

# **TUDOR TIMES**

Latest News and Updates from Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School





# Welcome

It is always a treat to receive the news to go into the Tudor Times, it's a great reminder of what fabulous pupils, students and staff we have in Henry Tudor School. This half term seems to have flown by but we still have a newsletter filled with achievements. Great to have such positive news

**Sporting News** 

# **Athletics**

On Monday 23rd May the PE department took pupils from years 7, 8, 9 and 10 to compete in the NAS Athletics Event in Carmarthen competing against all the secondary schools of Pembrokeshire.



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### **Boys Team**

Event	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Boys	Year 9 Boys	Year 10 Boys
Long Jump	Jamie Laxton	Max Wheeler	Kian Evans 👸	Liam Mullins 🔼
Triple Jump		Warren Price	Connor Newton	
High Jump	Milan Dihiier		Lewis Dennison	Rhys Daley
Shot	Terence Makridakis	Charlie Measey	Cade Wicks	
Discuss		Charlie Measey	Cade Wicks	Cody Bratcher
Javelin		Lewis Mason 2		Cody Bratcher
Hammer			Cade Wicks	Zak Shaw 2
3000m				James Harris
Travelling Sub	Evan Clark		Reece Costello	

### **Girls Team**

Event	Year 7 Girls	Year 8 Girls	Year 9 Girls 🌘	Year 10/11 Girls
75 m Hurdles	Maisie James 🔼	Tegan Harts	Ava Midgely	Kara Williams
1500m	Keira Bruce 🔱	Skye Bruce 🍈	Carys Kenniford	0
200m		Maddie John	Izzy Rome 🔼	
300m			Izzy Rome 🔼	Paige Nicholls
100m	Kiera Bruce	Imogen Grey	Izzy Rome 🔼	Kara Williams
800m	<b>Connie Lewis</b>	Mia Davies	Abi Nicholls	
Relay			Abi Nicholls	
			Izzie Rome	
			Mylia Webb	
			Carys Kenniford	
Long Jump	Kiera Bruce	Imogen Grey	Mylia Webb	Caitlin Chapman
Triple Jump		(	Carys Kenniford	Kara Williams
High Jump	Maisie James	Nancy Bate	Carys Kenniford	Paige Nicholls
Shot	Connie Lewis	🚺 Tayla Evans 🧳	Sophie Lewis	Mollie John
Discuss	,	Tayla Evans	Sophie Lewis	Mollie John
Javelin	Tillie John	Ashlee Evans 🧃	Ava Midgley	Mollie John
Hammer				Caitlin Chaplin 2

The pupils all performed well. All the pupil's results contributed to Henry Tudor coming sixth out of the ten schools who entered and the Year 9 girls won their age group. **Congratulations everyone!** 

### **Sporting News**

# **Cricket**

**Bowyn Clark** has recently been selected for Cricket Wales West Under 15's performance team and **Lewis Mason** has been selected for the Cricket Wales West Under 13's performance team.

Anna May has been selected for Cricket Wales West U13's Girls team.

Selection for these representative teams is an excellent achievement.

The teams will be playing against other Welsh regions and opponents from England.

Congratulations and good luck in your upcoming matches.

# Crossfit



Crossfit is the latest fitness craze and YHT are leading the way with competitions. Sports leader **Sophie Lewis Y9** entered the first Crossfit secondary school games put on by Sport Pembrokeshire and Crossfit Pembrokeshire and came 1st against all other schools in Pembrokeshire. Sophie has recently gone to help with the Primary Schools Crossfit games where she was a judge for that competition. Sophie has great potential as a sports leader for YHT and as a Crossfit competitor, roll on the secondary schools competition in July.

We look forward to sharing more of our success stories in the very near future.

Thank you, The Literacy Intervention Team! **Joanna Bradley** *Literacy Teaching Assistant* 





Other volunteers on the day came from the sports leaders training day which was completed with Dylan Rees' Sports Studies class and both Cara Williams and Caitlin Chapman were fantastic candidates who showed great promise throughout the training . They were brilliant volunteers and jumped straight into the Crossfit scene.



