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Preparing for Working Life

Elfed High School's 2016 Careers Fair provided inspiration and support for students and their families as they prepare for the world of work and further education. The event was very well attended by employers, colleges and sixth form providers. There was plenty of advice available to help students to make some difficult choices and much encouragement for them to aim high. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. Diolch yn fawr.



Governors' Award

Mr Wells, Chair of Governors, congratulated Key Stage 3 students for their excellent attitude to learning during the last school year. The winners of the 'Governors' Award' have kept up the highest standards throughout the year, including full attendance, no warnings and straight 'A' grades for attitude. Well done to all the award winners.



Llongyfarchiadau!

Congratulations to this former Elfed High School student on taking up his place at Cambridge University to study History.



Well Done Year 7

Year 7 students enjoyed their first Immersion Morning, with activities including healthy eating, charity fundraising and Growth Mindset. Their normal timetable was stopped for the morning to allow for a variety of learning opportunities with a focus on wellbeing and care. Llongyfarchiadau. Congratulations to everyone on having such a positive attitude to learning.



Get started!

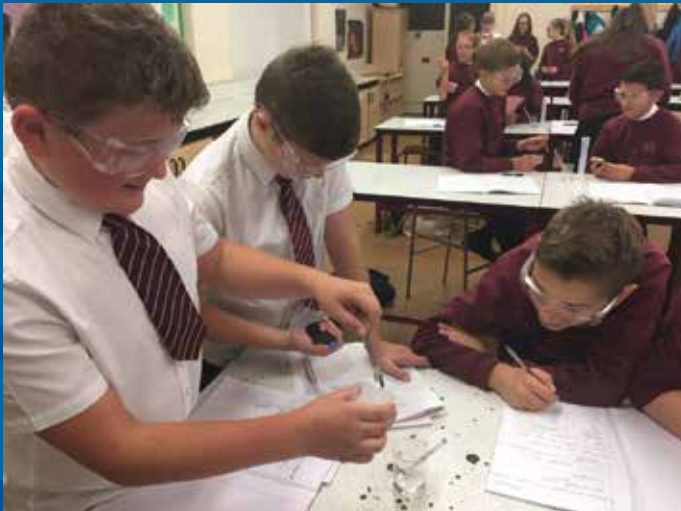
Everyone is welcome to this new club, every day before school in the Dining Room. Come along between 8.15am and 8.45am to enjoy fun with friends. There are hot drinks and snacks on sale and free breakfast for students entitled to Free School Meals.

"I love 'Get Started!' because there are so many activities and I can meet my friends. I love the hot chocolate!"



Year 7 Welcome Evening

Year 7 students and their families enjoyed the flavours of Italian cooking at the Welcome Evening. The Dining Room was packed with people of all ages, getting to know one another and having fun together. Teachers, Tutors and Pastoral Support Team were on hand to give information about wellbeing and care for our youngest students. Thank you to the Dining Room staff for the delicious meal and to the Year 11 students who waited on our guests so courteously.



Science in action

Year 8 have been carrying out experiments to show endothermic reactions.



Creative writing with Theatr Clwyd

'The Unexpected' was an inspiring theme for the students who attended the recent creative writing workshop. The event was organised by Theatr Clwyd and presented by writer, Branwen Davies. This was a great opportunity for some talented young writers to develop their creative skills.



Out and about in Portmeirion

GCSE Art and Design students were inspired by a visit to Portmeirion. They recorded impressions of their visit in their sketchbooks, through drawings and rubbings and by taking photographs. They will use their sketch books as a source of information back in school as they experiment with a range of materials and techniques.



Geographers study tourism in Llandudno

Tourism was the focus of the Geography field trip to Llandudno, with a challenge to students to evaluate its impact on the Welsh economy. Year 11 students used techniques they had learnt in school to collect valuable data in the field.



Learning about General Haig at Glyndwr University

History students were delighted to accept an invitation to attend an evening lecture at Glyndwr University. The subject was General Haig, a familiar topic for these students as they prepare for their GCSE Examinations.

Theatr Clwyd performance

Actors from Theatr Clwyd helped students to understand some difficult issues that could have an impact on their personal lives. The students were the first to experience this hard-hitting performance, providing feedback to the cast to help them to develop the programme for use in other schools.



Football

Well done to the Year 8 football team who played very well in the Welsh Cup game against St David's High School. Da iawn.



Netball

Year 8 girls played an excellent match against Castell Alun High School. Well done to you all. Da iawn pawb.



Macmillan Appeal

Students and staff gave generously to support the Macmillan Appeal. The Base Cake Sale, organised by the Base Leading Learners, was a huge success. We raised nearly £100 in one break time. Fantastic! Bendigedig!

Elfed News

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School is closed for holidays from Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2016 and re-opens for students on Monday 31st October 2016.



County Athletics

Forty Elfed High School students competed in the Flintshire County Athletics. Everyone gave their all and competed at the highest level. Among many impressive achievements were Abbey Young who is now the County Champion in hurdles and Keiran Williams was the runner up in the shot put. Well done to all the athletes who took part, your behaviour and commitment were phenomenal.



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.