



Headteacher's Blog 3.5.19

Firstly, a warm welcome to everyone reading my first Headteacher's blog. We have ceased to print a paper newsletter, so this is now the place to come to find a summary of daily life and what is going on here at Milford Haven School. This blog is an opportunity to promote some of the outstanding achievements made by our students, reflect on events that have passed and remind you about important dates on the horizon. I hope that you will find this blog useful, and also an effective way to feel connected to Milford Haven School and your child's education.

On behalf of everyone here at Milford Haven School I would like to wish Nia Smith good luck in her upcoming boxing matches this weekend. Nia is an outstanding sporting talent, and we wish her all the luck in the world in her fights representing Wales.



I would also like to extend a huge da iawn and congratulations to Shannon Davies on her U16 Prem Solo win recently, she now progresses to the World Dance Championship competition and we wish you all the best.

Year 8 had a successful PSHE day this week. Pupils attended information sessions run by Pembrokeshire Youth Service, West Wales Fire Service and Dyfed Powys Police. We would like to thank everyone involved in running these sessions, including the young people who engaged so positively and clearly benefitted from participating.

THE 54 DAY CHALLENGE!

We have only got 54 school days in this Summer school term. To reward those pupils who continue to attend school and profit from valuable learning opportunities we are running a 54 day challenge. Every pupil who attends all 54 days of this school term will be entered into a raffle draw, to be drawn on Friday 19th July 2019. The prize will be £54 worth of vouchers for holiday activities! Pob lwc pawb.

A huge thank you to all the pupils who have returned this term looking smart in correct school uniform, it is lovely to see so many of you taking pride in being a member of the Milford Haven School community. A polite reminder that hoodies are not allowed on site in any colour and they will be confiscated if seen, in accordance with school policy. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind Year 11 pupils that you will be required to wear full and correct uniform when sitting your GCSE exams, once the exam period is over please feel free to hand in any unwanted preloved uniform items as we will find a good home for them! Thank you to parents/carers for your continued support, especially in assisting with the high standards of uniform we have set.

Pob lwc to all of our Year 11 students as the external GCSE exams start next week on Tuesday May 7th. Please see below a copy of the overall GCSE exam timetable for next week. We hope that you are all making the most of the support on offer in school, and also independently revising at home so you are giving yourselves the best chance possible to succeed!

EXAMINATION TIMETABLE May - June 2019

Tuesday 7th May					
9.00AM	WJEC	GCSE Maths Numeracy	Paper 1 No Calculator	Foundation Int & Higher	1½hrs 1¼hrs
Wednesday 8th May					
9.00AM	WJEC	GCSE Welsh	Unit 3	Full Course	1½hrs
	WJEC	A Level Chemistry	Practical		3 hours
Thursday 9th May					
9.00AM	WJEC	GCSE Maths Numeracy	Paper 2 Calculator	Foundation Int & Higher	1½hrs 1¼hrs
Friday 10th May					
9.00AM	WJEC	GCSE Welsh	Unit 4	Full Course	1½hrs

Our next Parent Forum is being held on Monday May 13th from 5-6pm , I look forward to seeing many of you there and would like to thank you in advance for the active role that you are playing in supporting the school's progress and development. Following the last Family Forum and Headteacher's Drop in Session, there was a query noted on the change of the school day and specifically the monitoring and safeguarding of pupils with no registration at the start of the day. We would like to clarify that pupils will still have registration in the normal way in lesson 1, and our usual attendance and safeguarding procedures will be followed. In light of the primary schools changing to an asymmetric week we hope families will take the opportunity to enjoy this time with younger children, whilst continuing to emphasise the importance of attendance every day at MHS.

Well done to the following Flute students who recently sat and passed ABRSM exams:

Megan Owens yr 11 Grade 8; Rowan Maclachlan yr 10 Grade 6; Eve Phillips yr 10 Grade 6, Molly Gough yr 8 Grade 4; Emily Wakely yr 8 Grade 4.

A huge diolch to Mr Sanders-Swales, our woodwind peripatetic teacher, who has helped coach them through their exam. Da iawn pawb.

A reminder that the Governors are meeting on Thursday May 16th 2019 at 6.30pm, this meeting has been planned as requested by parents and carers of pupils currently at Milford Haven School. Only parents of pupils currently on school roll will be able to attend this meeting, this is not open to the general public. Please note that we have posted online a copy of the letter sent out by the Chair of Governors regarding who will be in attendance and topics for discussion.

TOGETHER ASPIRE, TOGETHER ACHIEVE.
Gyda'n gilydd, ymdrechwn... Gyda'n gilydd, cyflawnwn...

