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Love our Library

We are very fortunate in Bryn Celynnog to have a great library and a highly trained and committed member of staff in Dr Barden to run it and provide a number of other vital literacy based support services as well. It is perhaps one of Bryn's best kept secrets but it is time now to celebrate this great provision.

This week, we are pleased to announce that one of our Literacy Coaches, Dr Barden, has qualified as a specialist dyslexia teacher, which will enhance the provision that Bryn Celynnog can offer pupils with reading, writing or spelling difficulties.

We thought it would be helpful to remind parents/carers of the facilities and study support available in the school library:

Homework Club runs every day in the library from 3.00–4.00pm. This is supervised by Dr Barden, who is happy support pupils with their homework. It offers a quiet working environment, with access to desktop and laptop computers.

Literacy support sessions are available for any pupil to book if they would like 1-to-1 help with literacy skills such as punctuation or spelling, or if they have any other concerns relating to literacy. Pupils are able to book a slot by asking their English teacher or popping into the library to see Dr Barden.

Weekly individual or small group coaching from Dr Barden or Mr Cullen is offered to selected pupils who would benefit from additional support.

And, of course, pupils are welcome to borrow books! Although the library is still closed at break and lunchtime due to Covid, Year 7 pupils



have regular access during registration, and older pupils are able to borrow books after school or by browsing the online catalogue <https://bryncelynnoglibrary.librarika.com> and then sending a request to Dr Barden via Teams.

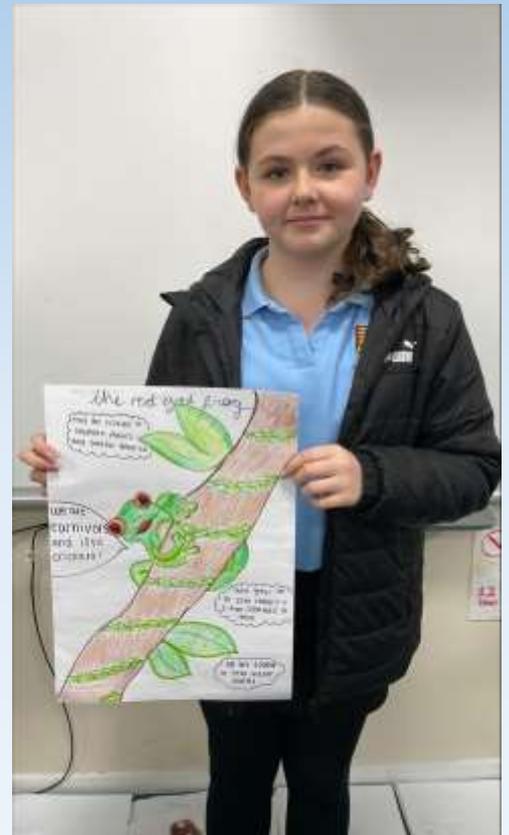
Our students said:

"I find it easier to do my homework at homework club than at home because there aren't so many distractions. And when I've finished, I can look at the books!" (Olivia, Yr 9)

"I go to homework club because the teacher helps me with my homework. There is lots of equipment available and it's also a chance to borrow books from the library." (Lola, Yr 7)

Rainforest Roadshow Preparation

Year 7 have been studying rainforests in Geography. As part of this unit we have looked at how the vegetation and insects/animals have adapted to the unique climate. Pupils were asked to choose and research one rainforest animal. They then bought materials in from home to create their piece of work. We were blown away by what they created!





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The official Rainforest Roadshow visited Bryn Celynnog this week to support the work that the pupils in Year 7 have been doing in their Geography lessons. A great day with real live rainforest creatures and a massive buzz created for the students to reinforce their learning.





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Head Team Charity Cake Sale Bonanza

On Friday 8th April, we as a head team ran a cake sale to raise money for Save the Children. This event was highly anticipated for us because it was the first event we have been able to hold due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

In addition to the bake sale, we also had a non-school uniform day for the school, encouraging everyone to wear something red to show support for Save the Children, bolstering the money raised hugely. The day was a massive success, we sold a variety of baked goods such as brownies, cookies, and slices of cake. Originally, we believed we had purchased enough stock. To our amazement we sold out almost immediately at break time requiring a restock. We were delighted by the excellent support and generosity of pupils and staff alike. We raised a wonderful total of £711.22 and are extremely pleased with this figure for our first event.

We're looking forward to holding more events in the future!

Written by Ronan Scarlett (Deputy Head Boy)



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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

The summer term is here and we will be publishing our extra curricular time table in next weeks issue of the newsletter.

We will be running athletic clubs and attending all the area meetings to compete against other schools. We will also be running baseball and rounders clubs and we plan on adding some cricket fixtures to the provision as well. We are committed to providing safe and exciting opportunities for our students whenever we can and look forward to the times we can develop the skills and broaden the experience of our students.

| Day | After school 3 -4:15pm | Staff | Venue |
|-----------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| Monday | To Be Confirmed | | |
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| Friday | TBC | | |

| UP COMING EVENTS | |
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| Date | Event |
| Thursday 12th May | Year 7 Parents' Evening |
| Friday 20th May | Non-School Uniform Day |

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