



# Ysgol Harri Tudur

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

I trust that you are all keeping well and hope that you all managed to have some quality relaxing family time over the Easter weekend, despite the weather! Well done to all those learners who have had an excellent week of positive learning on our return from the Easter break. Many of our learners across all year groups have made good progress in many subject areas this week, making an excellent start to the Summer Term.

### The School Council Trip to the Senedd on Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>

I was really pleased to be able to accompany Mrs Smith, Assistant Headteacher and the School Council on a trip to the Senedd in Cardiff Bay just before the Easter Holidays. An early start for us all but what a fine group of young people our School Council are, learners from Years 7-13 chosen to represent all learners by their peers. We toured the Senedd and were shown the main debating chamber, we also met the MS for Pembrokeshire South and Carmarthenshire, Samuel Kurtz MS. Mr Kurtz spoke to the School Council with real passion and knowledge about the issues that he felt his constituents were facing. Mr Kurtz will be visiting our school soon and hopes to be able to attend one of our School Council meetings soon. A great day, with some wonderful, passionate, emphatic and immaculately behaved young people, a credit to themselves, to us and to their parents.

### The Easter Transition Concert/ Cyngerdd Cynefin on Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup>

A fantastic audience of parents, carers and family members encouraged and supported Year 6 pupils (and our new Year 7) in a lovely and heart-warming programme of music at our "Cyngerdd Cynefin". Thank you to Year 6 pupils at Pembroke Dock Community School, Golden Grove School, Lamphey Primary School, Pennar School and last but certainly by no means least, Coshston VC School. For me, the highlight of the evening had to be the rousing finale performance of Ben E King's, Stand by Me, with all of the primary and our Show Choir taking part. With over 200 learners taking part, it was a very proud evening for our school.

### Progress Evening and Parent's Evenings

The Summer Term progress evening for all year groups Year 7-13 will take place on Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:30pm -6:30pm. While we appreciate that Progress Evenings do not always follow the reporting cycle for some year groups, the evening enables parents/carers to meet with their child's subject teachers for a 'progress check'. The booking system for Progress Evening, Year 7 Parents Evening on May 18<sup>th</sup> and Year 9 Parents Evening on May 25<sup>th</sup> opens on 27<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm. If you have any queries about Progress Evening or Parents Evening please ask [HERE](#)

### English Department Trip to the Boulevard Theatre - Romeo and Juliet

Many of our Year 9 Learners attended a performance of Romeo and Juliet last night at the Boulevard Theatre in Milford Haven. Mrs Sutton, our Year 9 Leader and an English Teacher, has informed me that our learners behaved impeccably and once again were a credit to themselves, to our school and to their parents. The best way to appreciate and understand Shakespeare's plays is to see a live performance and we hope that this opportunity has helped to bring Shakespeare's written drama to life for our Year 9 Learners.

I will be making a formal complaint to Vision Arts today, in regard to a social media post that has been provided to me, which made incorrect and prejudged comment and opinion about our school and our learners.



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### **School Fete on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 2pm**

The Friends of Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School will hold the first school fete since the coronavirus pandemic on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 2pm, in and around the school and the school grounds. The Friends are hoping to raise £10,000. All mentor groups will be helping the school to raise funds, and all parents are invited to join us for stalls, food, displays and performances if you are able to. We have 30 retail stalls available at a flat rate fee of £30 to parents who may have 'locally made' arts and crafts/jewellery /artwork/plants/etc. For further information, please contact our School Business Manager [HERE](#)

If you have some time to volunteer to help our Friends raise funds for our school and our learners over the course of the academic year, please let us know [HERE](#)

### **GCSE and A Level Examinations**

Some of our Year 10, our Year 11, 12 and 13 will begin their written public examinations soon. We are communicating separately with our learners and their parents in these year groups, Welsh orals, Music practicals, Food Tech and Art practicals are all underway. All best wishes and best of luck to all of our learners who are taking a range of examinations this summer!

### **Recent Sporting Success**

On 19<sup>th</sup> April, two of our Year 11 learners Keanu Williams and Bowyn Clark played in the Scarlets U16 Team, playing against Ospreys. Well done on your selection boys; congratulations on the very close score, Scarlets 21-20 Ospreys!

Ysgol Harri Tudur hosted the Primary 5's Tournament on the 3G pitch on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April - congratulations to the following young ambassadors who helped to run the event, Kai Small, Caleb Evans, Anna May, Bethan Chapman, Skye Brown, Jamie Davies, Lewis Dennison.

SSCE Cymru and the WRU also ran a Wheelchair Rugby Day at our school yesterday, congratulations to Brandon Kramer, Hayden Lister, Oliver Johns , Elliot Asbury, Nancy Bates, Archie Reeves and Callum Cogger, Jack Gammar, Scarlet Cartright, Mollie Fitzpatrick , Sadie Goldbach, Phoebe Davies, Cerys Hearne, Adonis Rushton who all took part in the event.

### **HSBC Financial Awards**

We have been shortlisted for a HSBC Financial Education Award with two other Welsh secondary schools and will be represented at an awards ceremony in Cardiff later on this afternoon by Ms R Edwards and Mr T Crichton. I will let you know the outcome in next week's update.

### **And Finally**

Please contact the school if you have any general queries. The school phone lines are open from 0800 to 1600 on 01646 682461 or by email on [contact@yht.wales](mailto:contact@yht.wales). Our school website has detailed information about our school.

For more specific queries related to your child, you may contact your child's Key stage Leader.

Years 7 and 8 and primary transition - Mrs S. Martin, [smartin@yht.wales](mailto:smartin@yht.wales)

Year 9 - Mrs E Sutton - [esutton@yht.wales](mailto:esutton@yht.wales)

Year 10 and 11 - Ms K Thomas - [kthomas@yht.wales](mailto:kthomas@yht.wales)

Updates are also posted on our Twitter account: @YsgolHarriTudur

**Until next week, with all best wishes for the weekend.**

Mrs. F. Kite, Headteacher