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Books Glorious Books!

This week the Drama Workshop was transformed into a bookshop and every child in the school had the opportunity to exchange their Book Council Wales book voucher for a free book as part of the "Schools Love Reading" campaign. Thanks to Storyville Books, Pontypridd who provided a stunning selection of books for pupils to choose from. The event was a great success and it was fantastic to see pupils excitedly clutching their new books and heading back to classrooms for a read.

'I read Crater Lake in Year 4 and it was my favourite book of all time. I can't wait to read Crater Lake Evolution!' Harleigh Yr 7

'A really special experience to have such a wide variety of books to choose from. The staff were extremely helpful and knowledgeable about the books.' Amber Yr 8





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Sportsdesk: A Busy Week for Bryn

The first round of official Pontypridd School Rugby Union league matches took place this week and saw Bryn Celynnog's Year 8 and 9 teams traveling down the road to our nearest neighbours Garth Olwg.

The weather conditions were favourable and the pitches were dry for the matches and the teams were eager to get the competitive season underway. The Year 8 match kicked off and immediately Bryn Celynnog asserted themselves with some hard carrying from the back row of Evans, Parker and Turner. The ball retention was very good with Noah Burnell standing out with a great performance in the first 2 ensuring that scrum half Stallard had quality ball to deal with. Garth Olwg were stout defenders though and repelled wave after wave of attacking play. The deadlock was broken when quick ball was spread wide, which did not happen often on a narrow pitch. Rhys King was put in to a small gap with some lovely handling from centres Rees and Evans and he scorched



through the defence to score. The onslaught continued but Garth again redoubled their defensive effort. Bryn scored again in the second period and could have added further tries but were held up over the line 3 times by the hosts. The Garth team only managed one real threatening move but it was thwarted by some strong defence and a great breakout move by the visitors. The final 20 minute third saw a raft of changes as both teams brought on lots of boys who have not played a lot of rugby. The teams went about their business with enthusiasm and good discipline. Garth Olwg scored first in the last 20 but Bryn soon found their feet again and answered with 2 more tries of their own before the final whistle to take home a 28 points to 7 victory. Ardderchog fechgyn.

The Year 9 team is a talented outfit and they also started fast with dominance in all aspects of the game. Again Mr Mines was able to use a host of players in the final third and a 55 points to 10 win. 60 boys represented the school with passion, pride and good sportsmanship. A great shop window for school sport. Da iawn fechgyn.





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Sportsdesk: Girls' Sport off to a Flyer

It has been a very busy week in the PE department for the girls of Bryn Celynnog.

Tuesday and Wednesday this week saw several of our girls travel down to Y Pant for the first round of County Netball trial. 18 girls attended the trials over the two days and all did very well with some girls from Year 10 playing up a year in the Under 16 trial. Six of the Bryn Celynnog netball players stood out over the trial process and managed to get through to the next round of the U14 and U16 netball trials. All the girls demonstrated exceptional precision, timing and flare. Throughout the day the girls showed on countless occasions how dominant and effective they were on court in multiple positions. Congratulations

Huge congratulations to Emma Cross Yr11, Anwen Nesham Yr11, Emma Garwood Yr11, Erin Arnold Yr10 in the U16 group and Ellie Davies and Chloe Wren Yr9 in the U14 group. Perfformiad arbennig.

U13 Girls Match Report vs Pen-Y-Dre

The first game of the season for girls was a tough looking cup encounter on paper against a physical side. Bryn welcomed in an abundance of talent in the shape of the new year 7s for their first game of 11 aside school football representing Bryn Celynnog. This added to the year 8 girls, many of whom had not played any football before last year had brought together a strong squad (despite a few late drop outs)!

The team combined some now experienced year 8 girls across the back line with the late addition of Daisy (who had a phenomenal debut) and the flair of our new year 7 cohort supporting Emily up front. Bryn started the game with a great intensity and tempo, using the ball intelligently from kick off and pressing Pen into mistakes when they had possession. When the ball did pass the battling midfield, the defence was solid and repelled any threat of attack.

Early in the gam Bryn began to dominate possession, skilfully avoiding strong challenges to find space and create chances for a fluid front 3 who were always a threat to the opposition defence. It was not long before the attackers found

themselves in great positions and forced the goalkeeper to make a couple of saves, then came the break through, a fine pass from midfield and a composed finish from the ever-effective Emily up front. From there Bryn gained confidence and did not look back, constantly keeping the ball in the opposition half and creating and taking chances to extend their lead into the break. A few changes in personnel around half time, but that didn't affect the shape of the game. Pen continued to battle well and get themselves into some better positions going forward, however Bryn defended stoutly and Georgia (another debutant) in goal was there to save anything that came her way when chances were created. The whole team showed great resilience and strength of character (namely Holly) to keep battling through the game despite a few kicks and knocks and kept playing lovely football to create chances that simply could not be missed with some great finishes to extend the lead as the game went on. Culminating in a 7 – 0 win, which highlighted an exceptional performance by the whole team, scoring plenty of goals as well as keeping a clean sheet at the back.

