



Ysgol Gyfun Bryntirion | 
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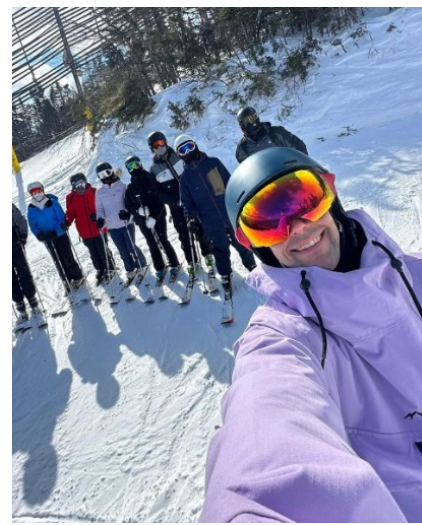


Senior Ski Trip—Waterville Valley / New York

During Half Term the Bryntirion Senior Ski Trip was an unforgettable experience for the students, filled with adventure, learning, and memorable moments. They spent five exhilarating days skiing in the picturesque mountains of Waterville Valley, honing their skills on the slopes while embracing the thrill of winter sports. Beyond the physical challenge, they developed teamwork, resilience, and confidence in an alpine setting.

After their ski adventure, the students travelled to New York City, where they explored some of the city's most iconic landmarks. They visited Ground Zero, a place of deep historical significance, fostering reflection and appreciation for the resilience of those affected by past events. At Summit One Vanderbilt, they were treated to stunning panoramic views of the city skyline, offering a unique perspective of the bustling metropolis. A stroll through Central Park provided a perfect contrast, allowing them to unwind in the heart of one of the world's most famous urban green spaces plus many other landmarks.

The trip was a chance for students to bond, gain new experiences, and immerse themselves in both nature and culture. They returned home with not only cherished memories but also a broader perspective of the world around them. Big thank you to Mr Allinson and the support staff for organising such a wonderful trip.



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Senior Football Team Success

Congratulations to our senior football team on an outstanding 4-0 victory in their semi-final. A fantastic performance from the whole squad has secured their place in the Welsh Cup final.

A huge well done to all the players, coaches, and supporters who have been part of this journey. Let's keep the momentum going and finish the competition on a high.

The final awaits – let's bring it home!



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Senior Football Team Success

A big congratulations to the girls football team, who are through to Cwpan Penybont final after their convincing win recently over Porthcawl. A great game of football in the sunshine and both teams were a credit to their school due their sportsmanship



Well done to the U12 Hockey Team who recently competed in the Welsh Cup South Wales Regionals.



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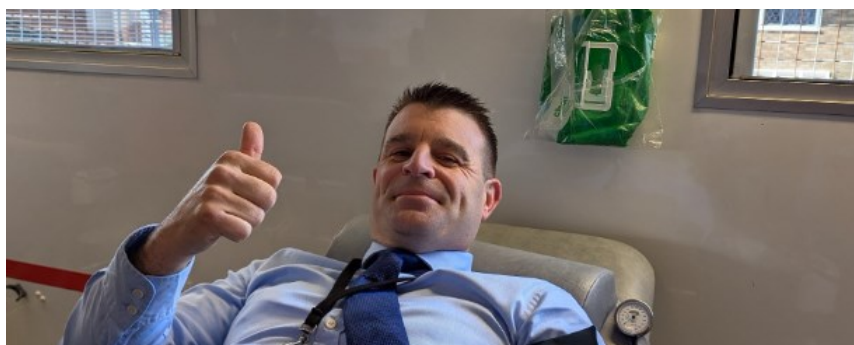
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Welsh Blood Service

A big thank you to our Sixth form students, staff and Bryntirion Alumni who have been supporting The Welsh Blood Service in our recent Blood Donation Day, including 21 first time donors.

Along with these donations we had 66 new registrations for the Welsh Bone Marrow Donation Registry which is fantastic.



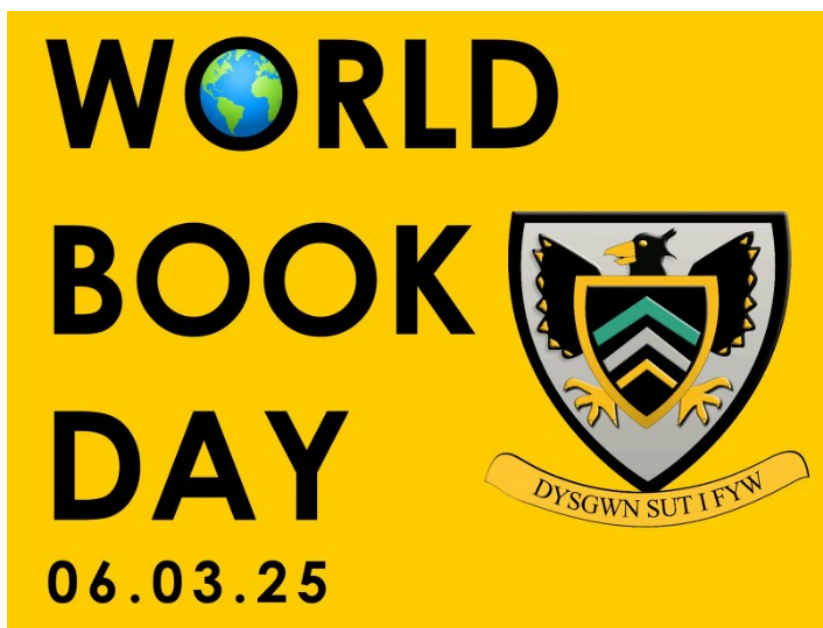
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World Book Day

The school recently celebrated World Book Day. This is an annual celebration of authors, illustrators, books and the joy of reading. Here at Bryntirion we continuously highlight the importance of reading to our pupils. As part of Book Week pupils in Years 7, 8 & 9 have all been offered a free book and voucher!



