

Year 9 languages visit to Ancon

The visit for twelve Year 9 students was organised by CILT Cymru to promote languages in business. Ancon is an international company that produces stainless steel fixings for the building industry. The factory that we went to is situated on Deeside Industrial Park.

We met Hervé, who is a sales manager. He is originally from Nice in France and is now based in Sheffield. He spoke to us in French and introduced himself and the company. He then asked us questions about ourselves in French. We were very nervous but Hervé helped us lots and we managed to answer most of the questions. We learnt about the importance of languages in business and asked Hervé some questions in French.

We went on a tour of the factory and learnt more about the business and the products. We had a really interesting morning. It was good to hear a real Frenchman speaking and to see how much we can understand. The students who went on the visit are planning to do a presentation for our French classes about it.

Report by Paige Rees 9F



Cross Country

The sun shone for the Annual County Cross Country Championships with all twelve schools in the county taking part in the event. Elfed High School teams performed exceptionally well and there were outstanding team and individual results.

Y7 Girls Team = 2nd Yr 7 Boys Team = 1st Da iawn!
Y8 and Y9 Girls Team = 7th Y8 and Y9 Boys Team = 2nd

The following students came in the top 10 in their race and were selected to represent Flintshire at the North East Wales Championships: Ross Walker, Jordan Walker, Flyn Pownell, Robert Griffiths, Aled Bellis, Beth Aldred. We are delighted that Ross Walker has been selected to compete at the Welsh Schools Championships next month we wish him good luck. Pob lwc!

Extra curricular and 5 x 60 programme

Day	Lunchtime	After-School	
Monday	Cheerleading Netball	Netball	All Years
Tuesday	Dodgeball Table Tennis Handball	Football Badminton	All Years Years 7 and 8 All Years
Wednesday	Basketball Squash Gymnastics	Hockey Indoor Football Rugby	Years 7 and 8 All Years Years 9 and 10 Years 7, 8 and 9 All Years
Thursday	Cricket Futsa Dodgeball Fitness Room	Handball/ Touchball Netball Fixtures	All Years Year 7 Years 9 and 10 Years 10 to 13
Friday	Badminton Table Tennis Fitness Room	Primary School Transition Club Staff Sports	All Years Years 10 to 13

There are many and extensive opportunities for students to take part in lunch time and after school clubs this term.

Half term Holiday

Monday 11th February 2013 to Friday 15th February 2013
School is open again on **Monday 18th February 2013**



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Excellent facilities and resources for learning at Elfed High School

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Refurbishment of the Design and Technology suite at Elfed High School has provided a truly outstanding resource. Two bright new workshops replace the old metal and woodwork rooms, equipped with modern machinery for learning in the twenty first century.

The new Computer Aided Design and Computer Suite is equipped with the latest technology, including a computer operated laser cutter.

The facilities were opened officially by Mr Martin Evans, governor and representative of Airbus. Mr Evans praised the excellent quality of the new facilities and linked Elfed High School students' learning and skills with the needs of local industries.

The facilities will be of great benefit to all students, particularly those in Year 10 and Year 11 who study Engineering. The course links students' learning at Elfed High School with practical opportunities at Deeside College to achieve the prestigious Principal learning qualification. Students who completed the course last year have moved on to apprenticeships and employment in engineering firms locally.

You are welcome to visit! Please contact school for a tour of the new facilities.



Coming soon **New windows!**

Elfed Parent and Teachers' Network

Quiz Night

28th Febraury 2013 - 7.00pm
Entry for a team of four £5.00
Tickets available from the Office

School Modernisation

Thank you to all who attended the consultation meeting and / or responded to the invitation to express your opinion on the county's preferred option. We will update you when there is more news from Flintshire County Council.

‘Be the best you can be!’
‘Byddwch eich gorau!’



A selection of our achievements



The Midwinter Celebration Concert included students from Westwood Primary School Choir, Elfed High School Jazz Band, String group, Choir, Instrumental Soloists, class ensembles and the drama club as well as original monologues and readings by the creative writing groups. An audience of over 200 people celebrated the great talent of Elfed and Westwood pupils. The night was a huge success and a very special start to the Christmas festivities. Thank you to all the pupils and staff who supported, attended and performed in the concert.



London 2012 Paralympic bronze medalist, Beverley Jones, presented students with their awards. Beverley Jones and the PE department congratulate the School Sports Council Leader and Sports Lifetime Achievement Award winner.

We celebrated the achievements and positive attitude of our students on Presentation Evening with the help of guests Tim Baker, Associate Director from Theatr Clwyd, Ray Wells, Cllr Neville Phillips OBE and Ian Collins, Chair of Governors. Well done! Da iawn!



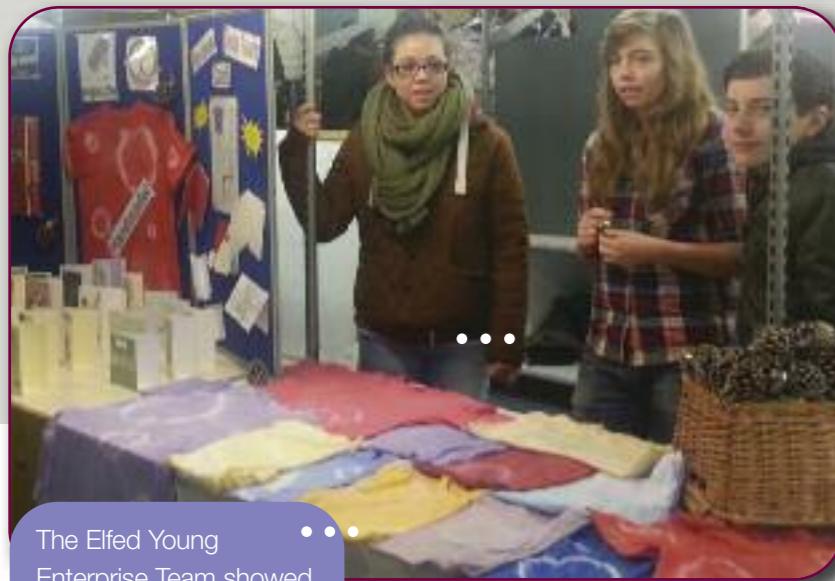
More able and talented students from Key Stage 3 worked together to solve the Techniquet Challenge in December.



The Buddy Reading Programme is a great success! Year 10 and Year 7 students are working together to improve reading skills and enjoyment.



Students in Year 8 and year 9 were presented with 'Be the Best You Can Be Awards' and 'Head of Learning Awards' in recognition of their excellent attitude to learning.



The Elfed Young Enterprise Team showed off their produce at the recent trade fair.



Year 8 students entertained us with their pantomime at Christmas.

Llongyfarchiadau! Congratulations to all the students who received their bronze and silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards in the ceremony in December. These year 11 students have completed bronze and some are now working towards their silver award. Good luck! Pob lwc!