Thank you to all the Sports Leaders. We are very lucky to have them and there is great potential for them to be young ambassadors next year.

### **Sporting News**

# **Cycling**

Mrs Rachel Edwards has recently completed both the Carten and the Tour of Pembrokeshire.

She smashed the 100 mile Cardiff to Tenby bike ride in just over 8 hours and the following week she was one of the first riders home, completing the 24 mile course around in Pembrokeshire in around 1 hour 45 mins.

Bendigedig Mrs Edwards!!



### **Dance**

There was a UK Street Dance Challenge in Alton Towers over the weekend of 13th May, this challenge was established in 2015 and aims to provide fun and friendly street dance competitions. It is now one of the biggest street dance organisations in the UK.

Pupils from YHT attended the competition and won the Duo and Team Dance category.

Great work and congratulations to the following pupils

Duo Winners
Mia Davies yr 8 & Grace Glanville Yr 7

Team Dance winners

Mia Davies, Grace Glanville, Molli Sharkey yr 8, Freya Cook yr 7, Jess Powell yr 9

(Still undefeated in Dyfed!!)



Last week BE FOOTBALL ran a sports leaders course and six promising football leaders represented YHT at this event and learned a lot. As a result of this look out for a new girl's football team that will be starting after half term. Have the shot (Henry Tudor School)

Our sports leaders are, Ruby Blaney (yr 7), Tia- Leigh Bennett (yr 9), Skye Brown (yr 8), Alexi Colley (yr 8), Maddie James (yr 10), Beth Chapman (yr 8)



Four YHT pupils took on the role of football referees at a primary school football tournament. The tournament had mixed teams of boys and girls from primary schools all over Pembrokeshire. It was a challenging job as a referee keeping up with the kids and refereeing back to back sessions. Well done Caleb Evans Y8, Kai Small Y8, Leo Jones Y10 and Evan Davies Y13



Mason Meaney is currently training with Cardiff
City Academy and has recently scored twice in a
3-1 win against Southampton. Mason is travelling to
Bridgend on a weekly basis to train, highlighting his
dedication. Well done Mason!

**Rhys Lewis** and **Kian Evans** Year 9 have a achieved a unique treble with Neyland U14s Football Team.

They beat Ynystawe 1-0 in the West Wales Ray Nedin Junior Cup Final at Stebonheath Park, Llanelli on Tuesday 5th April. This being the first time that the West Wales U14s Cup has been brought home to Pembrokeshire.

On Saturday 23rd April they scooped another trophy winning the U14s League Champions Cup. They play their last league game on Saturday and if they win this they will have gone undefeated all season.

On Wednesday 27th April they played Hakin in the U14s Pembrokeshire Cup Final at Marble Hall and came out deserved winners with a 4-0 win.

A huge achievement for these boys, something for them to be very proud and a part of.



# **Gymnastics**

**Jac Johnson** (yr 7) received his medal and ribbons for the first-round results of the rotary school's disability competition. Three silvers: vault 2nd, bench 2nd, floor 2nd in Platinum. **Well Done Jac!** 

# Gym

Four pupils have been chosen by MPCT to undertake their Level 2 Gym Instructor Course over the summer, they are **TJ Jones, Kez Carey, Deacon Asbury, Joshua Smith.** Well done all.

# Netball

Pembroke Netball U14's competed in the West Wales Regionals finals on Sunday 1st May. They played 4 games beating Kidwelly and Chaos but losing to Merlins and Carmarthen. They came 3rd overall. Well done to Alice Oliver, Izzie Rome, Amelie Hounsell, Carys Kenniford, Ashlee Evans, Ava Midgley, Rosie Candler.

Congratulations to **Freya Cook** U12 and Carys Kenniford U14 for being voted Pembrokeshire's players player. This has been voted for by other teams in Pembrokeshire that they have played against!! **Well done to both girls**!

# **Swimming**

**Caera Lewis** Yr 11 recently competed at the British Swimming Championships in Sheffield. She had a very successful week, improving both of her swims to finish 30th in the 200m Breaststroke and 20th in the 100m Breaststroke in the 14-17 age band in Britain.

