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HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

A show stopping school production



The Prestatyn High School main hall and stage was packed to the brim in late November as we transformed into 1999 America for the school production of High School Musical Jnr.

Combining singing, dancing and acting, High School Musical transported the audience through the rival cliques at East High School, whilst watching the love story of Troy and Gabriella unfold. All the main numbers from the film were performed on stage with real enthusiasm from the very talented cast we have at Prestatyn High School ranging from year 7-13. All worked exceptionally hard during the three month rehearsal period and were an absolute delight to watch on stage.

We also are really pleased that over the course of show week, we raised £251 for the Cancer Treatment Centre at Glan Clwyd Hospital. Thanks to all who very kindly donated!

Year 7 Rewarded

Mr Foley and the Year 7 team had a Hot Chocolate break with 9 Year 7 pupils as a reward for their amazing effort and behaviour lessons. The 9 pupils have made the best start possible to their education at Prestatyn High School and Mr Foley could not praise them enough.



Christmas Fayre

On Wednesday 4th and Thursday the 6th December 2018, Welsh Bac Students organised a superb Christmas Fayre. There were lots of wonderful stalls ranging from beautiful cupcakes, arts and crafts and sideshow games. The students all worked very hard with their preparation as did their parents who worked tirelessly baking through to the early hours of the morning, so a huge thank you goes out to all those parents who took time to help out. In total it raised £1500 for Ty Gobaith.



PHS Carol Concert

The Creative Arts Department has had a busy Autumn Term entertaining in school and within the local community. At the end of November, the cast of 'High School Musical' gave a lively performance of a selection of songs from the show at 'Nant Hall Church'. The Annual Carol Concert entitled 'Christmas Reflections' took place at the Parish Church in Prestatyn on December 6th. This year around 40 students performed to a large audience. The concert included performances from the choir, orchestra, soloists and Year 10 GCSE Drama students. Thanks go to all the performers for their hard work and dedication to rehearsals throughout the Autumn Term and also to the staff who assisted with the concert. Congratulations also go to Amelie Janssens (pictured left) who received the 'Joe Irving Young Musician' award for exceptional musical skills!



Christmas Card Competition

Thank you to everyone in Y7 that entered a Christmas card design this year! We've had nearly 50 entries and are pleased to announce the winner of the PHS Christmas Card Competition 2018. Congratulations to Katy M, Y7 on her winning Christmas card design! The design will be turned into our official PHS Christmas card which will be sent to supporting partners of Prestatyn High School.



Competition results

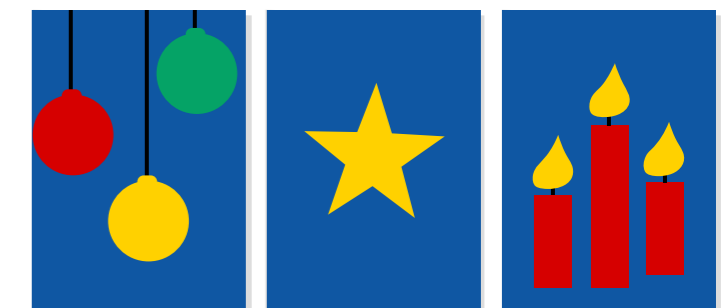
1st Katy M, 2nd Chloe B, 3rd, Poppy M and 4th Alyssa E

STEM

STEM has begun again this year under the direction of Dr Clayton and Mr Rasmussen. It has been a great success with students from Y7, 8 and 9. So far this year we have raced hovercrafts across the science room, made volcanoes and we are currently working towards the CREST Bronze award by looking at how to make the biggest bubbles and the best bath bombs. In the New Year we will be firing rockets, building boats and much more.

Glan Llyn

In mid-November, pupils and staff left Prestatyn High school for a three day trip packed full of exiting outdoor activities in Glan Llyn, near Bala. Pupils had the opportunity to practice and improve their Welsh language skills and develop many other key skills, such as communication and team building. Activities included canoeing, climbing, boat trip, bowling, swimming, raft building and orienteering. Thank you to all pupils and staff who made the trip such a fantastic occasion. Diolch yn fawr.



I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for your continued support for what we are achieving at Prestatyn High.

We have had several successful events so far this academic year which have allowed our young people to demonstrate their skills, talents and outstanding effort levels. High School Musical was an overwhelming triumph showcasing our great pupils during sell out performances. The carol concert in the Prestatyn Parish church and the Christmas Fayre were also fabulous events we shared with the community.

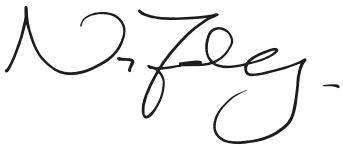
During the last few months I have challenged the Welsh Government and Qualifications Wales on their handling of the summer exams 2018, especially the English GCSE grade boundary shift in an attempt to ensure that all pupils are treated equally.

I will not rest until the exams our young people sit at the end of their GCSEs are fair and fit for purpose. I will keep you informed of any further developments.

The school is improving in all areas and I look forward to what we will achieve in 2019 and beyond. To continue to improve it is essential that we work together as a community to ensure our young people are successful now and into the future.

I'd like to wish everyone a lovely break, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Yours faithfully,

Neil Foley B.Sc. MA.
Headteacher



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