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Statement from Rural Affairs Minister as Consultation Closes

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New Clinical Lead to Help Drive Improvements in Women's Health

On International Women's Day, Health Minister Eluned Morgan welcomes the appointment of a new clinical lead for women's health, who will help drive improvements in women's health services across Wales.

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Dr Helen Munro, a consultant in sexual and reproductive healthcare, will take up the role of Wales' first ever clinical lead for women's health. Together with Alex Hicks, the new strategic network manager, she will lead the National Clinical Strategic Network for Women's Health in developing the Women's Health Plan for Wales.

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From 1st April 2024

Those who live in Wales can take Advantage of Free Swimming Sessions for 52 Weeks of the Year.

available at the following

Leisure and Activity Centres in Wrexham:

Sessions are:

Waterworld - 01978 297300

Under 16's Saturdays 3pm – 4pm 60 plus Tuesdays 11am – 12pm

Chirk Leisure & Activity Centre - 01691 778666

Under 16's Sundays 1pm – 2pm 60 plus, Fridays 12pm – 1pm

Gwyn Evans Leisure & Activity Centre – 01978 269540

Under 16's Sundays 1pm – 2pm 60 plus Thursdays 3pm – 4pm

Free sessions are available thanks to funding from Welsh Government.



Talking About Communication at Ysgol Rhiwabon

March 11th 2024

Expert trainers from **Talk The Talk** will be coming into school to work with students in **Year Groups 9 and 10.**

The *Talk About Communication* workshop is an exciting and engaging master class developing speaking and listening skills within a creative learning environment. The workshop provides numerous speaking opportunities and students are coached and supported throughout the day to deliver a structured two-minute presentation, on a topic for which they have a genuine passion, to their peers.

'We demonstrate that speaking out should be an experience that we CAN do – and one that is nowhere near as daunting as we might think. One of the keys to the success of the Talk The Talk programme is creating an environment of mutual respect with a supportive ethos so that when students stand up and voice their opinions, share their thoughts and present their ideas –

their skills and confidence grow.'

Talk The Talk

Talk The Talk's mission is to develop students' oracy skills and their communication confidence to support positive interaction in all life situations and improved social outcomes.

Talk The Talk has trained over 115,000 students to be confident communicators across England and Wales since they began in 2013.



Group pictures attached

To learn more about Talk The Talk's work visit them at: www.talkthetalkuk.org

See what teachers are saying about us on twitter.

Alumni Community

Tuesday, 5th March 2024

Working in conjunction with <u>Careers Wales</u>, Ysgol Rhiwabon are launching their Alumni Scheme, where former pupils can

register and come back into the school to offer presentations and advice on how their career developed from leaving school. Did you attend Ysgol Rhiwabon?

Could your career story help to inspire current pupils in the school?

Please get in touch to see how you can get involved – register your interest through the forms below

(ENG) https://forms.office.com/r/YaQiFgb7iV (CYM) https://forms.office.com/r/kWSX7p9m66



Ysgol Rhiwabon Bletchley Park Visits

Monday, 11th March 2024

Year 9 students were lucky enough to visit Bletchley Park, home of the codebreakers.

Bletchley Park is an English country house and estate in Bletchley, Milton Keynes (Buckinghamshire), that became the principal centre of Allied code-breaking during the Second World War. We were lucky enough to see the Enigma machines, as well as the 'Bombe' which decoded the Enigma messages from the Germans.

During World War II, the estate housed the Government Code and Cypher School (GC&CS), which regularly penetrated the secret communications of the Axis Powers – most importantly the German Enigma and Lorenz ciphers. The GC&CS team of codebreakers included Alan Turing, Harry Golombek, Gordon Welchman, Hugh Alexander, Bill Tutte and Stuart Milner-Barry.

According to the official historian of British Intelligence, the "Ultra" intelligence produced at Bletchley shortened the war by two to four years, and without it the outcome of the war would have been uncertain.

The team at Bletchley Park devised automatic machinery to help with decryption, culminating in the development of Colossus, the world's first programmable digital electronic computer. Codebreaking operations at Bletchley Park came to an end in 1946 and all information about the wartime operations was classified until the mid-1970s.

















Bletchley Park Visit 2

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Year 9 students were able to put themselves in the shoes of the Bletchley codebreakers and try their hand at some of the coding techniques that were used.



Bletchley Park Visit 3

Monday, 11th March 2024

Year 9 students were lucky enough to see the Enigma machines and learn all about the famous mathematicians at Bletchley Park, including the fantastic Alan Turing.

The day hopefully inspired students as to what can be achieved in the world of Mathematics.



John Mazzarella Golf Day



In its 19th year, this year's golf day was held at the Vale of Llangollen Golf Club on Saturday 9th March.

The annual event fondly remembers John, who passed away 19 years ago.

The winner of the day was Adam Jones who is pictured receiving the trophy from Peter, John's brother.

A great day had by all, followed by some post-game drinks in the village with the Mazzarella family and friends.

The day raised £250 for the Shooting Star Unit in BETSI CADWALLADER.



All very best wishes

Sybil (Bremner)