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Sports Day 2022

Years 7,8 & 9 students enjoyed a festival of sport this week as they competed for their houses in a variety of disciplines. The standards of performance were excellent and participation levels were very good. A competitive yet supportive three days of sport were enjoyed by all the students as they contributed to their House points totals.

On Monday Year 7 took to the field in rugby, netball, basketball, football, baseball and athletics competitions. There was great enthusiasm and effort visible in every venue with several students excelling in more than one area.

Year 8 followed the same programme on Tuesday and Year 9 on Wednesday and the formula proved to be a real success. Even the weather cooperated with all the events going ahead without a drop of rain despite the forecast. There were exciting matches and great team performances on show and a special performance on the track from Cory Willicombe who set a new school record for the 100m sprint in a time of 11.68 seconds.

The newly rebranded and relaunched house system worked perfectly adding an overall team identity across the year groups.

There were awards for the top performers in each sport and an overall Victor and Victrix Ludorum award for the outstanding boy and girl across the disciplines.

In the final analysis of the Year Groups the points for each event were totalled to find the House winners.

Year 7:

1st place - Ty Bryngwyn 2nd place - Ty Bryngwyrdd
3rd place -Ty Brynmelyn 4th place- Ty Bryncoch

Year 8:

1st place -Ty Bryngwyrdd 2nd place - Ty Bryngwyn,
3rd place -Ty Bryncoch 4th place – Ty Brynmelyn

Year 9:

1st place - Ty Bryncoch 2nd place - Ty Bryngwyrdd,
3rd place - Ty Bryngwyn 4th place Ty Brynmelyn

This led to an overall result that saw:

- 1st place Ty Bryngwyrdd
- 2nd place Ty Bryncoch
- 3rd place Ty Bryngwyn
- 4th place Ty Brynmelyn

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Millie Lifts International Honours

Year 12 student Millie Lerwill represented Wales in weightlifting on Friday 17th June in Lochen am See. After an outstanding performance, lifting 52kg for the Snatch lift and 66kg for her Clean and Jerk, Millie placed 2nd overall in the Under 17 category of the International Junior Battle.

The competition was based on Sinclair totals, using a formula and athlete weight to calculate a universal score.

Well done Millie!





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Maths is Fun

This week the Mathematics Department took 13 intelligent young Mathematicians from years 8 and 9 to the “Maths is Fun!” event run by the Further Maths Support Programme (FMSP) at Swansea University. Throughout the day the pupils took part in three different workshops delivered by leading Mathematicians; Maths in the Simpsons by Theresa Hendy, Number Patterns by Stephen Earles and Maths’ Greatest Unsolved Puzzles by Katie Steckles.

Maths in the Simpsons highlighted how the comedic writers used popular equations and symbols to sneak extra jokes into the show. A favourite of ours is shown below, we challenge you to work it out!

Our second workshop encouraged pupils to look for hidden patterns within numbers and how they apply to the real world. We studied Pascal’s triangle, triangular numbers and the Fibonacci sequence and saw how they are hidden in the real world, we just need to utilise our maths skills to find them.





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Our final workshop was led by Katie Steckles, winner of BBC's game show Only Connect and guest of the TV show QI. Katie engaged our pupils with some of "Maths' Greatest Unsolved Puzzles" and some bizarre



puzzles that our pupils was able to solve. We challenge you to answer two of our questions...

1. What is the only number between 10 and 20 that is not the sum of any consecutive numbers between 1 and 9?
2. What is the greatest amount of money I can have in my pocket and not be able to give someone **exactly** £1? (Hint: You have to give away exactly £1 and you will not accept change.)



How well did you do?

Our pupils had a fantastic day engaging with these problems and more. They were wonderful advocates for our school and made us very proud. We look forward to welcoming FMSP to our school in July where they will be delivering an engaging lesson to a group of year 8 pupils.



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Year 12 Law CPS Visit

Our Year 12 Law students have this week had a visit from CPS Senior Prosecutor Lucy Beard. In this interactive session the students were able to learn all about the CPS, the structure, salaries, job roles and routes in. They also then undertook practical case studies where they had to determine whether the case would be tried or not based on the CPS Code for Prosecutors.

The students were engrossed from the off and threw themselves into the legal workings of the CPS, they questioned every piece of evidence as well as putting Lucy



through her paces before they were willing to give their judgements.

It was wonderful to see the interest the group had in the activity and also the drive and ambition a lot of them showed with regards to pursuing a legal career in the future. As always Lucy provided an excellent session which really gave our students a candid look into the life and work of a Senior Prosecutor. The class will now look forward to hopefully being allowed to visit Cardiff Crown Court again, after a long layoff due to COVID.





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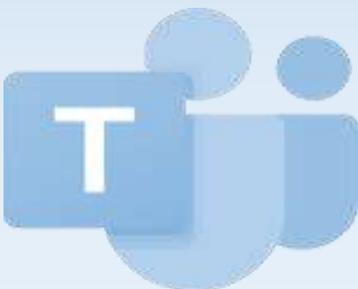
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All pupils at Bryn Celynnog have access to the latest Microsoft Office applications as well as other cloud-based services. Microsoft Office 365 is your Office in the cloud! It will allow you to create, collaborate, edit, communicate and save school 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 our extra curricular time table is available right here.

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	Athletics	EBH	Track
	All Year Groups	JS	Field
Tuesday	Tennis	BD/SM	Courts
	Girls Rugby	CB/IG	Field
	Year 7,8 & 9 Basketball	EBH	Gym
Wednesday	Rounders	SEB/EG	Field
	Baseball	SEB/IG	Field
	All Year Groups		
Thursday	Cricket	JS	Field
Friday			

UP COMING EVENTS	
Date	Event
Wednesday 13th July	Year 9 Art Workshop
Friday 22nd July	Start of the summer holidays

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

