



YSGOL GYFUN GYMRAEG  
**GLANTAF**  
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Dear Parent / Guardian,

### School Athletics

Last week we held our school athletics day at the Leckwith stadium; an exciting summer term fixture for pupils of all year groups. This year we saw hundreds of our students competing across a range of events. Thanks go to all our staff, and in particular our PE department, for their hard work to organise the day. We were also proud of our learners for their team spirit, enthusiasm and good humour on the day and congratulations to Llys Illtud on their victory!



*The tug of war at this year's athletics day.*

### Cluster INSET

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> of June we welcomed all Secondary and Primary cluster staff to an INSET at Glantaf with a focus on improving oracy skills and sharing good teaching practice. Members of staff from all schools have been collaborating throughout the academic year on curriculum design, and teaching and learning strategies.

With planning for Curriculum for Wales well underway at Glantaf, our partnership with our primary cluster is all important to ensure a cohesive learning experience for our learners. The conference was opened by former Pwll Coch and Plasmawr pupil Emily Pemberton who has contributed and led the call for increased diversity and representation within the new curriculum. We were delighted to hear of her educational journey and accept her challenge to us to celebrate all kinds of different 'Welsh identities'. *Diolch Emily*, and thanks to all the presenters for their insights. We look forward to continuing this valuable collaboration next academic year.

### Barista Workshops

Some of our year 9 learners have been completing a course with *Second Chance Coffee*, a company that specialises in offering training in coffee preparation, food hygiene and customer service. The learners completed 6 hours of training, before getting the opportunity to run a coffee shop at ION Gym in Llanishen. Many thanks to Gareth and the *Second Chance Coffee* team for their support and guidance, and a big congratulations to our learners for all their hard work.

### Year 6 transition

Thursday was a busy day as we welcomed 240 year 6 pupils to a *Sports Taster Day* at Glantaf. The year 6 pupils were welcomed back on Friday the 1st of July, to be put into their form classes for September, and enjoy a day of taster lessons across the curriculum. It was a pleasure to welcome our new students and see their excitement at this transition stage.

### Power to young people : week beg 15/8/22

This summer, the School Organisation Team in Cardiff Council is launching the '*Power to Young People: Cardiff Influencers Programme*'. This unique opportunity is designed to enable Young People aged 13-14 to become directly involved in shaping strategy and influence how the Council will invest millions of pounds in



*Mr Morris and Miss Harries presenting during our cluster INSET*

education across the city over the next 10 year. More details have been shared on our Yr 8 Google Classroom site and the application form for students is available here: [Power to Young People: Cardiff Influencers Programme 2022 \(office.com\)](#) Amdani Glantaf!

### Art exhibition

Congratulations to our senior students for their creativity and hard work in a fantastic Art Exhibition this week in our main school hall. Can we also thank the number of parents who visited the exhibition, to the Art Department and congratulations to all artists that exhibited their work.



Art exhibition in the school hall

### Under 13s rugby league



Former pupil Meg Jones with the year 9 rugby league team

We would like to wish our under 13s rugby league team the best of luck in the Final of the British Rugby League Cup, being played in Newcastle next Friday - 8th July. They are the first girls team from Wales to reach this round of the Cup – *da iawn ferched*. The players were lucky enough to have England and Great Britain rugby player (and former Glantaf pupil!) Meg Jones come in to share some of her expertise before the big day. *Pob lwc ferched, amdani!*

### Umbrella project supported by the ADHD Foundation

Multi-coloured umbrellas have been exhibited in our bistro area, with the aim of raising awareness of neuro diversity within the school community at Glantaf. The mission of the project is to emphasise individuality of our pupils, and celebrate diversity found within our school community.

### Debate Mate

Pupils from Yr8 and 9 travelled to the Principality stadium to take part in a debating competition on a range of contemporary topics alongside other Cardiff schools. The pupils were commended for their performances. *Da iawn pawb!*

### End of term arrangements and experiences

- July 4, 5, 6 – Taster lessons for all students who are welcome to join Glantaf for the 6th form
- July 6 – Year 9 workshop with Shelter Cymru
- July 4, 5, 6 - Year 7 Humanities trip to Cardiff Bay
- July 6, 7, 13, 14 - Year 10 pupils on Duke of Edinburgh expedition
- July 10 – *Race for Life*, Bute Park: best of wishes to the Glantaf team!
- July 18 – Oakwood trip (Yr8)
- July 20 – Oakwood trip (Yr9)
- July 20 – Royal Welsh trip (Yr 7-10)
- July 21 – Oakwood trip (Yr7)



Umbrella project in the school Bistro

We are pleased to have updated our website: [Ysgol Glantaf](#), and if you have suggestions for further additions to this platform we would welcome your views. We look forward to sharing our annual report in the coming weeks as well as pupil end of year reports and September 2022 arrangements.

Yours sincerely,  
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Debate mate: Glantaf at the stadium