### Welsh

Every month pupils are asked to try and use incidental Welsh in their lessons and around the school. Last month's **Seren y Mis winners** are:

Jenson John 7N2 Leo Credland 10C1
Blake Davies 8N2 Josh Smith 11N1

George Brown 9U1

### Llongyfarchiadau!!!!!

# **English**



The Year 8 Mentor Project with Monkton School has come to a close with a fantastic final session. All pupils were a credit to their schools.

# **Debate Club**

Debate club is up and running for years 7 and 8 meeting on a Thursday after school in FC08.

### **News from the LRC**



We have been enjoying the waves at Freshwater West with Outer Reef Surf School.

Learning surf skills in and out of the water and working towards our Agored Personal Skills

Development through Physical Activity qualification. We are looking forward to the water warming up a bit after half term!



The LRC has been taking part in the Greenpeace Big Plastic Count. Our Key Stage 4 learners have been using the information gathered to inform their Global Citizenship Unit in SWEET, they have also been recycling plastic bottles to grow herbs as part of their Agored Herb Garden Unit and have taken over one of the raised beds in the Wellbeing garden for more vegetables. Fingers crossed for some wonderful produce to use in their Agored Basic Food Preparation and Cooking Unit!



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### **Outstanding Work**

# **English**

#### **Winning Book Review**

A level English student **Melissa Price** (yr 12) entered and was chosen as a winner in the DylanED review competition for Swansea University, Dylan Thomas Prize award.

This is a prestigious event and she was invited to the ceremony at the Great Hall on Bay Campus to receive her award. The English department are very proud of her and she represented the school well.







# CEREMONY

YOU ARE INVITED TO SHARE THE MOMENT WHEN WE WILL ANNOUNCE OUR 2022 WINNER

THURSDAY 12<sup>™</sup> MAY 2022

RECEPTION FROM 6.30 PM
CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 7.00 PM PROMPT

THE GREAT HALL, SWANSEA UNIVERSITY (BAY CAMPUS)
SWANSEA SA1 BEN

DRESS: SMART

**Scarlett** in Year 8 asked to write this letter as an extension task during her English lesson.

#### Dear Ukraine

I'm very sorry for what has happened to your country. I hope you are all okay? You are all so brave. All of your young kids must be scared and all of the adults too.

I hope everyone all around our country can help and give donations. It must be so scary for you and not everyone has been lucky enough to escape. Unfortunately, some people have sadly died. Rest in Peace. I hope you will be evacuated and get out of Ukraine safely. Most people have gone all the way to Poland just to stay safe but Poland is not really a big country. I know some of you are homeless and not everyone can afford what they need. Stay strong. I can never ever imagine what it is like. One day you are all okay and the next day you all have to get out of there. I hope you will all be okay? Stay safe UKRAINE and keep fighting.

From

Scarlett Blackmore

Pupils of the Supportive Learning Centre (SLC) have been following a literacy programme called IDL. All pupils have made significant progress. Well done all involved.

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# Humanities



Alexander Davies of 8U made an excellent canva infographic on Eloudah Equiano.

CLICK ANY PICTURE TO VIEW ONLINE

# Science



Year 10 pupils **Kyle Lewis, Mamoud Taha** and **Lewis Davies** made a model of a power station as revision for their GCSE Physics exam.

# Welsh

Blwyddyn 9 – Year 9 have been learning workplace skills in Welsh and they are now able to write a CV and Letter of Application in Welsh. Ardderchog Blwyddyn 9.

# **French**

**Mason, Nel** and **Osian** (year 7) went cross-curricular in their French lesson by giving the weather forecast for the whole of Wales to a French audience. Geography, Welsh Culture and French language all in one go! **Tres Bien!** 



# Hair and Beauty Studies

Following on from Year 11's producing their final 'create and image' last month their mood boards which they did to help them in their final creation are now on display in the Community Learning Centre (CLC)



### **Hair and Beauty Studies**

Y10 Hair and Beauty pupils have been focusing on wellbeing and natural therapies. Pupils have been learning the relaxing art of head massage and understanding how to create a calming atmosphere for clients. Through this, the opportunity was realised for a collaboration with YHT construction pupils who were commissioned to create garden planters for the Salon.

