



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



*Supporting Cymru!*

### **A busy first week!**

We've enjoyed a busy first week, with the Y7 and 12 trip to support Cymru football team to reach the World Cup play-offs a clear highlight. (May we kindly request parents to remember to pay for this trip through ParentPay, and apologies for the timing!). It was great to welcome pupils back to school and see their enjoyment in returning to the school community.



*Mabli Phillips: Silver Medal  
UK Cycle Race Series*

### **Summer Success: National Eisteddfod and Sports**

May we also congratulate 4 pupils who represented Wales at the British Schools Championships over the summer, with Iolo Grant (Yr12) 4th in the 100m Hurdles, Tomos Williams (Yr12) and Emily Savastano (Yr13) in the Welsh hockey teams, and winning bronze medals. Special congratulations to Mabli Phillips Yr10, 2nd in the Championship Cycle Race as well as winning Silver in the UK Race Cycling Series – a truly outstanding achievement! Congratulations also to Glantaf students who won commendation at the National Eisteddfod, Lili Mohammed, Nansi Rhys-Adams and Heledd Newton (Yr13 2021/22) as well as Remy Segrott (Cello) and Elen Morlais Williams (Folk Dance) both current students in Yr13. The 1st XV were deserved winners in their opening match against Coleg y Cymoedd at the Arms Park this week. Finally, a reminder of our Sports Awards Evening 2021-22, Thursday, 15/9/22 at 7pm.

### **House Cross County Competition and PE kit**

We will be holding our first house competition for this year, our Cross Country Challenge, on Wednesday 14th September. Pupils should attend school in their PE uniform or suitable tracksuit and are able to remain in this kit for the rest of the day. If we need to re-schedule due to poor weather, updates will be posted on the Intouch app and on Twitter.

### **School Meals**

Lunchtime arrangements and break time / breakfast club provision are working well and all Yr7 pupils have now been enrolled on the system. If there are still difficulties seeing your ParentPay account or adding money to your account please contact Mrs D Price on [Priced135@hwbcymru.net](mailto:Priced135@hwbcymru.net) Year 7 pupils will have access to the canteen: 7Dewi & 7 Dyfrig week 2 (next week) and 7Illtud & 7Teilo week 1. All Yr7 pupils will have daily access to the canteen from 3 October.

### **Schol Uniform and our free Facebook site for uniform recycling**

I would like to thank you for your support in keeping high standards of school uniform. I would wish to remind you that school shoes and socks should be black without a branded name or logo. Short trousers should have the school logo, and may be worn throughout the year. Pupils should wear knee length skirts, with pleats. Please remember that our free uniform site for sharing or requesting



*Meeting Wales Centre Joe Allen, before the big  
match at Cardiff City Stadium*

different sizes is available via this link: [Gwisg Ysgol Glantaf School Uniform recycling - Home | Facebook](#) If you have uniform items you would like to donate, we would be grateful for any good second hand items, washed and with the name removed. It's refreshing to see so much activity on this busy Facebook site with over 800 friends / followers offering and sharing uniform (and resources), diolch yn fawr to all members!

### **Numeracy revision sessions for Yr11 for November GCSE examinations**

Weekly revision sessions will be held for 7 weeks by the Mathematics department starting on Tues, 13 Sept from 3-4pm for set 3, and from Weds 14 Sept for all other classes. We would like to thank you in advance for your support in ensuring your child attends these valuable revision sessions.

### **Communication / SiMS Parent App**

I hope you have successfully registered for our SiMS ParentApp, which can be accessed by two named individuals. If you are experiencing difficulties or need a new link, please contact Mr Denis Pugh: [dpu@glantaf.cymru](mailto:dpu@glantaf.cymru) However, we kindly ask for your patience as it may take a day or two to respond to requests for a new link. We are also pleased that each child has received a *Llyfr Cyswllt* for the year which contains their timetable, school calendar, homework assignments, contacts and useful information. We kindly ask you sign the contact book regularly.



### **6th Form Sponsored Walk**

Sixth Form students will complete a sponsored walk around Cardiff on Friday 16th September to fundraise for two charities: *Oasis* and Felindre Hospital.

### **Extracurricular: Llangrannog Yr 7 and 8 / Art & Design Yr11-13 to London / DofE Expedition**

Please note the Llangrannog residential course dates for Yr7 (October 3-5th) and Yr8 (October 5-7th). A letter outlining the course will be sent to you shortly including ParentPay details. It is our intention that all pupils will attend the course and if you would like contact and support details, these are included in the letter. There will be a residential two day visit to London for Yr11-13 Art & Design students on 21-22 September and the Duke of Edinburgh's (Yr 11) expedition will be on the Gower peninsula 22-23 September, with information letters already sent to all pupils.

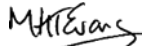
### **Year 12 and Yr8 Information Evenings**

We will be hosting information evenings for parents through *Teams* on the following dates. Please join us to discuss the year ahead and our plan to offer chromebooks to all Yr8 pupils (Meeting invitation on your child's Teams / Hwb site):

Monday, Sept 19	Yr 12	6pm (Welsh medium)	6.30pm (English medium)
Monday, Sept 26	Yr 8	6pm (Welsh medium)	6.30pm (English medium)

### **Finally,**

It is good to return to our extra-curricular programme at school and to note pupils' enthusiasm for these opportunities. It's great to see Yr7 pupils already joining in the extra-curricular clubs and Yr12 students received peer leader training from *Elevate* this week. You can view these activities on the school's twitter accounts. We look forward to working with you closely in the coming year, and as always if you need further information, please contact the school and follow our twitter account @Ysgol\_Glantaf

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*Glantaf 1<sup>st</sup> XV following their first win of the season v Coleg y Cymoedd under leadership of team captain, Tom Weekley.*