played some effective rugby. There were some very well organised and talented teams in our group and unfortunately the squad were winless in their four matches, however they worked tirelessly and with a great attitude.

On Tuesday Year 8 had their turn and after victory in the PSRU tournament there was some expectation. The team was well prepared and started the group stages with a win.

On Wednesday it was Year 7 who travelled to Cardiff and despite starting the day in sunshine they had to endure some horrible rain and very cold winds. The boys played very well in their group stages with four wins out of four against Dyffryn Amman, Cathays, Cwm Rymni-Gwyndy and Cas Gwent Schools. The whole squad had to battle through the trying conditions but rose to the challenge.

In their cup pool of three they faced two other teams who had



won their groups but once more they triumphed with really gritty and determined performances. The quarter final saw Glantaf as opponents, this proved a bridge too far for the boys and they bowed out of the tournament after battling hard all day. A great achievement reaching the top 8 from 60 schools in Wales. Da iawn Fechgyn.

Year 9 on Thursday emulated Year 7 in the group stages with four wins out of four and some sparkling rugby to boot. The cup pool of three proved daunting though as the boys came under a lot of pressure from Ystylafera and from Whitchurch High. The squad exited at that point after losing the two games but should be proud of their achievement on the day.

Year 11 suffered an injury crisis before their day of sevens with three first choice players out of contention. The squad of twelve battled hard all day and won 2 and lost 2 in their group matches. A very well organised Newbridge team were the class Act of that group. The Plate group saw Bryn face Bryngwyn School, Llanelli first up and a tough encounter saw the boys in black edge it by one score. A place in the quarter finals beckoned and St Cenydd school stood in the way. Bryn were suffering a few injuries by this stage and despite being the better team and taking the lead several times they conceded very soft tries to ultimately lose the game with the last play of the match. A great effort once more showing that Bryn Celynnog has competitive teams throughout the age range.

Well done to all the boys who represented the school with passion and pride.



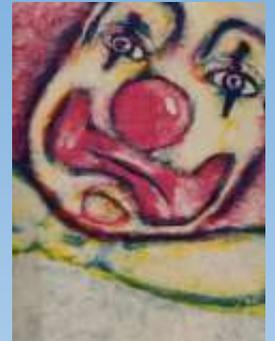


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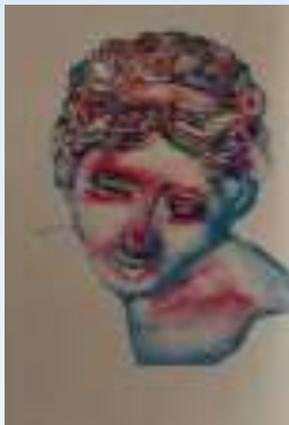
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Bryn's Artists



Congratulations to the year 11 GCSE artists, they are on the final stretch to completing their GCSE art qualification and produced some fantastic artwork on the Printmaking Day. The art department are proud of your achievements through difficult times and will miss teaching you all. Here are some excellent examples of the 3 colour subtractive mono prints produced using a traditional printing press, this is a high end skill usually kept for A level students or for University. Da lawn





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Art Packs for Wellbeing

Well-Being Art Packs

Wow! We all have a cool art pack to use to express ourselves, we can paint flowers, animals, landscapes anything we want during the Easter break. We are so pleased with the packs; we love relaxing and drawing as well as listening to music and going outside with friends, we cannot wait to use them and get creative. Hope you all enjoy using them and a massive thank you from year 7 and 8 students. Thank you!

All Year 7 and 8 students at Bryn Celynnog Comprehensive school have received a free well-being art pack! The art packs contain one glue stick, one size 6 paintbrush, one HB pencil and one 2B pencil a 0.4 fine liner, one sharpener, one rubber, one set of watercolour paints and one cartridge sketchbook. The art packs are something to keep you entertained and busy throughout the Easter Holidays. If you like arts and crafts this pack is for



having fun, so get creative to test your imagination and spend some wholesome time with the family. There are so many things to draw, paint and sketch!

