



Gowerton School



October 2025 Newsletter

From the Headteacher's Desk

As we move into the heart of the autumn term, I am delighted to welcome you to our October newsletter. It has been a busy and productive few weeks here at Gowerton School, filled with energy, enthusiasm, and achievement across our school community. From the excitement of new learning opportunities in the classroom to the success of recent extracurricular events, our students continue to make us proud with their dedication and spirit.

I hope this edition gives you a glimpse of the many ways our school is thriving, and I thank you for your continued support in helping us provide the very best for our young people.

The Big Conversation

On October 3rd, 2025, members of the Year 7 Council visited Swansea Waterfront Museum to attend a talk by British novelist and founder of the Women's Prize for Fiction, Kate Mosse. The talk was about the follow up to her books 'The Labyrinth', 'The Map of Bones' and 'Warrior Queens' which is called 'Feminist History for Every Day of the Year'.

Kate Mosse spoke about some of the notable women featured in her book and answered questions from the audience.



Year 10 Spanish – El Día de los Muertos

Year 10 Spanish pupils have been learning about *El Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead), a colourful Mexican festival.

Pupils explored the meaning and symbolism behind the celebration and enjoyed creating their own *papel picado* designs, using bright colours and traditional patterns to represent happiness and remembrance. They also practiced using new Spanish vocabulary to describe the customs and reflected on the importance of cultural understanding when learning a language.



Shwmae Day

Year 7 pupils at Gowerton School enjoyed a variety of activities to celebrate Shwmae Day this week! It was fantastic to see so many pupils take on the challenge of using Welsh to start every conversation around the school.

From Minecraft builds, Lego creations, and artwork to cakes, pancakes, and Shwmae selfie frames, pupils showed amazing creativity and enthusiasm. They also visited our Siop Siarad Shwmae for treats, supported by our brilliant Criw Cymraeg and Sixth Form prefect team.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair returned to Gowerton School again this month. Learners were able to browse a fantastic range of books during break and lunch time and place orders. Books starting from just 40p! Lots came along to find their next great story.

Sixth Form Open Evening

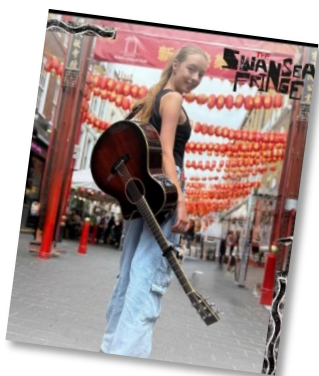
We are delighted to share the success of our recent Sixth Form Open Evening, which saw an excellent turnout despite the rather challenging weather conditions. It was wonderful to welcome so many students and families, who braved the rain to explore what our Sixth Form has to offer.

The enthusiasm, thoughtful questions, and genuine interest shown throughout the evening were truly heartening. My sincere thanks go to our staff and current Sixth Form students, whose warmth, professionalism, and pride in our school shone through and made the event such a memorable occasion.

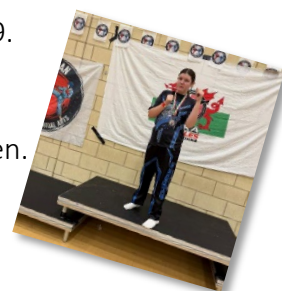


Individual Success

Congratulations to Cennedy Year 9, a talented musician and sportsperson. She has been selected to perform at Swansea's Fringe Festival this month. She has also represented Wales for the third time at the World Kickboxing Championships. An outstanding achievement. Well done, Cennedy.



Congratulations to Gwen Year 9. She recently achieved Silver medal in the World Kickboxing championships. Arbenning Gwen.



Congratulations to Lauren Year 7. She recently achieved a Silver and a Bronze medal in the World Championships in Karate. An excellent achievement as over 30 countries competed in the weekend event.