## Milford Haven School Ysgol Aberdaugleddau

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# Headteacher's Newsletter 19.10.18

### WHAT'S ON ...

- 22.10.18 Parent Forum 4.30-5.30pm
- 25.10.18 MHS Open Evening 5-7pm
- 6.10.18 MHS Trailathon (KS3 only)
- 26.11.18 INSET DAY
- 3.12.18 INSET DAY
- 6.12.18 MHS Christmas Fayre 6.30 8.30pm
- 11.12.18 Christmas Bingo 6-7pm

Thank you to all of the pupils that attended the Y7 Reward Disco last Thursday, it was a pleasure to host the event and celebrate all of the hard work you have put into your positive transitions to secondary school. A big thank you to Eventz Photobooth for providing the entertainment, and a very special thanks to all of the staff that gave up their time to supervise the event and made it possible for us to offer such a great reward to pupils! We hope you had as much fun as we did.

Congratulations to the pupils that received certificates for completing 'Active Young People Leadership Training'. All pupils demonstrated a mature and professional attitude throughout the training, with plenty of enthusiasm and an inspiring manner which will stand in good stead when they help out at sporting events within the area, possibly within school, primary events or within the community. Thank you to our AYP officer for supporting MHS pupils to access such a fantastic opportunity.

## Meet the Assistant Head...



Assistant Head: Mrs M Griffiths

Why did you want to be Assistant Head at MHS:

I've spent my whole teaching career at MHS and have always loved the ethos and values which we promote.

What you love about Milford Haven: I love that no day is the same!

Plans and ambitions for the future: I'd love to see some investment from the local authority into the school building so that our pupils can profit from further vocational opportunities and improved facilities.

Highlight of your time at MHS:

I've loved being a Head of Year, seeing those happy faces on results day each year but also taking our pupils to France every year has been a highlight.



#### **CHRISTMAS DECORATION APPEAL:**

In the coming months we have several community based events planned. One of which is a special one off festive event at the Mount Community Centre, and we would really like to decorate the centre for this special day.

If anyone has any spare/old Christmas decorations that they would be able to donate we

would be extremely grateful for any contributions to enable us to give the Mount Community Centre a festive make over in December! All donations are to please be handed in to Ms Baker.

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Just a reminder that all pupils are being monitored at the school gate daily, and those found arriving late will be given a break detention on the day in M2. We take punctuality very seriously as this impacts learning and academic achievement, which is a high priority for all learners.

#### Year 9 Careers Day

Pupils in Year 9 took part in a fantastic Careers Day on Wednesday last week which was organised by Careers Wales. The sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and Year 9 would like to thank the outside providers for their time and effort in running a great day!



Diolch yn fawr iawn i chi gyd!

#### IMPORTANT REMINDER:

We would appreciate it if pupils could be mindful of bringing nuts into school. We have several pupils here at MHS who are extremely allergic to nuts, and due to the potential consequences we would appreciate the support of their friends and peers to ensure that everyone here at MHS is safe. Thank you as always for your support.



Thursday 27th September saw an exciting evening of logic, reason, rebuttal and points of information as 8 Y11 students attended the Oxford School's debating workshop in Olchfa. The workshop was the first event before regional heats in December, and was hosted by a current member of the Oxford team. The Milford debaters were joined by members of Olchfa School and Llandovery College. Initially Evan Price, Gareth Maclachan, Sam Marshallsay and Eleanor Evans participated in the 40 minute debate on the motion 'This House.......'. After 15 minutes of preparation each speaker had 5 minutes to take the floor and present their argument. The British Parliamentary style of debating involves specific roles for each speaker, and all involved in the debate must be able to actively listen and may offer points of information to engage with their opposition. A second debate with half a House was then conducted for Milford Haven students Megan Clarke, Megan Owen, Lucie Mathias and Izzy Solomon.

We are extremely proud of all of the students that took part, the sky is the limit for you all with such amazing talent and dedication to your education!

Congratulations to Aiden Aldred and Oliver King, who have qualified to play in the final of the Welsh Mini Masters at the Celtic Manor, by winning the regional round at Milford Haven Golf Club.

