



Headteacher's Newsletter 18.1.19

On Tuesday we held the Rotary Young Musician (local round). Six of our More Able and Talented (MAT) pupils decided to take part and local musician and accompanist Mr Peter Griffiths was our adjudicator. After some exceptional performances by our musicians, the winner was announced as Rhys Evans of year 10 on Trumpet, and runner up (it was VERY close) was Dylan Sanders-Swales of year 10 on Drumkit.

Rhys will now compete in the Pembrokeshire round at the Merlin Theatre on January 29th.

We are very grateful to the local Rotary club for encouraging and supporting our musicians year on year. Diolch.



Mr J Letten

Assistant Head

Why did you want to work at MHS: After living and working in Moscow and Kiev for a number of years I wanted to work in a more rural setting rather than the big city. I have always had a passion for geography as it is so important to understand the world around you and your place in it.

What do you love about Milford Haven: I love working with our students, their enthusiasm and interest in learning about the world is infectious and the ideas they come out with are amazing at times. I was only going to stay in Milford for 2 years and then move on, that was over twenty years ago so something must have kept me here!

Plans and ambitions for the future: My plans and ambitions are simply to continue to do the best job that I can in whatever role I am doing at MHS. On a personal level I want to travel more, and would love to visit Antarctica and follow in my Grandfather's footsteps.

Highlight of your time at MHS: There is not one particular highlight that stands out, every day is different which is the variety that I like and enjoy. I have many happy memories of staff and students from the years I have been here, and am looking forward to the future.

COMMUNITY

We have several upcoming events at school that have been named 'Make a Difference' days. These are positive opportunities for students, staff and the wider community to make an impact on the school and local area for the benefit of us all. Next week we are holding a tree planting session on MHS school site to create a tree corridor for future generations of the town to enjoy, and also hopefully host a variety of local wildlife. If you would like to be involved in any of our 'Make A Difference' days please contact the school as the input and support of the community would be warmly welcomed.

The designated Safeguarding Officer for Milford Haven School is Mrs J Reynolds.

Milford Haven Secondary school fully recognises its responsibilities towards child protection and safeguarding children. We have an active role to play in protecting our students from harm and promoting their welfare. We recognise that we may be the only stable, secure and predictable element in the lives of children at risk, and so we endeavour to maintain an environment where students can feel secure, are encouraged to talk and are listened to. We aim to ensure that students can be supported through a school-wide ethos that promotes a positive, supportive and secure environment, valuing pupils' independence, feelings and individuality.

Please report any safeguarding concerns you may have about any pupils at Milford Haven School to Mrs Reynolds.

A huge congratulations to the following musicians who have passed ABRSM exams as follows:

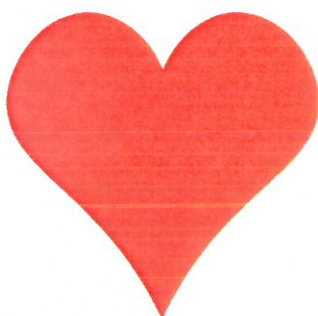
- Gareth Maclachlan - Grade 6 Flute with merit.
 - Lily Meddings- Grade 5 Flute.
- Rhys Evans - Grade 4 Music Theory

Dydd Santes Dwynwen Competition

The previously announced competition to design a card for Dydd Santes Dwynwen, the Welsh equivalent of Valentines Day, is now open to all KS3 pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9.

There will be a prize for the most creative design, as well as one for the best use of Welsh, and all entries will be awarded house points!

All cards are to please be handed to Heads of Houses by 9am 25.2.19.



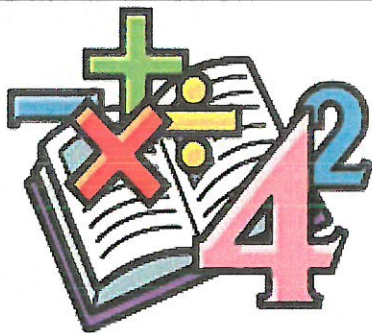
A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Williams from the Royal British Legion for their continued support of Milford Haven School, and also for their recent donation. Diolch.

Maths Club

Every Thursday
lunch time

Classroom- M5

All welcome!



Puzzle of the Week is a free international puzzle competition for schools. Students submit answers to a puzzle which is published weekly on Mondays. School and pupil performances are recorded and leader boards are published on the results page.

The competition is open to all year groups including teachers and parents/carers. It runs from Monday to the following Sunday midnight. Entries are made by Google Form and each week a personalized email will be received giving individual standings for the puzzle for the previous week. The puzzle can be accessed from the pupils intranet page or direct by Googling "Puzzle of the Week".

Currently Milford Haven School is top of the leader board for Year 9 (and we would like to try to get more entries across all year groups including staff and carers.

Dates for your Diary:

Here is a handy list of some key dates coming up in the school calendar, but please note that this is not an exclusive list of school events.

28.1.19 Parent Forum 5-6pm

28.1.19 Friends of the School Meeting 6.30-7.30pm

7.2.19 Year 13 Pupil Progress Evening 3.30-6pm

8.2.19 Year 11 mock exams begin

February Half Term 25.2.19-1.3.19

*21.3.19 Year 9 Pupil Progress Evening 3.30-6pm

*4.4.19 Year 7 Pupil Progress Evening 3.30-6pm

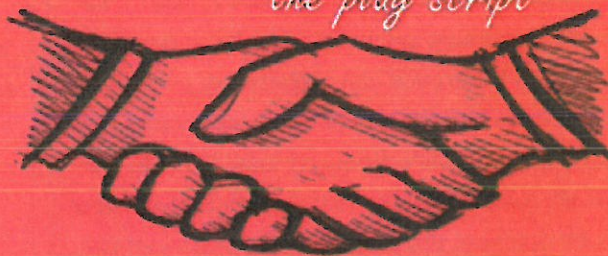
*11.4.19 Year 8 Pupil Progress Evening 3.30-6pm

Easter Holidays 15.4.19– 26.4.19

Bank Holiday 6.5.19

**Pupil Progress Evenings are the new Parents Evening*

Blood Brothers
the play script



Milford Haven School
Ysgol Aberdaugleddau

Wed 20th, Thurs 21st & Fri 22nd Feb 2019
Doors 6:30pm Show 7:00pm Steynton Hall

Tickets **£5**, concessions **£3** or **£15** family ticket
Available on the door or in advance from the school library.

**"From one womb born on the self same day,
how one was kept and one given away."**

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