



# Online Brynteg News



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### Calendar -

- Oct 3/4** — Yr. 10 French Exchange return
- Oct 7** — Yr. 8 Lower School Harvest
- Oct 8-11** — Yr. 12 Duke of Ed. Expedition
- Oct 13** — Yr. 12 Geography Visit  
Yr. 13 Parents Evening
- Oct 15** — UCAS Deadline Med/Oxbridge  
Yr. 11 Drama Exams
- Oct 19-21** — Yr. 11 Mock Interviews
- Oct 20** — Wales School Debating Cup
- Oct 22** — Skills Cymru Fayre
- Oct 26-30** — Half Term Holiday
- Nov 2** — Staff Development Day  
(No pupils)
- Nov 3** — Back to School (Pupils)

# The John Rankin Memorial Award 2015

Each year two Brynteg students are selected for the boy and girl Rankin Scholar.

The Rankin award is the legacy of John Rankin, a former Head teacher of Bridgend Boys Grammar between 1896-1928 – over 30 years.

The award recognises outstanding achievement and contribution to both the school and the wider community.

The selected students are the ‘Best of the very best ‘ and are a credit to themselves, their family and the school.

Previous winners include Nicole Cooke (International Cyclist), Robert Howley (British Lion and currently Welsh Coach), Keith Burnett and Owen Lewis (Oxford professors).

This year the honoured recipients of the Rankin Award 2015 are **Jack Slade** and **Abbey Roderick**.

**Please note that the UCAS Deadline for  
Medicine, Vets, Oxbridge is :-**

**15th October 2015**

**For all other courses it is :-**

**27th November 2015**



# PE Department Information

## Gwybodaeth am yr Adran Addysg Gorfforol

Some views of Brynteg and it's rich rugby history from our current year 7 rugby players -



Angus Patterson

Ethan Mawer



Oskar Ziajka

Lochlan Barron



# PE Department Information

## Gwybodaeth am yr Adran Addysg Gorfforol

### A busy year for Isobel



Isobel is the Wales National Under 20 women's indoor Champion at 1500m and the National 1 Mile road running Champion; she won a Silver Medal in the 111th Wales National Cross Country Championships, Silver at Welsh National Athletics Under 17 Championships and at the National Under 20 Championships she won Silver at 800m and Bronze at 1500m to complement the Bronze at the Under 17's Welsh National Indoor Championships at 800m

Isobel represented Wales Internationally at Under 18 level in the Celtic games.

Isobel Commences Year 11 as the 2015 Wales Schools National Champion at 1500m, having earned three Welsh Schools International Vests at three different Events and in the process she broke Brynteg School athletics Records at 800m and 1500m; additional silverware included a Bronze Medal in the Under 17s Welsh Schools Cross Country Championships; plus Gold medals in the Wales v. England Inter-Schools race at the British Athletics Cross Challenge Series, the Glamorgan Valleys Cross Country Championships and South Wales Cross Country Championships complete Isobel's achievements for the Season.



Article and pictures by Steve Dodd

# PE Department Information

## Gwybodaeth am yr Adran Addysg Gorfforol

### Congratulations, Rowland, Da lawn.



Brynteg pupil Rowland Kaye was selected to represent Wales in their U16's Rugby League match against England on 22 August at Taffs Wells RFC.

He was in the starting 13 playing at centre and, with the team comprising of players from across Wales, he was the only representative from the Bridgend area.

It was a hard afternoon for the Welsh boys against some very tough opponents, but although Wales lost the game 52-12, they made a strong comeback in the second half and matched England three tries apiece, keeping England scoreless for the last 22 minutes.

Picture by James Kaye

## Brynteg Welsh Department

### Adran Gymraeg Brynteg

Thursday October 15th is Diwrnod Shwmae. This is a grassroots campaign to reinforce the message that the Welsh language belongs to everyone and to show that we are proud to be Welsh. Communities, businesses and schools across Wales will be taking part through various events to mark the day.

As a school, we at Brynteg will also be showing our Welsh pride through a range of activities, both in and out of lessons. We will also be encouraging the pupils to start every conversation in Welsh and to wear something red with their usual uniform to show their Welsh pride, paying a £1 charity donation for this. All the money raised will then go towards the school's defibrillator fund. This is a campaign to raise enough money to purchase two defibrillators, to be permanently located in the upper and lower school for use in an extreme emergency First Aid situation.

If you are interested in taking part yourself, visit the website for information and ideas

<http://www.shwmae.org>

EWCH AMDANI! - GO FOR IT!