By Imogen Hurley, Noah Jones, Samuel Humphreys and Tilly Mertens. Year 7



you. The possibilities are almost endless with 13 different watercolours you could paint a wonderful image into the book provided. Overall, these art packs are an effective way of





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Welsh National Schools Dance Championships

On the 23rd of March, we took fifteen Year 7 street dancers to a National Competition in Cardiff. Considering some of these girls had only started dancing properly this year, and some of the schools had clearly added dance to their curriculums, our 'Celynnog Krew' were brilliant!

We have to say a big thank you to Shannon who has come to Bryn, week after week, to teach and inspire the girls involved in Mr Williams' engagement programme. Shannon's expertise and skill has led to a piece of fantastic choreography that the girls performed for hundreds of people in the dance competition. Although we are probably biased, our tunes were clearly the best with an infusion of classics such as Earth, Wind & Fire's 'Let's Groove,' Technotronic's 'Pump up the Jam,' Kriss Kross' 'Jump' and Run DMC's 'It's Tricky.'

For just £10, our girls took part in four dance masterclasses, led by experts in their fields. They tried out different styles of dance from hip-hop, street, contemporary and waacking. Some schools brought more than one team with students as old as 16. So, it could feel a little intimidating for our 11 and 12 year olds to get up on the dance floor and have a go. That is why Miss Ferguson and I, plus the lovely parents who joined us, were so proud of the girls.

The main point of the day was to take place in the dance competitions. There were several different categories,



and it was nice for the girls to watch diverse performances. The 'Celynnog Krew' were in the biggest category: Junior Street Dance. As another school wasn't ready to go on, our girls were the first up to perform. They looked like a proper crew in their matching black and red outfits, topped with signature baseball hats. When the music started, they settled into their positions and the adrenaline kicked in. They were in sync throughout and absolutely smashed the performance. Miss Ferguson was fan-girling from the front, cheering and taking snaps like the paparazzi.

Although we did not come home with a trophy, the girls were given medals and certificates and congratulated for their participation. They were the pride of Bryn Celynnog.



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Junior NBA Welsh Basketball Tournament

The Year 8 basketball team travelled to Cardiff Met on Tuesday March 22nd with both nerves and excitement. They represented, not only Bryn Celynnog during the Junior NBA tournament, but also the Atlanta Hawks. The team felt the pressure as they knew scouts were watching and the finals were lurking... The team started hard and fast and put immense pressure on the opposition, lay-ups went in and their amazing efforts began to pay off. A clean, successful performance resulted in a win, and the team started to become excited for their next games. The second game was a nail biter from start to finish. It was point for point throughout the whole game and everyone was on the edge of their seats. Within the final seconds of the game the opposition secured a final basket to edge the win. The teams morale slowly began to drop as the pressure of the finals



was looming over them. However, they managed to pick themselves up, work as a team, dig deep and finished with a win. Unfortunately, the team didn't manage to get through to the finals, despite beating the team that did get through. However, the light shone down on them once more, when Faith Hycia-Kempster managed to receive the female Most Valuable Player of the tournament. Congratulations to Faith.



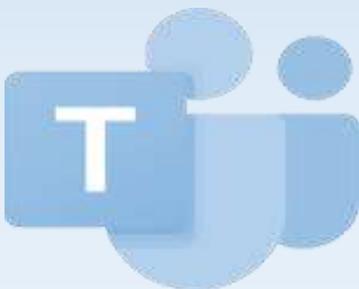


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All pupils at Bryn Celynnog have access to the latest Microsoft Office applications as well as other cloud-based services. Microsoft Office 365 is your Office in the cloud! It will allow you to create, collaborate, edit, communicate and save school work as well as homework on your online space.

You will be able to access work on a range of devices, including PCs, laptops, tablets and smart phones. Microsoft 365 can be accessed at home, in school or on the go, provided you have an internet connection. Students can access their 365 account with their school email via the link on the Bryn Celynnog Home page. [Login Web Page](#)



All students have been invited to a Microsoft Team for each of their subject areas. Teams is used primarily as a communication channel but will also house learning resources and allow teachers to set assignments and homework.



Forms you can use to answer your homework quizzes and receive instant feedback. Develop surveys and quizzes of your own and share with your peers and teachers.

Student email format:

username@bryncelynnog.org.uk

Password is the same as the password used to access the school network.

For help accessing your 365 account please select the link [O365 Help](#)

Or contact Mrs K Stock at Kate.stock@bryncelynnog.org.uk if you have any further queries regarding Office 365.

