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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Parents Online Safety Information Evening: Thank you to all parents / guardians that attended our Online Safety information evening. It is essential that we work in partnership to teach our children how to be safe online. Here is a link to a resource explaining Online Safety: [Online Safety - Hwb](#) See also a valuable link to a resource explaining the various apps that children access: [APP guides for families - Hwb](#)

Night at the Races – Cyfeillion Glantaf on Friday 24 November at 7pm: Please join us for our *Friends of Glantaf* fundraising event at Whitchurch Tennis Club. Tickets are available on ParentPay, priced @ £10 and we look forward to a special evening to meet new members and all in aid of supporting the school.



Un Bore Mawrth: Glantaf drama production, 28-30 November: Book now to ensure your seats in this year's Drama production, "*Un Bore Mawrth*". This GCSE Drama set-play, adapted by former pupil and renowned playwright, Daf James is based on "an ordinary Tuesday", that turns really, really weird when the sky over the school playground suddenly rips open! Tickets are on sale on Parentpay, or by contacting School Reception.

Flu Nasal Spray Immunisation – 7&8 December: Yrs 7-11: Here is the link to the parent letter - [Letter - Flu Vaccine.docx](#). It is essential that you complete the registration form that is explained within the letter. If registration has not been completed your child will not be able to have the flu vaccine.

Upcoming events:

20/11/23	INSET – school closed for pupils
23/11/23	Yr13 Parents Evening (Glantaf) 3.30-6pm
24/11/23	Night at the Races – Cyfeillion Glantaf at Whitchurch Tennis Club @ 7pm
28-30/11	"Un Bore Mawrth" Drama production at Glantaf – tickets available on ParentPay!

Congratulations to the School Senedd Representatives:

Year 7 – Harri Rees and Lorelai Mantle
Year 8 – Leo Pill and Harry Watt
Year 9 – Harri Jones and Amos Goncalves
Year 10 – Antonio Corrado, Enlli Catalina a Gruff Harrison
Year 11 – Nia Ronchetti, Harri Martin and Momoko Lee

Student Health and Wellbeing Survey (SHRN Questionnaire): All pupils will be completing the Student Health and Wellbeing Survey. We enclose a link to a letter of explanation to the survey: [Llythyr - Letter .docx](#) If for any reason that you do not want your child to be part of the survey can you please contact (newisr@hwbcymru.net).

South Wales Welsh Schools Orchestra Project: Congratulations to the forty Glantaf pupils involved in the project and who also performed at the Wales Millennium Centre this week.

Food Hampers: We kindly ask for your support once again for our hamper appeal to support local families at a challenging time of year. Letter explaining our campaign to create hampers: [Food Hampers.pdf](#)



6th Form presenting a cheque to the 2 Wish charity

PC Liaison Officer (PC Mirain Davies): Thank you to PC Mirain Davies for visiting the school and delivering a presentation on Online Safety to our Year 7 pupils. PC Mirain Davies has also delivered presentations to our Year 8, 9 and 10 pupils during the first half term.



Presentation by PC Mirain Davies

We would like to remind you of the importance of your child's attendance at school.

Regular attendance is essential to the academic and social development of our learners. We therefore kindly ask you to encourage your child to come to school every day.

- A 95%-100% attendance percentage gives the best chance of success.
- In a school year, 85-90% attendance means your child loses at least 4 weeks of learning which can lead to underachievement and the need for extra support.
- Under 80% means your child loses at least 7 ½ weeks of learning which obviously has a significant impact on learning.

Year 11, 12 and 13 – Mock Examinations: Pupils have received their timetable of examinations this week.

Year 11 – Start on 13/12/23 and Finish on 19/12/23.

Year 12 – Start on 11/12/23 and Finish on 18/12/23.

Year 13 – Start on 8/12/23 and Finish on 19/12/23.



Business Forum Meeting

Business Forum Meeting: Thanks to all our partners for attending and contributing in planning various activities throughout the year that will enrich our pupils learning opportunities. (Cardiff Commitment, Willmott Dixon, Stable, Pepper Money, Cardiff and Vale Health Board, Companies House, ISG Construction, Rio Architects, Kier Construction, Maggie's and Careers Wales)

Careers Wales – Interview Skills Workshop: Thanks to Careers Wales for their support in helping prepare our Year 11 pupils for the world of work. This is the second visit in the preparation for Year 11 - Mock Interviews at the start of December. Thanks to one of our Business Forum Partners – Willmott Dixon for also contributing to the workshop.



Careers Wales – Interview Skills Workshop

Cerdd Dant Festival Cardiff 2023 – Last Saturday's achievements: Warm congratulations to those pupils who competed at the Cerdd Dant festival, last Saturday and for some notable achievements:

- 3rd - Parti Cerdd Dant Glantaf
- 3rd - Cor Gwerin Glantaf
- 3rd - Grwp Cerdd Dant - Grwp Ela (with Plasmawr)
- 3rd - Ensemble Telyn - Ben a Faith Manville-Parry



BroPlasTaf Cerdd Dant Choir



Glantaf Folk Group

Specialist Resource Unit - Garden: Thanks to ISG Construction one of our Business Forum Partners for coming in and helping to improve the garden in our Specialist Resource Unit.

Finally, it was good to welcome 2Wish charity to a special assembly to present a 6th form contribution of £4045.35 towards their sterling work with families. As always if you need further information, please contact the school and follow our X account @Ysgol_Glantaf

Yn gywir

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ISG staff and the Special Resource Unit Pupils hard at work!