Player of the match goes to Megan Woodland, who scored a Hat-trick on debut and was weaving through defenders all game from her wide position – Da lawn!

Squad: Georgia Humphreys, Sophie Russell, Megan Woodland, Holly Smith, Courtnie Prothero, Daisy Collins, Tilly Mertens, Evie Campbell, Isabel Lawry, Ellie Stephens, Emily Rees, Maisie Ward, Olivia Giles. By L Varrall





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Homework Club in the library

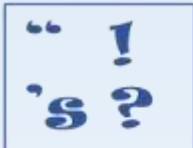
3.00 – 4.00 pm every day

All pupils welcome



Homework help

Computers, laptops
and iPads
available



Help with
punctuation

Spelling resources



Reading books
and magazines

Handwriting advice



Borrowing and
returning books

Crosswords, word
searches, colouring
and other puzzles





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Year 9 Netball at Garth Olwg

Year 9 Netball fixture V Garth Olwg Squad 2

The team put out an excellent performance against Garth Olwg on Thursday. There were outstanding passages of play in attack involving Delacey, Emily, Seren, Saffir and Charlotte. The team were creating space and moving the ball with speed. Charlotte, Seren and Seren all featured in the shooting circle and contributed to Bryn scoring 7 goals. Chantelle, Bailee, Delacey and Seren all gained interceptions and demonstrated tireless man to man defence throughout the game. The squad communicated effectively and worked together until the final whistle which resulted in a win. Congratulations to Chantelle who was named player of the match by the opposition.

Squad 1

Squad 1 were prepared and ready to go after watching squad 2 put out a brilliant performance. It was a strong first quarter which saw both teams scoring off their centre pass. Chloe and Freya were

able to deliver excellent passes into Ellie and Julia who scored with ease. Libby, Ellie and Chloe also disrupted the opposition play by getting early tips and interceptions. Garth Olwg came out strong in the second quarter and took the lead but the squad continued working hard to gain possession. Cerys entered the game and worked together with Libby, Keeley and Chloe to delay the opposition. Both teams made positional changes in the second half, however the squad continued to demonstrate fluency from defence to attack. Congratulations to Freya who was named player of the match by the opposition.



Autumn					Spring					Summer				
week commencing	Homework				week commencing	Homework				week commencing	Homework			
	Core	✓	Non-Core	✓		Core	✓	Non-Core	✓		Core	✓	Non-Core	✓
05/09/2022					09/01/2023	Science		PE		17/04/2023	English		Welsh	
12/09/2022					16/01/2023	English		Expressive Arts		24/04/2023	Mathematics		Geography	
19/09/2022	English				23/01/2023	Mathematics		Welsh		01/05/2023	Science		Technology	
26/09/2022	Mathematics		Welsh		30/01/2023	Science		Geography		08/05/2023	English		Expressive Arts	
03/10/2022	Science		Geography		06/02/2023	English		Technology		15/05/2023	Intervention Week			
10/10/2022	English		Expressive Arts		13/02/2023	Intervention Week				22/05/2023	Half Term			
17/10/2022	Mathematics		Technology		20/02/2023	Half Term				29/05/2023	Mathematics		ICT	
24/10/2022	Intervention Week				27/02/2023	Mathematics		Spanish		05/06/2023	Science		Spanish	
31/10/2022	Half Term				06/03/2023	Science		ICT		12/06/2023	English		History	
07/11/2022	Science		PE		13/03/2023	English		History		19/06/2023	Mathematics		Expressive Arts	
14/11/2022	English		ICT		20/03/2023	Mathematics		Technology		26/06/2023	Science		Technology	
21/11/2022	Mathematics		Spanish		27/03/2023	Science		Expressive Arts		03/07/2023	English		PE	
28/11/2022	Science		History		03/04/2023	Easter Holidays				10/07/2023	Intervention Week			
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19/12/2022	Intervention Week													
26/12/2022	Christmas Holidays													
02/01/2023														



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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

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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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Extra Curricular Activities

Day	After school 3 -4:15pm	Staff	Venue
Monday	Year 7 Rugby	Mr Griffith	3G
	Year 7 Netball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Sports Hall
	Year 8 Football	Mr Mines	3G
	GCSE Computer Science Club	Mrs Stock	M13
Tuesday	Year 8 Netball	Miss Birch-Hurst	Sports Hall
	Year 9 Football	Mr Varrall	3G
	Girls Rugby—All Year Groups	Mr Griffith	3g
	KS3 Gaming Club	Mr Clifford	M12
Wednesday	Year 7 Football	Mr Varrall	3G
	Year 8 football	Mr Varrall	3G
	Year 9 Rugby	Mr Mines	3G
	Basketball—All Year Group	Miss Birch– Hurst	Sports Hall
Thursday	Year 7 Football	Mr Waters	3G
	Year 8 Rugby	Mr Stock	3G
	Year 9 Netball	Miss Dyke	Sports Hall
Friday	Year 10 Netball	Miss Dyke	Sports Hall
	Year 9 Touch Rugby (Lunchtime)	Mr Mines	Sports Hall

UP COMING EVENTS

Date	Event
Thursday 6th October	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Friday 14th October	INSET Day

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

