

Headteacher's Newsletter 5.4.19

Weekly Welsh QR Code.



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.

10.4.19 Headteachers' drop in session 5-6pm

10.4.19 MHS Easter Bingo 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

NOTICE FOR PUPILS: Our Youth Room has moved and we are currently in the process of making the Youth Room more user friendly! Now located in the DT block at the bottom of the stairs.

If you fancy a tea/coffee, a chat, a bit of a laugh or just somewhere to relax then please pop in. Drop in sessions from 0815 - 0855 and 1105 - 1125. All pupils are welcome at these times. Thanks, Jimmy. (School Based Youth Worker)

***HOCKEY TOURNAMENT ***

Milford Haven School came second in the hockey Plate Cup this week- they went to penalty flicks after a 0-0 match, (something that Miss Griffiths has never seen in school hockey!) The girls all played incredibly well, but

unfortunately lost out on flicks 3-4.

Players player is Keira Evans. Coaches player is Fearne Morgan.

Goals scored by: Fearne Morgan(2) Keira Evans (1) and Brooke Culley (1).

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YR 10 MOCK EXAMS

Year 10 students have been issued with their individual timetables this week for the mock exams, which will take place over 2 weeks starting Monday 29th April.

Revision materials and a copy of the mock exam timetable have been uploaded onto Google Classroom to support students in preparing for these exams. Thank you to everyone that attended the Y11 GCSE Preparation Evening, we are glad so many of you found it useful.

Going paperless...

We are grateful for all of the positive feedback we have received regarding the Headteacher's newsletter, and are glad that people are enjoying this extra method of communicating school news to home.

We will continue to print paper copies of our weekly newsletter up till the Easter Holidays, however after the Easter break we intend to go paperless. This means that you will still receive the newsletter, but it will be available electronically via our website, Facebook and WEDUC.

There are many reasons behind our decision to make our newsletter paperless, such as

*Access to information anytime and anywhere

*Faster access to school information

*Environmentally friendly

*Financial savings

Thank you for your ongoing support. Diolch.





We have some fantastic news, Natalie Thomas of Milford Haven School has been accepted into Oxford University to study History (BA) starting this coming October. Natalie is the first Milford Haven School student in over ten years to be accepted into Oxford University, and one of only three pupils from the whole of Pembrokeshire County to be accepted into Oxford or Cambridge this year!

Natalie is really looking forward to the challenge of studying at Oxford University, she is aware that she is not the typical Oxford candidate and hopes that her achievement will inspire other young people from the local area and other State Schools to raise their own aspirations and expectations of themselves and what they can achieve. "Students from Milford Haven School are as worthy as students from anywhere else to study at elite Universities. I would like to think that by seeing me go to Oxford University, it will make other people realise that it is achievable to study at this level. People say that places like Oxford and Cambridge are for Privately educated and rich young people,

I am neither of those things but I have worked hard and earnt a spot there which anyone could do. I didn't limit myself to what other people said was possible, and you don't need to either. Everyone should aim high."

In honour of Natalie's achievement Milford Haven School are adding a new award to the annual Senior Certificate Award Ceremony. This will be the 'Natalie Thomas Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement', and will be sponsored by our current Head of Sixth Form Mrs Dootson.

Please see to the right a copy of the proposed changes to the structure of the day here at Milford Haven School. We would love to hear your thoughts and feedback on the suggested changes, so please come along to the Head

Teacher's drop in session on Wednesday

Proposed model

| Timetabled | Timings |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Lesson 1 | 8.45-9.45 |
| Lesson 2 | 9.45-10.45 |
| Break 1 | 10.45-11.15 |
| Lesson 3 | 11.15-12.15 |
| Lesson 4 | 12.15-1.15 (ALN lunch at 12.55- 1.15) |
| Break 2 | 1.15-1.45 (ALN support 1.15-1.35) |
| Lesson 5 | 1.45-2.45 |
| Raising Achievement | 2.45-3.10 |

April 10th 5-6pm to let us know what you think. There will be 10 minute slots available for your to have 1:1 discussions with the Head.

MHS COUNTY WINNERS!

Pembrokeshire school and college students rose admirably to a complicated engineering challenge when they competed in the county's first-ever Rotary Technology Tournament last Thursday.

A total of 28 teams representing Pembrokeshire College, Ysgol Harri Tudur, Pembroke; Castle School, Narberth, Redhill, Llandissilio, Milford Haven School, Ysgol Bro Gwaun, Fishguard, Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi, and St Davids took part in the event, which was organised by Rotary clubs in Pembrokeshire. The teams - whose members were aged from 11 to 18 - were tasked to come up with innovative ideas to construct a crane-like structure to manually lift and move a load from and along a track.

We are extremely proud to say that Milford Haven School were the Foundation Stage winners. Rotary District Governor, Clive Edwards, praised the enthusiasm of all the teams in the event at Pembrokeshire College and added: "We hope this will motivate other areas within South Wales to stimulate our young people into entering engineering as a profession." Prizes were presented by the High Sheriff of Dyfed, Stephen Mansel Davies; Deputy Lord Lieutenant for Dyfed, Sharron Lusher; Pembrokeshire County Council chairman, Councillor Aden Brinn; the Sheriff of Haverfordwest, Chris Thomas and Pembrokeshire County Council's Director of schools, Kate Evan-Hughes.

All were extremely impressed with the high standard and concentration demonstrated by pupils on the day.