

# BLOG

## 22nd May - 4th June 2026

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE ....

This week, our word of the week, **fortitude**, has shone brightly across our school community. It has been inspiring to see our pupils live out our motto 'Dream. Reach. Achieve' with such determination and heart. Our incredible Poverty Proofing Ambassadors have embodied true fortitude, showing resilience, compassion and leadership in everything they do and particularly in securing the amazing donations from Asda for our brand-new community cupboard.

We were deeply moved as we said goodbye to our wonderful Year 11 students in their final assembly. Although it was emotional to watch them leave, our overwhelming feeling is pride - pride in the confident, capable young people they have become, and pride in the futures they are ready to shape.

Wellbeing Wednesday continues to gather momentum, with pupils embracing new experiences that help them grow not only academically but personally. We are also delighted to introduce our new Year 7 Transition Ambassadors, who will play a vital role in supporting our incoming Year 7 pupils over the coming months.

Half-term revision sessions were exceptionally well attended, and we wish our Year 10 and Year 11 pupils every success as they move through their exams. Beyond the classroom, our extra-curricular opportunities continue to thrive, from outdoor learning to hair and beauty, with pupils showing enthusiasm, curiosity and a willingness to try something new. A reminder that our late bus runs at 4.30pm to support those taking part.

Every moment this week has reminded us that when our pupils dare to dream, reach beyond their comfort zones, and achieve through perseverance, they show the very best of who they are and who they are becoming.

### POVERTY PROOFING AMBASSADORS

We were delighted to share news of a generous donation from Asda Wrexham, helping us launch something special at YBA—a Community Cupboard.

Our Poverty Proofing Ambassadors have worked with Children North East to develop this idea, creating a food and hygiene bank to support our local community. This donation is an important first step.

Well done to Lydia for contacting Asda, and thank you to Mary Williams, Asda Wrexham's Community Champion, for her support. Mary presented Lydia, Layla, Rayyan and Lucas with a trolley of essential items to get us started and has already offered further help next month.

While we are starting small, we have big plans. In the coming months, our ambassadors will continue developing the project, including seeking support to build a Community Provision Shed and, in the future, providing fresh produce from our community garden.

We welcome support from local businesses—please contact the school if you can help. Any families in need are also encouraged to get in touch; support is available and requests will be treated confidentially.

Together, we can make a real difference. Thank you again to Asda Wrexham for your support.



### YR11 FINAL ASSEMBLY

Following their GCSE Physics exam, we had the pleasure of gathering our incredible Year 11 cohort for a truly memorable final assembly. Mr 'Gaffer' Jones delivered an inspiring and heartfelt send-off, weaving in his own experiences alongside some wonderfully poignant (and entertaining) touches, including a brilliant selection of baby photos that certainly brought smiles and laughter all around.

His words left our students with meaningful advice to carry with them into this important next chapter as they embark on their study leave. It was a lovely, reflective moment and one that captured the spirit of this special year group perfectly.

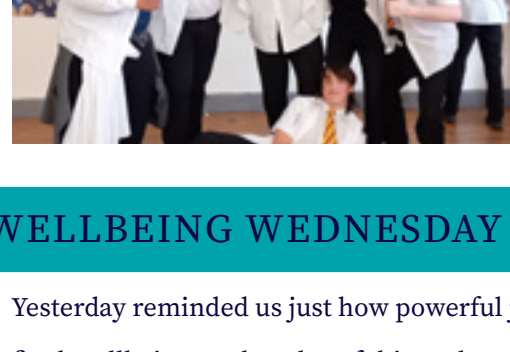
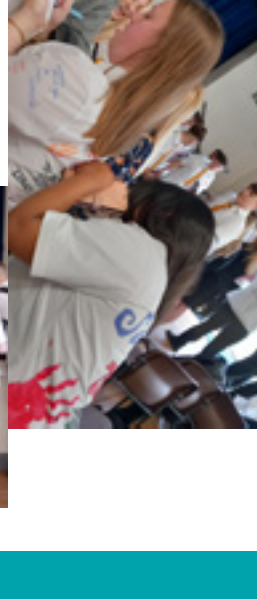
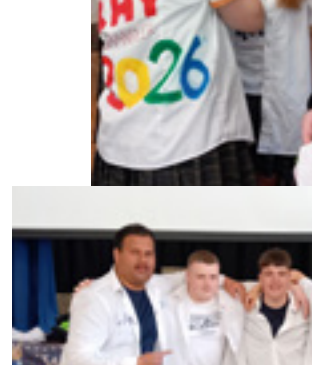
A huge thank you to Mr Jones for the care, dedication and energy he has poured into supporting this cohort, and to all the staff at Ysgol Bryn Alyn who have guided and encouraged them along the way.

And finally, to our amazing Year 11s, what a Class of 2026 you are. We are immensely proud of each and every one of you. Now it's your time to go out and do your thing. Keep working hard, believe in yourselves, and give your GCSE exams your very best.

As the saying goes:

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined." – Henry David Thoreau

We wish you every success — we couldn't be prouder.



### WELLBEING WEDNESDAY

Yesterday reminded us just how powerful joy, curiosity and creativity can be. Watching our pupils each embrace their final Wellbeing Wednesday of this cycle was nothing short of inspirational. Their energy lit up the whole place, proof that when young people are given space to explore, amazing things happen.

From samba drumming to knitting, from sugar craft to upcycling, from Photoshop magic to tennis — every activity became a moment of growth, confidence and pure hwy! They didn't just take part... they thrived.