Talks with Industry

Our Year 11 students have been learning about the many career opportunities available to them after leaving school. The image (left) shows representatives from the construction company Korbuild and Blue Water Recruitment. The image (right) shows the Centre Managers of Bridgend Designer Outlet who taught our students about Customer Service & Guest Experience.



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School Show—Miss Saigon

What an incredible week we had in April as we proudly staged our stunning production of *Miss Saigon*. With four performances across three days, our talented students and dedicated staff poured their hearts and souls into every moment – and it showed. This was a true community effort, with every element of the production, from lighting and sound design to the orchestra and backstage work, delivered entirely by pupils and school staff.

The orchestra and on stage performers delivered a phenomenal live performance each night, capturing the emotional depth and power of the score with real skill and professionalism. Their contribution was nothing short of breathtaking, and they rightly received huge praise from our audiences.

We were thrilled to welcome enthusiastic crowds each night, with many audience members so blown away by the show that they returned to see it again. The licensed bar and tuck shop added to the vibrant atmosphere, helping to create a real buzz around the whole event.

Behind the scenes, our cast and crew worked tirelessly, and by the final curtain, every single one of them was absolutely shattered – but the memories they've made will last a lifetime. The teamwork, spirit of unity, and sheer joy radiating from the students was infectious. They've had the best time bringing this show to life, and we couldn't be prouder of what they've achieved.

We want to wish a huge congratulations to the cast: their talent, kindness and commitment really made this the spectacular event it was. We are unbelievably proud of each and every one of them.

Miss Saigon has been an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. What a show, what a week, and truly – what a cast!

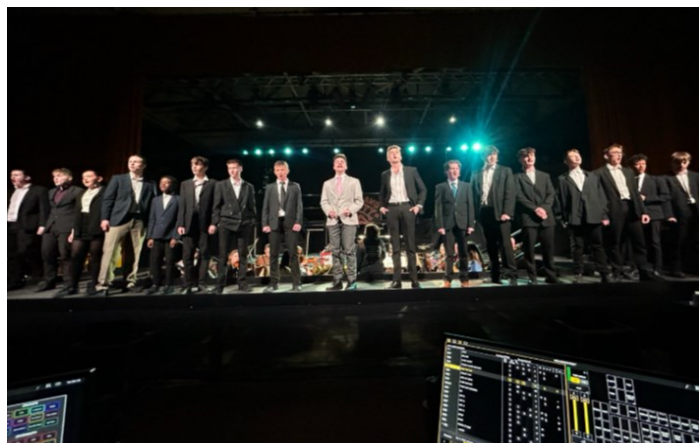


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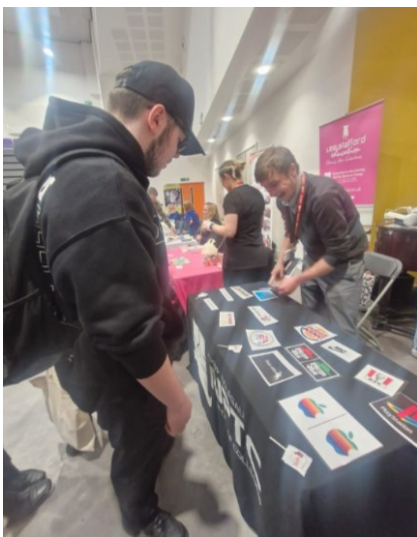
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The Hive

Year 11 Careers Fair

Mrs Perkins and Miss Sayce took a group of year 11 pupils to a careers event in Ysgol Bae Baglan. During the event, pupils had the opportunity to speak to businesses about career prospects and take part in activities with Carys Phillips won four tickets to the upcoming Wales V All Blacks rugby game!



Lego Club and Board Game Club

We have recently introduced a new Board Game Club on Wednesdays with Miss Braham and Mrs Davenport after school for years 7 and 8 pupils which is growing in popularity and also Lego Club with Mrs Kay and Mrs Trevelyan continues to be well attended every Thursday. We have recently received lots of new Lego sets which have been popular.



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Helping Hands

Mrs Davies and Miss Batten have both been very busy preparing this year's Helping Hands programme for the year 6 pupils who will be joining us in September. They were joined by pupils from Maes Yr Haul, Llangewydd, Pen-y-Fai who came in to school to meet some of the Hive team and help them with the transition process. We are looking forward to seeing them for a few more Helping Hands sessions before they join us in September.

Spring Drawing Competition

We held our termly art competition where pupils were invited to draw any spring related pictures. Standards were extremely high and we had more entries than we had for our Christmas themed event. Everyone who entered had a Freddo and the top three had an Easter egg. Ollie Gundy came 3rd with his fantastic sheep picture, Miah Thurlow came 2nd with her drawing of herself and Stevie wearing bunny ears and Scarlett Undery came in 1st place with her Easter chick drawing. Thank you to Max and Stevie for comparing the results and to Mrs Davenport for organising the competition.



Year 13 Psychology Lesson On Autism

Mrs Richards and Mrs Davenport went into the Year 13 Psychology class to share their expertise and experiences of Autism. We have also been celebrating Autism Acceptance Month during April.

Hive Parents Evening

We held our first Hive parents evening this term where parents were invited in to discuss interventions with Mrs Davenport and Mrs Perkins. Around 50 parents came in and feedback was positive and will become an annual event

