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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Food Hampers: We kindly ask for your support once again for our hamper appeal to support local families at a challenging time of year. We welcome all your contributions to create festive hampers for local families: [Food Hampers](#)

Ambassadors:

Congratulations to Rhys & Glain from Sixth Form for being selected as ambassadors for the Coleg Cymraeg this year!



Ambassadors for the Coleg Cymraeg

Flu Nasal Spray Immunisation – 5&6 December: Yrs 7-11: Here is the link to the parent letter - [Letter](#) It is essential that you complete the registration form that is explained within the letter. If registration has not been completed your child will not be able to have the flu vaccine.

Upcoming events:

19-21/11/24 Shrek - drama production (Tickets still available): [Shrek](#)
21/11/24 Schools Semi-Final Glantaf XV v Coleg y Cymoedd
Cardiff Arms Park, 7.30pm
28/11/24 Yr13 Parents Evening (Glantaf) 3.15pm – 6.15pm
12/12/24 Yr9 Parents Evening (Glantaf) 3.15pm – 6.15pm
17/12/24 2024 GCSE and A Level Award Evening at 6pm
19/12/24 Christmas concert, Tabernacl Chapel at 4.30pm and at 6pm
20/12/24 End of term at 1.30pm
06/01/25 INSET – school closed for pupils



School Senedd – Remembrance Day

Welsh Athletics: Congratulations to Maccsen Martins Hughes, Yr 10 who has been chosen to represent Welsh schools in an international athletics competition in Scotland at the weekend.



South Wales Welsh Schools Orchestra

South Wales Welsh Schools Orchestra: Congratulations to all the Glantaf pupils involved in the orchestra workshop and who performed beautifully at the Wales Millennium Centre last week.

We would like to remind you of the importance of your child's attendance at school

Regular attendance is essential to the academic and social development of our learners. We therefore kindly ask you to encourage your child to come to school every day.

- A 95%-100% attendance percentage gives the best chance of success.
- In a school year, 85-90% attendance means your child loses at least 4 weeks of learning which can lead to underachievement and the need for extra support.
- Under 80% means your child loses at least 7 ½ weeks of learning which obviously has a significant impact on learning.

Year 11, 12 and 13 – Mock Examinations: Pupils will receive their timetable of examinations shortly.

Year 11 – Start on 11/12/24 and Finish on 17/12/24.

Year 12 – Start on 11/12/24 and Finish on 17/12/24.

Year 13 – Start on 11/12/24 and Finish on 17/12/24.

Modern Languages Assistants: I would like to take the opportunity to welcome Leonard Pasty and Viktoria Kröll to assist in the Modern Languages department.



Leonard Pasty and Viktoria Kröll

Year 11 Sponsored Walk: Year 11 had a very successful sponsored walk up to Castell Coch. Thanks to everyone who sponsored the pupils, a percentage of this money will go to Felindre Hospital, a charity chosen by the year 11 pupil forum.



Year 11 – Sponsored Walk

Orielodl: We would like to thank Rhys Padarn, Orielodl for coming in to collaborate with a group of pupils to create several murals that will be displayed around the technology department.



Orielodl – Mural being created

Wales v Ireland football game 29/11/24: On Friday 29th September we will be taking Yr 7 and 12 on a trip to support Wales v Ireland at Cardiff City Stadium after school (kick off at 7.15pm). Tickets can be purchased on *Parentpay*.

Importance of Punctuality: Punctuality is a cornerstone of student success, fostering discipline, responsibility, and respect for others. Arriving on time to school ensures that students can fully engage with the day's learning from the very beginning, avoiding disruptions that late arrivals may cause to teachers and classmates. Missing even the first few minutes of a lesson can result in lost opportunities to grasp key concepts, setting a negative tone for the rest of the day. Beyond school life, punctuality cultivates life skills that are essential for future success in both higher education and the workplace, where deadlines and reliability are highly valued. It also demonstrates a commitment to learning, showing peers and teachers that the student takes their education seriously. Regularly being on time helps students establish effective time-management habits, reducing stress and allowing them to make the most of their school day. Furthermore, punctuality promotes a sense of community and mutual respect within the school environment, as it reinforces the idea that everyone's time is valuable. When students are punctual, they contribute to a positive school culture where learning and achievement are prioritized. Ultimately, punctuality is not just about being on time—it's about preparing students for a lifetime of success and instilling values that will benefit them throughout their lives.

As always if you need further information, please contact the school and follow our Instagram account @Ysgol_Glantaf

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Glantaf at the Berlin Reichstag