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Year 11 Progress Files

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Congratulations to our Year 11 students who received their progress files during a very special presentation event that was attended by parents, carers and friends.

The Progress Files were presented by the Chair of Governors at Elfed High School, Mr Ray Wells, and Cheryl Powick, a former student and Director of a global consultancy firm.

Diolch yn fawr. Thank you to Year 11 students for your contribution to Elfed High School over the past five years. We wish you every success in the future. Thank you also to the families and the wider community for your support for these students during their time at Elfed High School, this is much appreciated.



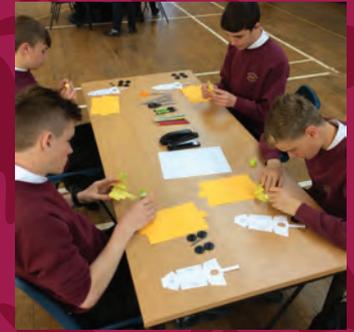
Year 7 students have designed some unique soft toys in their Design and Technology sessions. They have been busy with needles and thread, putting their design ideas into action.



Forensic science skills helped families to solve a crime in a scenario set up as part of the Elfed Extra Families programme. Two science laboratories were taken over for the evening by students with their parents, carers and siblings, learning scientific investigation techniques and putting them into practice.



Airbus Engineering Awareness Day



Students in Year 9 were inspired by an event at the Airbus Learning Centre, followed by an interesting tour of the A320 and the A330 wing-making factoring. Engineering Education Scheme Wales then worked with students to make model Formula One cars. The experience inspired students to find out more about careers in Science, Technology and Engineering.



Da iawn! Well done to all Year 6 pupils, and their families, who completed the Egg Hunt at Elfed High School!

Our guests made their way around school, completing challenges in each department in order to get their chocolate egg at the end of the hunt! This event gave families the opportunity to get to know students and members of staff before their sons or daughters starts their education in Year 7 in September 2017.



Levi Tafari, a Rastafarian poet, visited Elfed High School to inspire students to get creative

Students from Drury, Mountain Lane, Southdown and Westwood discussed the concept of memories and used that as a basis for writing their own poems.

The groups wrote some impressive pieces and impressed Levi by performing some of them for him and their peers.



All Year 9 students benefitted from a visit to Theatr Clwyd for an interactive performance, based on expressing emotions and understanding feelings. Students and staff were involved in the performance, creating a very enjoyable event for all involved.

Immersion Morning activities provided some excellent opportunities for learning

The event involved guest speakers and many enjoyable activities to develop the students' personal and social awareness and understanding. Da iawn pawb! Well done, everyone!



Members of ELFED Youth Theatre were invited to Theatr Clwyd, Mold for a drama workshop and tour

The workshop was led by the Director of Creative Engagement, Gwennan Jones, who played a series of skill-based games before developing an abstract piece of performance art with the students. In less than an hour, the group had devised a movement piece based on the idea of favourite places within the room.

This was an excellent opportunity for Elfed Youth Theatre who thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Diolch yn fawr, Theatr Clwyd! Thank you very much!





'Awards for All' grant from the National Lottery

Elfed High School has been successful in their bid for an 'Awards for All' grant funded by the National Lottery. We have purchased new digital equipment to develop students' knowledge of health and fitness.

In Year 10, each student has used the heart rate monitors to help record their resting heart rate, working heart rate and recovery rate in order for all students to discuss the benefits. They have used iPads, TV's and Apple TV to see how they are progressing at each stage of the lesson and it is a great visual aid for students to compare themselves to other members of the group. Having this equipment has certainly engaged all students and made the group more focussed in lessons.

Athletics and tennis will be the focus of our PE lessons this term. We are fortunate to have excellent facilities for sport, providing opportunities for all students to develop their skills and their interest in a wide variety of activities.



The Year 7 Rugby Team took part in the recent Flintshire festival. They showed a really positive attitude and excellent team work. Well done. Da iawn.

Do you provide your child with a packed lunch every day?

If so, there are some great ideas for healthy lunches on this webpage: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life-beta/healthier-lunchboxes>

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School is closed for the holidays for a week, starting on Monday 29th May 2017.

We are open again for students on Monday 5th June 2017.



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