Construction pupils rose to the challenge, building two wonderful wooden planters for Hair and Beauty pupils to begin growing and nurturing their own herbs and plants. Pupils will be responsible for taking care of the plants and herbs and will be learning how to use them to create their own Head massage oils and calming room sprays.

Through this process, pupils will gain a better understanding of the healing properties of every day plants and herbs and build on their natural, holistic therapy skills. A big thank you to YHT Construction pupils and a huge well done to all those involved!









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### Music

On 4th May, our year 10 GCSE music class had the opportunity to work with some award winning songwriters, in writing a song about our local community. The project was a collaboration between the Aloud Charity and the Port Authority of Milford Haven (which includes Pembroke Dock).

We worked with songwriter Alex Stacey, who has co-written with many big names (including Ed Sheeran, among others). Alex helped the group develop ideas for a song about our community and how it could improve with regard to being environmentally friendly.

On our second workshop, on May 18th, our keen singers of the school got the chance to record a final version of the new song, including filming a music video. Over 50 pupils were involved and I am certain that all of us learned something of the process of taking a song from an idea through to a final single. Keep your eyes (and ears!) open for 'If we try'; a song about our community.

### Students who took part are as follows:

Gemma Tilbury

Skye Brown

Elly Neville

Bethany Kenniford

William Pugh

Liam Clark

Martha Lecornu

Cory Shelmerdine

Calum Williams

Travis Ogleby

Zeb Colley

Grace Tilbury

Milliam Pugh

Martha Lecornu

Amelie Hounsell

Travis Ogleby

Dylan Phillips
Toby Harris
Max Wilson
Taio Boswell
Tomos ONeil

## **Mat News**

On Monday 23rd May a group of Year 7 and 8 MAT students went to Trinity St Davids University to take part in a course to use technology to solve social problems. Our students designed Apps to help with the cost of living crisis, AI to help relieve social anxiety after Covid, apps to support schools in managing food dispersal and a drone system to limit littering on our beaches.

The Talent Foundry who organised the course had this to say about our students:

I wanted to get in touch and say another massive thank you for taking part in our Powering
Transformation workshop at University of Wales Trinity Saint David this week. The feedback from
Sarah, the university, and Geraint from Dell, has all been so phenomenal, and it sounds like everyone
was thoroughly impressed by your students.

They are a real credit to the school.

### **Sixth Form News**

Five of our A 2 level chemists enjoyed a demanding day in the laboratories at Swansea University on Tuesday 26th April. A hands on opportunity to complete our A level experiments in the newly built facilities in the university. We had a great time consolidating skills, calculations and seeing first hand technology at the forefront of Science research.

Led by undergraduate, post graduates and research lecturers at the department showing our students techniques such as mass spectrometry, NMR spectrometry, Titrations, Organic and inorganic reactions as well as exam favourites of thermochemistry, kinetics and Acid base reactions. It was really useful to soak up the atmosphere of a campus university- especially on such a sunny beautiful day!

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2ND APRIL -14TH JUNE 1982 - FALKLANDS WAR



# HUMANITIES YHT





On April 2nd 1982, Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands, a remote British colony in the South Atlantic sparking a short and decisive war that grabbed international headlines Flag



Flag of the Falkland Islands



The Falkland Islands are over 8000 miles away

### Why did Argentina invade the islands?

The islands' sovereignty remains controversial - Argentina believes the islands are theirs.

Back in 1982 the Argentine government felt reclaiming the islands would unite the country and would renew support for the ruking party at that time.

### How did the UK Respond?

The British government quickly dispatched a task force consisting of over 100 ships and 9,000 troops. Their mission was to re-take the Falklands Islands and set up an exclusion

### How did the war end?

After several weeks of lighting, the large Argentine garrison at Stanley surrendered on June 14. effectively ending the conflict. It is officially a British Overseas Territory, but Argentina still claims that the Islands should be theirs.

