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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Urdd Eisteddfod – Llanymddyfri 2023 - It was wonderful to return to the Eisteddfod field over half term and experience the buzz and excitement of this unique Youth Festival. Glantaf's successes were numerous as students came to the fore in the literature (Cadi Dafydd, Mared Edwards), Mathematics (Finn Osborne; Elin Thomas and Patrick John), art and design (Rhodri Davies and Canolfan Glantaf) competitions but also in several memorable performances on the main stages. Special mention to our Canolfan Glantaf students who competed for the first time at the National Eisteddfod and won a Silver Medal following a sparkling performance. Gold Medallists: Megan, Menna, Remy and Rafik (Instrumental Ensemble); Mathew Bill and Cian Glyn (Cerdd Dant Duet); Owen Frawhawk (Woodwind); Elen Morlais (Ind Folk Dance) as well as Junior Boys Choir. Silver Medallists: Mari Fflur Thomas (Recitation) and Steffan John (Percussion). Bronze Medallists: Folk Choir; Cerdd Dant Ensemble; Mari Fflur Thomas (Ind Folk Dance). Warm thanks to all students who competed with such high distinction in the various competitions – we all enjoyed working so closely with you!

Yr 6 Open Day / Parent Open Evenings - We enjoyed the company of our new Year 7 cohort (Sept 2023) to school this week and pupils were able to meet their registration classmates for September. On Monday and Tuesday 26 and 27 June, we will hold Yr6 open evenings to welcome new parents to the school community. Both evenings will be held at Glantaf from 5-7pm.

Art Exhibition – 4th July 5-7pm - We are delighted to invite you to visit our Art & Design Exhibition to be held at Glantaf on Tuesday 4th July from 5-7pm. Come and enjoy the talents of pupils in their GCSE and A Level courses – we look forward to welcoming you to a memorable evening.

Pride Celebrations - Great to welcome former pupils, Leo Drayton and Vittorio Olivari as well as the singer and TV presenter Catrin Herbert to school this week to celebrate Pride Month at Glantaf. The workshop was a good opportunity for pupils to listen and reflect on young people's views and experiences.

French Visitors - Good to meet and host a visit of pupils from College St Gilles near Nantes to school this term.

Yr 8 HPV inoculations - It was good to hear that Glantaf reached the highest percentage of inoculated pupils of any Cardiff high school this term. Many thanks for your support to ensure our pupils have these important health inoculations.



Folk Choir 2023



Rafik, Menna, Remy, Mrs Wynn and Megan Senior Ensemble



Junior Dramatic Presentation

Yr 9 Barcelona Football Visit - Welcome back and thanks to our Yr9 boys for their good company on the Barcelona Football visit over Whitsun. We look forward to sharing details of the 2024 visit which will shortly be available for (current) Yr 8 pupils.

Sports Award Evening – July 20th at 7pm - We are delighted to invite you to our Annual Sports Award Evening on 20th July at 7pm in the Main School Hall. As well as paying tribute to the achievements of our sporting individuals and teams during the year, it will also be an opportunity to relive some of this year's sporting experiences. Tickets will be available on ParentPay in the near future!

GCSE & A Level Results - Please note that A Level Results can be collected from 8am (Yr 13) and 9am (Yr 12) on 17th August with GCSE Results being collected from 8am (Yr 11) and 9am (Yr 10) on 24th August. If your son / daughter cannot collect these in person we will release results to parents but will require confirmation in writing by the student to consent to this arrangement. **Individual results will be sent to each pupil's personal hwb email by 10am on the day.**

Athletics - Good news this week that our Athletics teams in Yr7&8 and Yr9&10 were crowned County Champions with several outstanding results for individual athletes. Our best wishes to all the teams at the Welsh Championships later next month.

Upcoming events - We look forward to a number of activities in the next few weeks:

24 June	Rugby 7s Festival – Glantaf school fields on Saturday from 12pm
26 & 27 June	Yr 11 > 12 transition: Sixth Form taster lessons and workshops
28 June	Glantaf Cluster INSET Day – school closed for pupils War & Peace Exhibition including our Glantaf War Memorial (Yr 10); Senedd
29 June	Yr11 Farewell Dinner & Dance – Cardiff Coal Exchange at 6:30pm
3 July	Primary Sports Day: Yr6 10am – 2pm
4 July	Glantaf Art Exhibition: GCSE and A Level coursework, 5-7pm
5 July	Yr 9 Sponsored Walk to Cardiff Bay
5-7 July	Canolfan Glantaf residential visit to Liddington
6 July	Railway electrification safety workshops: all students Yr 10 Chemistry Day
7 July	Yr 10 Sponsored Walk to Castell Coch
21 July	End of term: 1.30pm
17 Aug	A & AS Level results; Yr 13 at 8am; Yr 12 at 9am
24 Aug	GCSE Results: Yr 11 at 8am; Yr 10 at 9am
5 Sept	Start of Autumn Term Yr 7 & Yr 12
6 Sept	Start of term (all pupils)



Glantaf Street Art in Whitchurch

To close, a reminder of our final INSET day this year: **Wednesday 28th of June** when school will be closed for all pupils. We look forward to sharing our Annual Report with you before the end of term and will contact you once again with further updates on school activities in July.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MHEvans'.

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Canolfan Glantaf (Silver Medallists) Llanyddyfri