



# Summer Year 9 Newsletter



## 👋 Goodbye Key Stage 3 👋

As Year 9 students, we are moving into Year 10 and taking on more responsibility. We have chosen our GCSE options and will spend Years 10 and 11 studying them. This responsibility is important and could shape our future. As we move forward, we will learn new skills, face new challenges, and discover more about what we want to do in the future. It's an exciting step and marks the start of a new chapter for all of us.



Relay for Life took place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of June with all year groups attending.

Harmony started Relay for Life in primary school and Ms Hobbs and the P.E. team have continued it in Cwmbran High. We also ended up raising £2075 instead of raising £1884. Well done to everyone who supported, donated and participated in the event!



All the years together took part and had 1 hour each to get as many laps as they could while 1 person holding the baton and from time to time passing it around to other people. There were refreshments that you could spend money on which also went to Cancer Research UK, all together we raised lots of money.



# MAT - More Able and Talented



MAT aspiration sessions, run by SEREN, focused on resilience and passion with year 7, encountering challenge and mindset with year 8 and aspiration and why it matters with year 9. Dr Perkins has said “we put on a task for the students to figure out a crime scene using their general knowledge while also using teamwork. At the end they worked together and presented thier final piece”

All year the Kindness Value group have been busy fundraising for St David’s Hospice. At Christmas time, pupils and staff came together in festive clothing to raise over £300. They also raised a extra £350 from raffle tickets sold at the school productions. Outstanding work!



## Successful Spytty Sports Day!



We celebrate Sports Day to promote physical fitness, encourage active lifestyles, and foster community spirit through healthy competition. Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 competed. We travelled to Spytty stadium for the event and 7M, 8M, 9R and 10R won the form awards for having the most points in each year. Overall an amazing experience where pupils demonstrated resilience, positivity, kindness and respect!





## New Sports Facilities

This term a new 3G was built with a £1.2 million grant. The pupils are very grateful for the 3G as it gives them an experience that is not available to most schools. And big thanks to all of the staff that helped out with the 3G.



## Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to Theo.J, Jacob.L and Fin.C on winning the dragons plate final. You all did really well, as a school we are so proud of their achievements! They have shown our school value of Resilience and kept pushing through the hard work.



## Amazing Athletics

Well done to the year 9 pupils that participated at the schools athletics club at Leckwith. There was many excellent individuals taking part and representing the school. All pupils are extremely talented and remarkable at what they do.



## Resilient Running

Miss Agar and Miss Ayling did the Caerphilly 10k run fundraiser to support Branfest for us pupils. Thank these two very much and well done for keeping it up! We would love to thank them for raising this money so we can have a great time at Branfest!





# LEGALLY BLONDE



## Key dates

17<sup>th</sup> July - Branfest

1st Sep - Inset

2nd Sep -  
Staggered start

16th Sep - Sport  
award evening

26th to 30th Oct -  
Half term

7th Nov - Laser  
show

14th to 15th Dec -  
School show

14th Dec - Xmas  
lunches

21st Dec to 1st Jan  
- Xmas break



Legally Blonde was an amazing show and everyone who attended said it was great and that they loved it, may we also give a huge thanks to Mrs Peduzzi and Mr Trace for making the whole show happen and a massive well done to the whole cast; they were outstanding! We are so excited for the next one.

## We Welcome New Teachers in September.

Rhys Redman- Science  
Romilly Watkins -Science  
Nathan Jones - Computing  
Rachel Crane - Head of Phase (Yrs 8 & 9) Teaches English/Drama  
Katie Thomas - English  
Adrian Blair - Mathematics and Numeracy Lead  
Abi Bingham - Humanities  
Jordan Nasser - Cymraeg and Science  
Llinos Iannetta - Cymraeg  
Eleanor Marsh - Science  
Kelly Thomas- Head of Phase (Yrs 10 & 11) and Teacher of MFL  
Joanna Evans - AHT/ALNCo

## And Say A Fond Farewell To Others...

We won't forget the amazing experiences these teachers gave us - we hope you feel the same way as we do and farewell!

Marc Chapman  
John Pearce  
Cas Smith  
Humayra Aamir  
Gemma Summerfield  
Tegan Thomas  
Eleanor Gros  
Rachel Yeoman

Positivity

Resilience

Creativity

Kindness

Respect