This is what learning looks like when hearts are open and minds are brave. This is what community feels like when everyone lifts each other up. And this is why we can't wait to see what next week brings, because if tonight is anything to go by, the future is seriously bright.



### YR7 TRANSITION AMBASSADORS

Our fantastic Year 7 Transition Ambassadors have been busy writing heartfelt welcome letters to our new Year 7 pupils, ready for September.

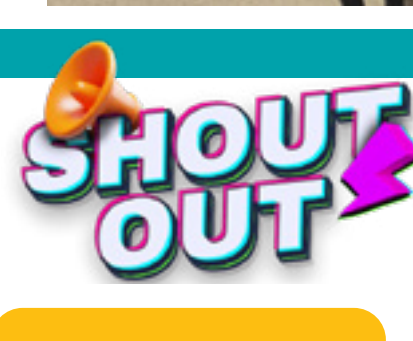
Each letter is packed with encouragement, excitement and real experiences, from making new friends and joining brilliant clubs, to discovering supportive teachers and embracing new opportunities. These messages are all about helping our new pupils feel confident, inspired and ready for this next chapter.

Da iawn to our ambassadors for showing such kindness, care and enthusiasm — rydym ni'n falch iawn ohonoch chi. Your positivity is exactly what makes our school community shine.

We can't wait to welcome our new Year 7s soon. This is the start of something special — a journey full of growth, courage and new adventures. Let's make it unforgettable.



### 'SHOUT OUT'



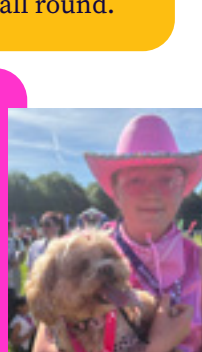
Mrs Jones-Morris  
In the front office (reception) for being relentlessly helpful and kind..

Finley Jones  
For having 100% attendance YTD and the most achievement points.

Evie L Jones  
Always on time, correct uniform and polite.

Emil Wisniewski  
Y10 pupil of the week: Emil Wisniewski for being so polite and cheerful every time Miss Curtis sees him.

Ava Conde  
We just wanted to share how proud we are of Ava, who took part in Cancer Research UK Race for Life again on the weekend. This is her third year supporting such an important cause, and this year she has raised more than ever before, an incredible £205. Her commitment and enthusiasm are truly inspiring, and she should be very proud of what she has achieved.



### HALF TERM REVISION

A huge shout-out to our unstoppable Year 11 legends who powered through the heat to attend half term revision sessions – Maths and Geography. That's next-level commitment.

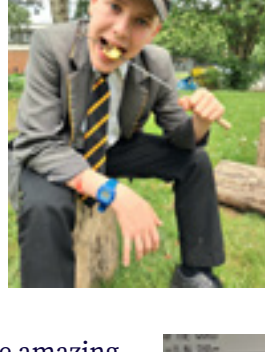
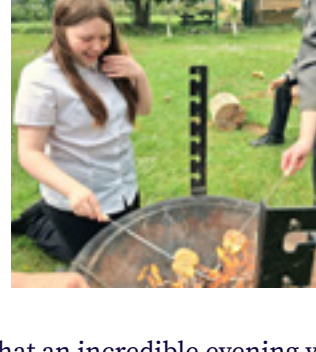
Huge appreciation to the Maths dream team – Mrs Cottrell, Mr Scragg and Mrs Taunt – and to Mr Beddoes for Geography. Champions supporting champions.



### EXTRA CURRICULAR

Another amazing extra-curricular session in the Big Shed yesterday and wow... what a vibe!

A huge diolch to **Groundwork North Wales** for guiding everyone through making our very own toffee apples over an open fire. The crackle of the wood, the smell of the smoke, the sticky sweetness of the apples - pure magic. Seeing all those smiles reminded us why these sessions matter so much.



What an incredible evening with the amazing team at **Done Together CIC**, who delivered another inspiring creative workshop for our girls.

From festival-style makeup to stencils, and colourful arm-designs, the room was bursting with hwy! and imagination. Their creativity was unbelievable - bold, brave, and beautifully unique.

Opportunities like this remind us why our extra-curricular offer is so special. When girls feel supported, they shine. When they feel inspired, they soar. Dyma'r dyfodol - confident, creative, unstoppable.

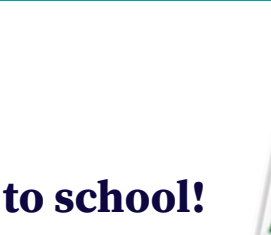


### UPCOMING NEWS/EVENTS ....

**Week Commencing 8th June 2026**

**End of Year Assessment Yr7 - 10**

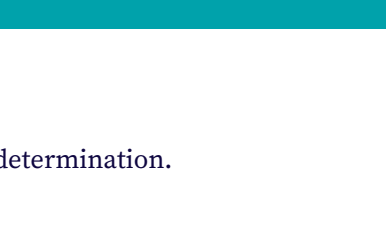
- 10/6/26 - Yr9 Coleg Cambria Induction
- 11/6/26 - ALN Enhanced Transition Day 2
- 11/6/26 - World Cup live lesson with Tom Palmer



### WELSH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

**Croeso'n ôl - Welcome back!**

**e.g. Croeso'n ôl i'r ysgol - Welcome back to school!**



### WORD OF THE WEEK ....

**Fortitude**

Mental and emotional strength in facing difficulty, adversity, or danger with courage and determination.

