



Ysgol Gymunedol Llangatwg Llangatwg Community School

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Friday, 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your family are well and you've had a good week.

The weather certainly hasn't been on our side this week, but we haven't allowed this to dampen our spirits. Our pupils have worked incredibly hard and once again produced some brilliant pieces of work across the curriculum.

This week, I'd like to highlight the fantastic work completed by some of our Year 11 pupils as part of their SWEET vocational qualification. As part of their learning, they've been developing essential First Aid skills, with a particular focus on the DR ABC primary survey – a structured approach used to assess an unresponsive casualty. DR ABC stands for Danger, Response, Airway, Breathing, and Circulation, and helps first responders quickly identify and manage life-threatening conditions. Pupils have learned how to ensure the scene is safe, assess responsiveness, check the airway and breathing, and identify any severe bleeding – all crucial steps before professional medical help arrives. They've also been taught how to place someone in the recovery position, a vital skill that can help protect lives in emergency situations. These are incredibly important life skills, and we're proud of the commitment our pupils have shown. Looking ahead, we're keen to explore ways to make First Aid training available to all our pupils, helping them feel confident and prepared to respond in real-life situations.



I'd also like to take a moment to celebrate the incredible progress made by one of our Year 8 pupils, Sienna, who has shown outstanding effort and dedication this term—particularly in Art. This week, Year 8 pupils have been exploring the work of Kyffin Williams, and Sienna has produced a fantastic piece inspired by his distinctive style. Her creativity and attention to detail really stood out:



Well done, Sienna! We're so proud of your hard work and artistic talent.

Finally, our Year 7 pupils have completed some excellent work in Health and Wellbeing this week around personal hygiene, particularly dental hygiene. Check out some of their amazing posters promoting positive dental hygiene:



I was particularly impressed with the effort made by 7C's Lucia who produced a fantastic poster - Well done Lucia!



Notices:

1. Year 10 English Language GCSE – Individual Presentation Assessment

Next week, our Year 10 pupils will be completing their individual spoken presentations as part of their English Language GCSE. This assessment contributes 10% of their final grade, so it's essential that all pupils give it their very best effort. To support your child's success, please ensure they attend school every day next week. This will allow them to take part in vital preparation sessions and attend their scheduled assessment slot without disruption. Thank you for your continued support.

2. Scholastic Book Fair – Week Beginning October 6th

We're excited to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair will be held at school during the week beginning **Monday, October 6th**. Pupils will have the opportunity to browse and purchase books of their choice during **break and lunch times** throughout the week.

Payment Options:

- **Pre-paid vouchers:** Parents can purchase a voucher in advance and send it in with their child.
- **QR code:** Pupils can pay using a QR code available at the fair.
- **Cash:** Pupils may also pay with cash on the day.

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Finally, I'd like to thank parents and carers for your continued support with school uniform. We're pleased to see that nearly all pupils are now attending school in the correct uniform, which helps promote a sense of pride and belonging in our school community.

Thank you again for helping us maintain high standards.

Have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes,

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