### **FALKLAND WAR IN NUMBERS:**



255 military personnel lost

649 Argentine soldiers lost

### GO FURTHER:

Welsh Stories from the War



Port Stanley - Capital of the Falkland Islands' Around 3300 people live on the Falklands Islands.



# Leaping Lizards!!

Rehearsals are well under way for our musical Annie. The show will be on every evening from Monday 11th of July to Thursday 14th July, tickets will be released a month before the show.

"\*Annie\* tells the extraordinary story of a little orphan who ends up in the lap of luxury with depression-era billionaire Oliver Warbucks. Unlike most of the other children at Miss Hannigan's orphanage, Annie believes that her parents are still alive and will one day return to claim her. So when Mr. Warbucks offers to adopt her, she asks the most powerful man in America to help find her real mom and dad instead, and he agrees. Warbucks' whopping reward for Annie's parents attracts the attention of con artists Rooster, Lily and the wicked Miss Hannigan, who hatch a plot to kidnap Annie and take the \$50,000 reward. But don't fret: This classic family musical has a happy ending for Annie, Daddy Warbucks and the whole gang."

### Wellbeing

# **Climbing Wall Reward**

Year Seven pupils were given the opportunity to have a session on a climbing wall as a reward for positive house points this term. All pupils (and deputy head teachers!) had a very enjoyable experience.



Mr Barlow enjoying the wall

Mr Crichton showing us how it's done

# **Duke of Edinburgh**

Former pupils **Cerys Adams, Ben Omnet, Rosie Llewellyn** and **Emma Cox** were invited to Buckingham Palace on 16th May to receive their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award.

They completed their Gold expedition on the Isle of Mull in Scotland in 2019 and completed the award in 2020- however due to Covid they have only just been able to attend their presentation at Buckingham Palace.



### **Congratulations everyone**

If you are inspired by their amazing achievement you can find out more about the Duke of Edinburgh Award at www.dofe.org or speak to Mrs Rees in FC03





A huge thank you to our wonderful volunteer litter pickers who are giving up their spare time in order to keep the school clean and tidy. These pupils were rewarded with a hot chocolate with the Headteacher along with an Easter egg. Your hard work and dedication is much appreciated!

#### Keep up the wonderful work.



Let's all work together and stop dropping litter to create a school we are all proud of. A little effort from you to put your rubbish in the bin prevents a lot of effort for someone else to clean up after you!!

### **Empathy Update**

# Thursday 9 June is Empathy Day!





Headlining our Empathy Day line-up this year is a very special 'virtual visit' from Penny Joelson, author of I Have No Secrets, our hit empathy-boosting read with Year 8 and 9. We're really excited and lucky to be welcoming her to our classrooms and the Library, and hearing about the inspiration behind this - and her other books.

Across the school we'll be creating and using our Empathy Superpower X-Ray glasses, making empathy resolutions, recommending empathy reads, doing PowerPoses and other Empathy Superpower Challenge tasks, helping to boost our empathy skills. Certificates and entry into a prize draw for all completed Challenge cards.

Visit the Empathy pages of the school website for more!

Why not download the Family Activities Pack and get the whole family involved in empathy-boosting activities to earn your badges and family certificate? Perfect for half term / Jubilee Bank Holiday Weekend fun! We'd love you to share your challenges with us - email them to library@ yht.wales and share them online using the hashtags #EmpathyDay and #EmpathySuperpowerChallenge.

Some current Mentor time reads in Year 8 include: Sofa Surfer by Malcolm Duffy and Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes. If you liked either of these books, why not try...



### Enjoying Sofa Surfer? Then look out for Malcolm Duffy's new book -

Read Between the Lies - coming soon to our Library - pre-order it so you can borrow it first from the Library.

Who are you!!!

# Mr Barlow

Following on from April's interview with Mr Crichton Georgia and Luke meet our other Deputy Headteacher Mr Barlow.



### When you were in secondary school what did you want to be?

If I'm being honest there were two...three things I wanted to be. Initially when I was younger, I wanted to be a doctor. Then I realised that I probably didn't quite have the brains for that, so bizarrely I wanted to be an airplane pilot, because I liked travelling with the rugby and touring and things like that. And then I realised I didn't have the brains for that, so I decided to be a PE teacher. I wanted to do something with sport and teaching seemed like the only career for that point.

