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Eisteddfod Elfed 2017

Every student in Year 7 and Year 8 took part in Eisteddfod Elfed 2017. There were outstanding entries in subjects across the curriculum, showcasing the skills and interests of our Year 7 and Year 8 students. After an exciting morning of stage competitions, the Eisteddfod ended with the 'Seremoni Caderio', the chairing ceremony for the winner of the short story competition. Congratulations to everyone. Longyfarchiadau.



Royal award is for 'Team Elfed'

Headteacher, Mrs Rosemary Jones, received her OBE award for 'Services to Education' from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace. As the Queen presented the award, she asked Rosemary Jones about Elfed High School. She listened attentively as the Headteacher spoke about the excellent staff and students and the supportive community of Buckley.

"It was a wonderful experience to meet the Queen, in the 65th year of her reign, and to receive this recognition for the achievements of Team Elfed."



Buckley Mynydd Isa Consortium Concert

Theatr Elfed was packed with families and friends of pupils from schools across Buckley for this year's Consortium Concert. All the schools in Buckley and Mynydd Isa took to the stage, entertaining the delighted audience with a wide range of performances. Over £1000 was raised in aid of Breast Cancer. Well done to all who took part. Da iawn pawb.



Learning Choices in Key Stage 4

Year 9 students have been making choices about their subjects for next year. The Key Stage 4 Prospectus has been issued to all the students, giving detailed information about the courses on offer. Students and their families were invited to find out more at the recent Progress Evening. You can view the Prospectus on the website www.elfedhs.co.uk.



Elfed Apprenticeship Fair

Year 11 students are busy preparing for their next steps, to further education or into the world of work. The Elfed Apprenticeship Fair provided a great opportunity to meet with employers and to learn about the choices that lie ahead.

Diolch yn fawr. Thank you very much everyone who made this event such a valuable learning experience for the students involved.



Smooth Move to Elfed

Year 5 pupils from Drury, Mountain Lane, Southdown and Westwood Primary Schools enjoyed developing their problem solving skills by taking on the Techniquet Challenge. Elfed High School students advised and guided the younger pupils, giving them confidence to try out new ideas. When all the puzzles were solved, pupils marvelled at the night sky, projected for them in three dimensions in the mobile Planetarium.

All the Smooth Move to Elfed activities are designed to provide positive experiences of learning in the high school environment, building confidence and enthusiasm prior to moving on at the end of Year 6.



'Don't look down!'

Students and staff enjoyed a sunny weekend away in the Shropshire countryside, combining numeracy revision with some amazing adventurous activities. The staff at the PGL Centre at Boreatton Park praised Elfed High School students for their enthusiasm and perseverance. They developed their problem solving skills and showed some excellent teamwork. Well done! Da iawn!

Charity Events

Leading Learners have shown great care and consideration for others when planning recent charity events. Activities have included a cake sale and designing a new 'Red Nose' for Comic relief. Lead Learners from the Base donated their cake sale funds to Shelter to help the homeless.



Comic Relief



Shelter



Mock Interviews

Employers from across the region visited Elfed High School to provide interview experience for Year 11 students, to help them to prepare for their next steps. The students were praised for their excellent CVs, their confident communication skills and smart appearance. Thank you to everyone for their support. Diolch yn fawr.

Year 4 Gymnastics festival

Pupils from Drury, Mountain Lane, Southdown and Westwood Primary Schools have enjoyed a taste of excellent learning at Elfed High School this term.

Pupils from Year 4 took part in the Gymnastics Festival, with Elfed's Sports Leaders helping them to learn new skills. Pupils received medals for their effective communication skills and some great teamwork.



Cushions Completed!

Year 8 students' showed some outstanding skills in designing and making innovative cushions. Their designs came in many styles and colours.



Elfed News

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School is closed for holidays from: Monday 10th April and re-opens for students on Monday 24th April 2017.



Is your child eligible for free school meals?

The high cost of raising a young family means that everyone could do with some help. Free school meals save you time and money and provide reassurance that your children are eating a healthy, balanced lunch every day. If you are on benefits or unemployed you may be able to claim free school meals for your child. Details are on the website.