

A few words from the Headteacher: I would like to wish you all a wonderful holiday after a very busy term here at Ysgol Eifionydd. There were a large number of activities during the term including the successful Geography trip to Sorrento, the Sports Day, the Awards Evening and Prom, the primary transition days and a week of Work Experience.

Estyn inspectors visited the school and found many strengths, particularly in terms of wellbeing, attitudes to learning, care, support and guidance as well as highlighting specific areas for us to continue to improve within teaching and learning experiences.

We will be saying farewell to Mr. Medwyn Williams, Mrs. Sharon Roberts and Mr. Ifer Jones at the end of the year and I would like to wish them all a happy retirement and thank them for all the years of service at the school. I would also like to wish Mr. Gareth Hughes good luck following his promotion. We will be welcoming Mrs Mary Baillot as the new head of the Maths Department. Mrs. Baillot is a former pupil of Ysgol Eifionydd. GCSE Music will be provided by Mr. Emry Rees an A Level tutor from Coleg Meirion Dwyfor whilst Miss Llio Dudley will provide Music lessons for Years 7 to 9. Fortunately for the school, Miss Dudley has an Honours Degree in Performing in Music and Drama. We are also lucky that Mrs. Ann Roberts will fulfil the role of the Additional Learning Needs Co-ordinator with the support of Mrs. Laura Hughes. Mrs. Roberts already works closely with many of the pupils.

Happy and safe holidays to you all.

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On Friday 21st of June some year 7 pupils spent an interesting hour in the company of the historian Mr. John Dilwyn Williams. They were given the history of the evacuees that stayed in Porthmadog during World War II and also had the opportunity to see some of the periodicals from that time.



Year 10 Tour from Porthmadog to Pompeii

Once again this July 34 enthusiastic pupils and four members of staff began a guided Geographical trip for GCSE Geography and some other pupils. The trip awarded a wealth of experiences culture and enjoyment amongst friends. A trip to Sorrento, Italy visiting Vesuvius volcano and its unique bowl crater; Herculaneum and Pompeii, Capri's fascinating island before ending the trip with a visit to the port of Sorrento itself with its narrow, ancient streets and luxurious shops. We visited numerous restaurants and tasted a variety of meals from pasta to pizza to Parma ham. A memorable, enjoyable journey.



As part of the Induction scheme from Primary to Secondary, members of the School Council has been visiting catchment primary schools to talk to year 6 pupils. Year 6 pupils were given the opportunity to ask the School Council about any concerns they may have.

Gwynedd Secondary Language Strategy

Pupils from Year 8 have been busy designing a Logo for the Gwynedd Secondary Language Strategy which is a project by the council to ensure a sound continuity of the Language Charter implemented in the primary schools. The strategy leader is Mrs. Carys Lake and she came to talk to the pupils which resulted in a logo that combined a number of the pupil's ideas. Pupils from Ysgol Eifionydd and pupils from the Secondary Language Centre were also selected for the photo for the cover of the Language Strategy.

Prize Giving and Prom Bl.11

On Friday, June 15th, Ysgol Eifionydd's annual awards evening was held at Porthmadog Golf Club, Morfa Bychan. Awards were presented at the beginning of the evening followed by a buffet and disco. All the pupils looked fantastic and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thank you very much to everyone who helped make this a successful special evening for Year 11 to celebrate the end of their school career.



Rewarding Success

In accordance with the school's Award Scheme, pupils who have managed to collect nine sails during the year had a trip to Cineworld, Llandudno Junction. The tour celebrated the success of those pupils from year 7, 8 and 9 who have been excellent throughout the year in terms of respect, punctuality and effort as well as those who had 100% attendance. Well done.



On Friday, July 6th, Elin Roberts, Year 8 supported by Efa Jones, Emma Buckley, Chloe Fensome and Morgan Poppy Lane organised a cake selling stand in the school foyer to collect money towards Little Princess Trust. The girls managed to raise £80 towards this charity. Well done.