



## Headteacher's Newsletter 7.12.18

**This is such a busy and exciting time of year, here are just a few of the things happening here at MHS this December...**

**\*Last night, Thursday December 6th, we held the MHS Christmas Fayre**

**\*Monday December 10th- Reward Panto Trip**

**\*Tuesday December 11th- MHS Christmas Bingo, doors open 6pm, eyes down 6.45pm**

**\*Tuesday December 11th- MHS Community Christmas Lunch at the Mount Centre (Ticketed event, all spaces now allocated)**

**Tuesday December 11th— Pupil and staff Christmas Lunch**

**\*Wednesday December 12th- Carol Concert**

**\*Thursday December 13th- Hangar 5 Reward Trip**

**\*Thursday December 20th- Y7 Reward Christmas Disco**

**\*Friday December 21st- Christmas Jumper Day (Pupils and staff are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers on the last day of term and make a suggested donation of £1 which will go to the charity Save the Children).**



**This is just a snapshot of what is happening this month, so keep your eyes peeled for regular reminders online!**

*MHS Premier League continues to take place every Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime up until Christmas, and beyond. There are ten teams competing for the ultimate honour of being crowned MHS's first ever Premier League winners. We can't match the real premier league wages, but we do have a brilliant trophy and medals waiting for the winning team! We will keep you updated with photos and results as they come in. Diolch*

Well done to all of the Y11 pupils that attended the Future Choices Event today in Haverfordwest. This event was an opportunity for our students to explore the many options that await them when they leave MHS, and we hope that you found it useful. Whether you are looking to go into employment, training, sixth form or follow a different path; now is the time to start thinking about the next step. Now is the time to get the best grades you can, as your passport to as many opportunities as possible.



### **Safety Notice:**

*Please could anyone collecting pupils at the front of school be mindful not to block private drives and entrance ways. We have been advised by the police that drop offs and collections are safer if you use the Thornton entrance. The front of school is a busy and main route in and out of the town centre, so we really appreciate your support in keeping our pupils and your children safe during busy transition times of the school day. Diolch*

Our students have been very busy over the term developing their skills, knowledge and understanding across the different subject areas. We have been refining our progress tracking procedure, and have introduced some refinements based on parent and pupil feedback. We will be sharing with you shortly a summary of the progress your son or daughter has made over the term. Diolch

**DofE:** More than 60 participants took part in the DofE Winter Wonderland expeditions last weekend. Well done to all of the MHS pupils that took part and completed this epic challenge! Thank you to Mr Williams who gives up so much time to support DofE here at MHS, and a huge thanks to the other volunteers that gave up their weekend to support this incredible experience for so many young people.

**PISA Project:** Over 20 of our year 11 students were recently selected by Welsh government to participate in the international PISA study. PISA investigates how young people around the world can use what they have learnt about reading, math and science. The results from the study will provide high quality data that will allow us to make comparisons internationally, to inform education policy in the UK and across the world. This was an exciting opportunity for our students to take part in an activity that will help shape the future of education in Wales.

# We break up Friday 21st Dec for Christmas.

**SIXTH FORM NEWS:** Some Year 12 students took part in the National Seren Conference in Newtown, Wednesday and Thursday of this week, and represented MHS to a very high standard. The pupils that attended were Leah Harris, Carys Wild, Isabella Cutola, Niambh Taylor, and Emma Nicholas.

Da iawn to you all for taking part, and we hope you have a fantastic time at the conference.

### **Christmas Crafting.**

*A huge thanks to all parents who came and supported the fantastic Christmas craft sessions in the Bay. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed creating Christmas cards and bunting, whilst indulging in some Christmas songs and mince pies! A further thanks to Mrs Gibbons for arranging the worth-while event. Diolch*

### **MHS PARENT FORUM**

**Monday December 10th, 4.30-5.30pm**

**All welcome!**

### **PATCH collection**

*Thank you to everyone that was able to contribute to the MHS whole school collection for PATCH this week. It has been amazing to see the generosity of staff, students & their families. We are proud to raise awareness and money throughout the year for many charities, but it is especially heart warming to see people care so greatly about their neighbours and the people with whom we share this great town.*

*Thank you again for your donations, and for supporting us to help such a wonderful and well used local cause. Diolch.*