# Shwmae Sŵmae!

Rho gynnig arni! Give it a go!

*15 Hydref - October 15*

The aim of the day is to show that Welsh belongs to everyone and we can all use Welsh all year round - in the shop, leisure centre, at work, in the community, with friends - everywhere! So why not give it a go?



**For £1 you can wear something red with your uniform to celebrate the day. All funds will go towards our defibrillator fund!**

# Attendance News

## Newyddion Presenoldeb



Over the course of the last academic year, Year 9 have fostered strong links with Bridgend Ford Engine Plant who have provided support through school visits and funded campaigns such as the 'iPad Prize Draw'.

Students who achieved 95% plus attendance last year were entered into this prize draw to win an iPad at the end of the summer term. Joe Watts of 9E was the lucky winner - Congratulations Joe!



In addition, fourteen pupils were selected to visit the Bridgend Ford Engine Plant in June. Pupils met with a number of Ford Engineers, they had a guided tour of the factory and developed their team work skills through a number of problem solving activities that Ford use when interviewing for new positions. Furthermore, students had a presentation by Gareth Leonard, a Ford Engineer, who outlined the skills and attributes that Ford look for when taking on new apprentices.



Brynteg always strives to make strong community links with all types of organisations, with an aim to provide as much support and as many opportunities for our students as possible. We are delighted that Bridgend's largest company has provided many aspects of support last year. In particular, we would like to thank Alison Bladon, HR Manager at Bridgend Ford for all her help last year. Diolch yn fawr Alison!

Article & Pictures by Steven Vicker

# Brynteg Message Board

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### Contact Details

Please can parents and carers ensure that all pupils' personal and contact details are maintained and updated as often as possible to show the correct information in case we ever need to contact you.

You can do this by either telephoning our main switchboard on **01656 641800** or by writing to us at

**Brynteg School, Ewenny Road, Bridgend CF31 3ER**

- please ensure the pupil's name is included with the relevant information.



### Spare Uniforms Appeal

If you have any unwanted or spare items of Brynteg School uniform around the house and want to get rid of them, you could always send them in to us.

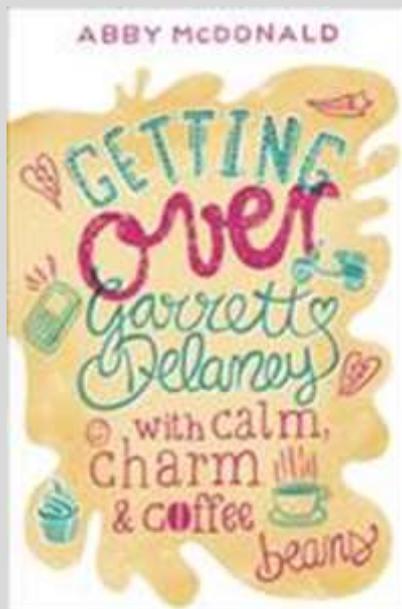


We maintain a 'pool' or 'bank' of various items of uniform such as blouses, skirts, shirts, trousers and PE kit, which come in very handy if or when accidents happen. We all know that tears, splits or rips are just a lunchtime away and these spares certainly do save some blushes !!



## Book of the Fortnight

### Llyfr Y Pythefnos



Getting Over Garrett Delaney with Calm, Charm and Coffee by Abby McDonald

Sadie is in love - with her best friend, Garrett Delaney. But Garrett has been oblivious to Sadie's feelings for him ever since he sauntered into her life and wowed her with his passion for Proust, not to mention his deep blue eyes. For two long, painful years, Sadie has been Garrett's constant companion, sharing his taste in everything from tragic Russian literature to art films to '80s indie rock.

When Garrett leaves for a summer literary retreat, Sadie is sure that the absence will make his heart grow fonder - until he calls to say that he's fallen in love with another girl!

Heartbroken, Sadie realizes she's finally had enough and that it's time for a total Garrett detox. Aided by a barista job, an eclectic crew of new friends (including hunky chef Josh) and a customized self-help guide, Sadie embarks on a summer of personal reinvention full of laughter, meltdowns...and a double shot of love.

Do not be shy,  
BRAG about your  
Reading!

This book falls in the Romance genre.

[Recommended by Mr Lewis - Librarian]

## Thought of the Week

### Meddyliad yr Wythnos

Theme - Right and Wrong

'You can't be right by doing wrong, you can't be wrong by doing right'