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Newsletter



From the Headteacher's Desk

The Summer term is here and hopefully it will bring warm weather and lots of opportunities for pupils to enjoy outdoor extra curricular activities. We also realise it brings GCSE, AS and A level exams so we wish all our pupils good luck with their revision, preparation and the exams themselves.

I am proud to reflect on two important events that occurred last month. Our Brangwyn Concert and being awarded Siarter iaith Aur. Our news this month will focus on both these events.

North Gower Partnership Music Festival

It was wonderful to return to the Brangwyn Hall to hold our North Gower Partnership Concert. We have waited four years for this due to the pandemic. It was worth the wait as everyone involved enjoyed the outstanding event. The 1000 strong audience heard a variety of music. Each partner primary school choir performed a selection of songs from traditional Welsh to songs from Musicals. Gowerton School had a selection of choirs, soloists and instrumental



ensembles including Windband, String Orchestra, Rock Band and Sax Quartet. Junior choir and Senior girls' choir also performed. We were privileged to have the support of Dunvant Male Choir to join our Male voice choir for Calon Lan and Sospan Fach. Dunvant then performed a hymn to inspire children and adults with their beautiful, traditional, Welsh harmonies. On the stage we had performers aged from three to eighty three. The event culminated in everyone returning to the stage to perform 'Yma o Hyd' and 'Hen Wlad fy Nhadau'.

Siarter Iaith Aur (Gold Award)

Last month we were successful in winning Siarter Iaith Aur (Gold) Award. We are the first school in Swansea and the second secondary school in Wales to achieve this award. Our Criw Cymraeg is a group of pupils that have worked hard to produce educational videos on the



locality and have promoted the Welsh language throughout the local community. Our pupils have produced information videos on the history of the railway in Gowerton, the brickworks in Dunvant, the rugby club in Waunarlwydd and the industry and docklands in Swansea. The pupils also spent time in the local community teaching Welsh in Cwm Ivy café, Dunvant farm shop and Llanrhidian community café. The whole community has contributed to this excellent achievement. Although we have achieved the award this is just the beginning! The pupils are already looking for more opportunities to work with the community. A trip to Rhossili is planned to learn about Edgar Evans and Antarctic exploration.

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Right of the Month:
ARTICLE 7: Right to a name and nationality

