



HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER-DECEMBER 2023

Another extremely busy term and year comes to an end and now the pupils and staff are eagerly looking forward to the holidays and enjoying the Christmas celebrations. On behalf of all the staff and Governors of Ysgol David Hughes I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to welcoming the pupils back on **Monday, January 8th**

Update regarding the School Building : I am pleased to share good news with you regarding the school building. Following the completion of substantial work by the builders, since Monday morning, December 18th we have had full access to the first floor of C Block, together with the middle floor of the new block. This means that the Art Department can return to their usual rooms and that we can move the Maths teachers from the Main Hall and the Examination Room to mainly individual rooms (with 2 classes in Yr Harbwr/Library). At the start of the new year we will therefore continue to be without the top floor in C Block (Mathematics corridor and one laboratory) and the top floor in the new block. Remedial work on the top floor of C Block will start shortly in January. I would like to take the opportunity to thank once again all the staff and pupils for their perseverance and resilience throughout the challenging term that has passed. Thanks also to the staff and officers of the Property Department and the Education Department for their excellent support over the past few months.

Congratulations and Thankyou to Mrs Gwen Johnson:



On Wednesday, December 20th we enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner in the school canteen.

We had the opportunity then to congratulate and acknowledge the service of Mrs Gwen Johnson, the school's head cook, who has worked in this canteen for 30 years. She also won a special award from the catering company Chartwells. Thank you Gwen for

feeding generations of children.

Welcoming a new member of staff



A very warm welcome to Mrs Meryl Pritchard Evans who has joined us as part of the Gorad Classroom Assistants team. We wish her well in her new post.



Saying goodbye to Mrs Delyth Owen

During January we will be bidding farewell to Mrs Delyth Owen who is a familiar face and voice in the school's Reception. We thank her very much for her excellent service to the school community and we wish her well in her new job and for the future.

JOB AT DAVID HUGHES SCHOOL

Receptionist : Full time during School Term

In the new year we will advertise the position of Receptionist to work full time in the school's Reception.

This is a school term only position starting towards the end of January. The official advertisement will be on the Anglesey Council website soon in the new year. An informal chat about the job can be had by contacting Mrs Wendy Williams or Mrs Clair Brunt at the school (01248)

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New Minibus



Following a period of fundraising we are now in a position to buy a new minibus for the school. We are hoping that it will arrive early next term.

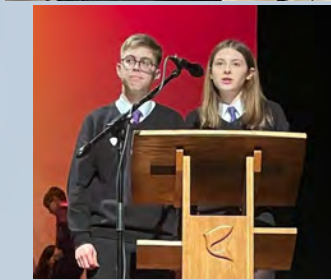




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Christmas Service

On Wednesday night, December 20th we held our 'Peace over Christmas' celebration. Thanks to all the talented pupils who took part and to the staff who instructed and organised.



Year 8 enjoying Peter Pan at Venue Cymru

Year 8 were at Venue Cymru watching the Peter Pan Pan-to. Congratulations to Kwame (Year 8) who took part in the show. See Kwame in flight below!



62 Bus service (Benllech)

From Monday 8th January 2024 onwards, there will be a few changes to the above bus service. At the moment, in the mornings, journeys leave the village of Benllech in the direction of Porthaethwy and Bangor at 0750 and 0800. From the 8th of January onwards those journeys will operate at 0738 and 0800.

At the moment, in the afternoon, there is a journey leaving Bangor at 1530 which serves Porthaethwy town centre at 1554. From the 8th of January onwards this journey from Monday to Friday will leave Bangor at 1520, which in turn meaning that that journey should serve Porthaethwy town center for 1544.





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COMMUNICATION PLAN: See through the link below the contact details of various members of staff with guidance on who to contact regarding various issues:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BASyAE-Xs28u4lz8Qa--mHXiuNI8nINy/view?>

Important Dates:

- January 8th: Start of a new term
- January 10th: GCSE English Literature + Business Y12
- January 12th: GCSE Welsh Literature + Business Y13
- January 18th-26th: Years 12 and 13 Examinations
- January 30th: Year 11 Parents' Evening
- February 12th – 16th : Half Term Holidays
- February 19th: Training day for teachers
- February 20th: Years 12 and 13 Parents' Evening
- February 28th: Options Evening for Year 9
- March 5th : Year 9 Parents' Evening
- March 19th : 6th Options Evening (for Year 11)

Updating Personal Details: Parents are kindly asked to inform us if there are any changes in their personal details such as address, telephone numbers, e-mail etc

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY



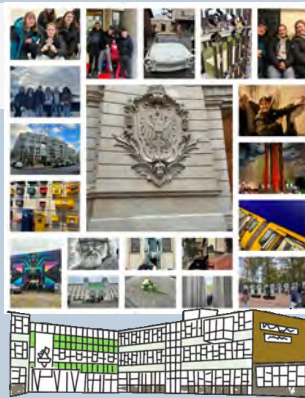
Religious Studies trip to Liverpool



Achievements and activities



Art & Technology trip to BERLIN



French trip to PARIS



Anti Racism Day



YSGOL David Hughes



Under 18 Netball Team who won the Anglesey tournament

Nadolig Llawn a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i bawb / A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone

H. Joy Williams

Ras Hwyl Sion Corn
Dydd Llun Rhagfyr 18fed
Monday December 18th

Milltir o redog neu gerdded i ddatlur y Nadolig a chodi arian at elusen lleol
 1 mile run or walk to celebrate Christmas and to raise money for local charity

Gwers 1 – Blwyddyn 7 & 6ed
 Gwers 2- Blwyddyn 8
 Gwers 3 – Blwyddyn 9
 Gwers 4- Blwyddyn 10
 Gwers 5- Blwyddyn 11

Pob rhedwr i dalu £1
 Every runner to pay £1
 Medal i'r 3 bachgen a merch cyntaf ym mhob rws.
 Medal for first 3 boys and girls in each race.

GWYBODAETH
 Gweld yr eiddoedd i'w hysborthu am anian huddodig ym mhob blwyddyn
 Prize for pupil who raises the most donations from each year

Big congratulations to Alex Year 9 on being selected for the Wales under 14 basketball squad