### What is your fondest memory of your teenage years?

Right. Fondest memory of my teenage years... I suppose the fondest memory of my teenage years was spending time with friends. And when I say friends, just being in that school community... being sporty. It always involved sports. Whether it was representing the school in weekly games, going on tours with the school. We were fortunate enough to go to France on rugby tours... Scotland on rugby tours.

So, it was those kinds of events that brought my friendship group together. I still think about school now... and I could name you every single person in my class. That time was kind of a special time, I don't think anyone realised it at the time. We all tend to hate school, I was one of those kids who hated school, I left school in Form 5 (year 11), didn't do A-levels because at the time I didn't appreciate what school had to offer. And what it has to offer is care and support for you as an individual, but as well as that you get to do it with friends for life.

### What school did you go to?

So the school I went to was Ysgol Maes yr Yrfa, which is now Ysgol Maes y Gwendraeth because it was amalgamated with the English school around Cross-Hands in Carmarthenshire. It was a Welsh-speaking school at that time. We were meant to speak Welsh at all times and had some nasty-sort teachers telling us to speak Welsh in the corridors. But no, it was a good school, I have fond memories of it.

### If you could one piece of advice to pupils taking exams, what would it be?

I think it's quite simple. Just try your best. Read the questions and try your best, I think that was the advice I was always given and always attempt every question. Maybe not so much in maths, but for example if I didn't know something I would just put something. Even if I could just get a mark, that was one mark more than leaving the page blank. It was definitely read the question and try your best. But trying your best, not just the night before, it's making that concerted effort in the lead up to it. I wasn't the biggest reviser in the world so I was kind of the week, two week before kind of reviser. In fact, a little story for you, in my GCSEs I hardly did any revision because there was the Rugby World Cup on at the same time, so I'm glad they've moved the Rugby World Cup and sporting events away from the exam seasons... because I didn't do as much revision as I should of!

### Describe your secondary school experience in one word?

#### Foundations.

That is deep! It gave you solid grounding. It gives you those foundations so you can go onto be the person you aspire to be.

### Who was your celebrity crush in your teenage years?

Ahhh celebrity crush. It's got to be, easy, not a problem, 100%... Pamela Anderson. Baywatch was a classic. Yeah, that was easy. I actually met her in Vegas, on a rugby tour. Her and Tommy Lee were there, after their 6th or 7th break-up... when I say I met her, I never went near her. I was fan-girling in the corner.

### What is your most embarrassing moment in secondary school?

It has to be when we were playing British Bulldogs during our GCSEs- and British Bulldogs is a game when you run from one end to the other and people in the middle tackle you and as people tackle you, you join the tackling... so basically it's a game of pile on. And we were playing the game and I got tackled and basically there was a small rock underneath the ground, only a little bit showing. And as I got tackled I

banged my head on that, and I basically had a concussion for four, five days. Which resulted in me missing a GCSE exam, but fortunately I was able to do it. And my mates thought I was taking the mic, trying to get out of an exam, but I genuinely couldn't remember my name. the English stream I was in.

### If you could teach any other subject, what would it be?

Definitely not History. Only teasing. I always liked maths in school. I like teaching maths, but I'm not bright enough to do the top stuff. They dress very well.

### Who is your teacher BFF?

My teacher BFF would have to be Mr Crichton. He's good to share ideas with, we both have a sense of humour, which I think is important in this role. It's good to have a sense of positivity, to have a positive outlook and a can-do attitude and he's got that in spades. We'll have a different opinion and what-have-you but it's done in a nice way and things can be forgotten quickly. It's just a difference of opinion and then we'll come up with the best outcome between us, and move the school forward along with other people.

#### What would the students be most surprised to find out about you?

They'd probably be surprised to find out that I've coached three international rugby teams. So I've coached Wales in rugby league. Lithuania in men's rugby. And then obviously the Polish national team in men's rugby as well. So I've managed to win a couple of European championships along the way. That'll probably be the most surprising thing because I don't tend to talk about those types of things. One international team would probably be good, but to do three is pretty impressive.