Parental consent is required for students to access and use 365 applications.

Please do not forget to complete, sign and hand in a consent form to your form tutor or Mrs Stock.



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ClassCharts

Pupil Accounts

Pupils have been given access to their own account, which they will be able to log into via a computer/mobile phone app or by speaking with their Form Tutor.

Once a pupil has logged into their account they will be able to see their behaviour points and have access to the Reward Store, where they can purchase rewards online with the positive points they have collected.

Rewards Store

Rewards are an acknowledgement of pupils' hard work and effort both in the classroom and around the school. There is a constant expectation that all pupils will be praised and rewarded. Pupils will be notified when they receive positive points by their classroom teacher and can monitor their score via the ClassCharts website or App. Positive points also link directly to the Rewards Store in ClassCharts. Pupils can purchase their chosen item from the app and collect it in school. The current list of available items is listed in the Rewards Store.

Parent Account

Every child has a unique access code, please use this code to create an account by going to the website below:

<https://www.classcharts.com/parent/login>

or alternatively you can search your app store to download the ClassCharts app free of charge. Once on the ClassCharts website/app we advise that you listen to the short tutorial to assist you in logging in. If you have more than one child at Bryn Celynnog you can use the plus sign in the top right hand corner with the additional access codes you have received.

If you have any queries please contact Miss Jacobs on

Hayley.Jacobs@bryncelynnog.org.uk



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ClassCharts Behaviour Management

We have a very clear behaviour management system in place, which your child should already be aware of. Members of staff follow this system to deal with poor behaviour in lessons to ensure effective learning is able to take place. A range of consequences and sanctions are in place for pupils who do not uphold our simple and achievable expectations:

- D1** - This is issued to a pupil when a member of staff has to speak to them regarding their behaviour in lesson. The pupil is told that they are now on a D1.
- D2** - This is issued when a pupil has been moved to a new seat due to persistent poor behaviour. This is the second time a teacher has had to speak to a pupil during the lesson.
- D3** - This is issued when a pupil has had to be spoken to for the third time about their behaviour. This may be issued if a pupil is consistently disrupting the class/not following instructions or continued poor behaviour. When a D3 is issued the Head of Faculty will remove the pupil from the lesson.
- D4** - Pupils who proceed through sanctions D1 – D3 and fail with the Head of Faculty intervention are sent to the D4L room and issued a D4.

Removal to Discipline for Learning (D4L) room will be immediate for:-

- Serious behaviour out of lessons
- Verbal abuse
- Behaviour towards others which is considered dangerous
- Damage to, or theft of, school property or that of others.



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Extra Curricular Activities

We now seem to be enjoying a relatively stable time though Covid-19 is still with us. As we move toward a fuller provision here at Bryn Celynnog we are very pleased to be able to publish a timetable of extra-curricular activities that our students can enjoy under the current set of regulations.

Be assured that all our activities are carried out in line with the Welsh Assembly guidelines and follow the National Governing Body regulations also. We are committed to providing safe and exciting opportunities for our students whenever we can and look forward to the times when we can once again operate without restrictions.

Day	After school 3 -4:15pm	Staff	Venue
Monday	Year 7 Netball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Sports Hall
	Year 7 Football	Mr S Mines & Mr Waters	3G Pitch
Tuesday	Year 7 Rugby	Mr J Stock & Mr Howells	3G Pitch/Field
	Year 8 Netball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Sports Hall
	Year 8 Football	Mr S Mines	3G Pitch
Wednesday	Computer Science	Mrs K Stock	M13
	Year 7 Basketball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Sports Hall
	Year 7 & 8 Girls Rugby	Mr Gallagher	Field
	Year 9 Football	Mr S Mines	3G Pitch
Thursday	Senior Rugby	Mr J Stock	Field
	Year 7 & 8 Girls Football	Mr Varrall	3G Pitch
	Year 8 Basketball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Gym
Friday	Year 8 Rugby	Mr S Mines	Field
	Year 8 Touch Rugby	Mr S Mines	Sports Hall

UP COMING EVENTS	
Date	Event
Thursday 28th April	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th May	Year 7 Parents' Evening

If you would like to contact us at Bryn This Week please email kate.stock@bryncelynnog.org.uk

