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PENYRHEOL

Comprehensive School

Friday 2nd May 2025

Headteacher's Fortnightly Letter – Number 13

Dear Parent/Carer,

Since the last Headteacher's letter, we have had a Year 10 Art Trip and our Year 10 BTEC Sport pupils have sat their online exams. Years 7 to 9 have started their national tests (sat online). We enjoyed a fantastic Autism Awareness day before the Easter Holiday and we raised hundreds of pounds for an Autism Charity through a non-uniform day. This successful day was organised by Eluned, one of Year 10 pupils.

We also ran a very successful ski trip to France over Easter. The pupils' behaviour was exceptional and they enjoyed every minute of the experience.



Today, our Welsh Department are taking a number of our pupils to Llangrannog for the weekend. We hope the weather stays as good as it has been during this week.

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Sporting News



Past pupil Jayden Maybank was selected to represent Wales U18's in a six nations festival in France over the Easter break. He was involved in wins against Ireland, Georgia and Italy!

A huge congratulations to all our pupils who participated in the Afan Nedd Tawe schools athletics championships earlier in the week! As a team we achieved a significant number of top 6 finalists. Some notable performances included:

Caitlyn Anthony - 3rd 100m and 200m Final

Sophia Edward's - 3rd 100m Final

Sam Jones - 2nd High Jump

Tom Apsimon - 3rd 400m Hurdles

Michael Agboola - 4th 100m Final

Felix Jenkins - 4th 100m Final

Billy Brown - 4th Shot Put

In Girls' football, our U13s have the Swansea school girls semi-finals next Tuesday against Bryntawe. Parents./carers are welcome to come and support.

Our U15 girls have qualified for the Swansea school girls final against Cefn Hengoed. Pob lwc to both teams!

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Pawb – what is it?

Earlier this year, we ran a survey for parents/carers on wellbeing. From this survey, it became clear that a number of parents/carers don't know what Pawb is and how it can support your child's wellbeing. To put that right, we have made a short video, starring our brilliant pupils where we explain what Pawb is and all the different ways it supports pupils. The link to the video is here:

<https://penyrheol-comp.net/news/pawb-video>

Core Value Hot Chocolate Friday



On Thursday 10th April, I was joined by Jacob (Year 7), Eva (Year 8), Lily (Year 9), Tom (Year 10) and Emma (Year 11).

Jacob and Emma were nominated for the Core Value of **Respect**.

Lily and Eva were nominated for the Core Value of **Thrive**.

Tom was nominated for the Core Value of **Belong**.

These pupils have embodied our core values over the last 2 weeks. Congratulations to all our winners.

Who will it be next time?

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Standards

Attendance over the last two weeks has stayed at 87% Wherever possible, please ensure your child attends school. Missing school means missing out on learning.

Parents/carers can track their child's achievement and behaviour points on the ClassCharts app. The information below shows the average achievement and behaviour points that a pupil in each year group has accrued **over the last two school weeks**. This may be a useful comparison when you look at your child's points.

Year	Achievement Points	Behaviour Points
7	19	1.2
8	17	1.7
9	15.2	1.6
10	7	1.8
11	9	0.5

Over the last two school weeks, the average Penyrheol pupil has achieved over 9 achievement points for every behaviour point awarded.

As always, thank you to all parents/carers for their continued support.

Yours faithfully,



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Appendix

What's happening in the next two weeks

Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 6 th May	Year 11 Organised Revision Sessions (until May 23 rd) Year 11 Art/Photography Exam
Wednesday 7 th May	Year 11 Art/Photography Exam
Thursday 8 th May	Year 10 Reports: Subject Comments Completed
Friday 9 th May	'Learning with the Lords' Pupil Event 1:00 -3:00 pm
Monday 12 th May	Year 9 Summative Assessment Week/Fortnight
Tuesday 13 th May	
Wednesday 14 th May	
Thursday 15 th May	
Friday 16 th May	