### What university did you attend and what did you learn from the experience?

So I went to two universities. I did teacher training in the University of Glamorgan, or the University of South Wales as it is now. I did both my degree and my Masters degree there. I learnt there that Pontypridd, rains a lot and ultimately it was close to home, and at the time it was important for me to be close to home, so I chose a University closest to home. My PGCE university was University of Greenwich, up in London. And what I learned was that London's an amazing place every weekend... every night actually. But on the weekends it's fantastic. There's always plenty of things to do and places to go, it's so diverse and the characters you meet it's an amazing lifetime experience. So I'll always recommend to go out of your comfort zone and go to not just any university. But a university that will give you life experiences and opportunities to move forward



## HENRY TUDOR COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE





# **LEARN TO HELP GAIN SKILLS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD** IN THEIR EDUCATION

HENRY TUDOR COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE, WEDNESDAYS 5.00PM - 6.00PM (SEE PROGRAMME BELOW)

### ABOUT THIS CLASS

In this class we will learn how to support children in Maths, Science, English and IT. We can also help you to make the internet a safer space for your child.

### **DATE AND PLACE**

**Henry Tudor Community Learning** Centre (next to Leisure Centre)

8th June -English & Science

15th lune - Maths & ICT

22nd June - English & Science

29th June - Maths & ICT

English & Science 6th July -

13th July - Maths & ICT

## SUBJECT SUPPORT





Whatever age your child is, we can help you support them in their studies. As well as helping with subject skills, we can also give advice on how to support your child with their use of ICT. In addition, if you are Interested in gaining a qualification, we can help.

### Wishing to Attend?

Please just turn up on the night - no booking ahead required

# **School Uniform**



Ms I P Harries

Ms M Griffiths

to our leavers:

Thank you and all the best

Ms K Styles - First Aider

Mrs A Willington - LSA

Ms N Davies - PSO

Leavers

## Staff

#### **New Starters**

We are pleased to welcome to YHT

#### Mr O Butterworth

Science Dept in September

Ms E Jones -

**BTED & SWEET** 

LSA's

Ms E Evans

Ms K Hayes

Mr N Scourfield

Ms K John

#### Movers

Congratulations and good luck in your new jobs to:

#### Ms L Fuller -

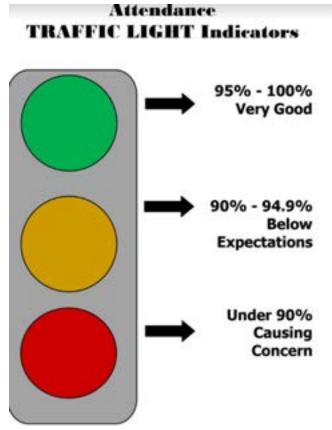
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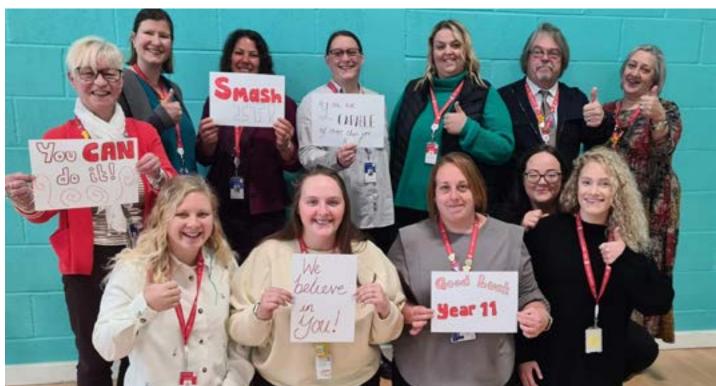
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### Good luck to all our pupils and students taking their exams this summer.

Here is a presentation shown at our Year 11's assembly on Thursday 11th May.

The feedback from the pupils was they were emotional throughout the whole assembly.

Our year 11's certainly can reach for the stars.