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CAERLEON COMPREHENSIVE

NEWSLETTER

THE CAERLEON C@TCH-UP



EXCITING NEWS...

Hello and welcome to our first edition of The Caerleon Catch-up.

I would like to thank all of you for all your hard work over the past year - It has certainly been another year to remember!

We wanted to update you with some of the wonderful events that have been going on in school over the past few months that lots of our students have been involved in.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely summer break and I look forward to returning together in September.



DEPUTY MINISTER VISIT

The Ethos and Culture group are feeling inspired and empowered after a visit from Lee Waters, Deputy Climate Minister for the Welsh Government on Thursday 17th March 2022.

Mr Waters, along with the leader of Newport Council, Jane Mudd and Jayne Bryant MP for Newport West came to see how the school is using its solar panels to reduce the carbon footprint of the school and save money.

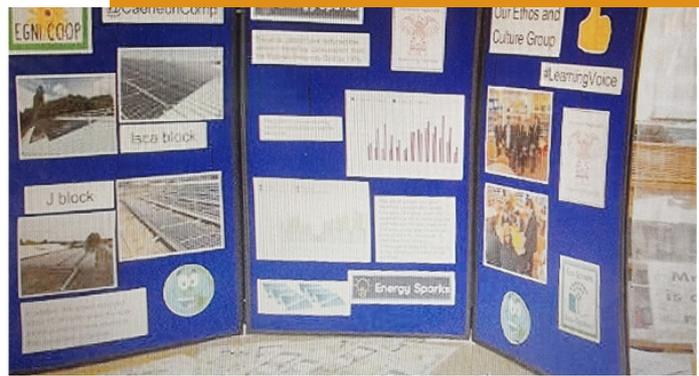
Thanks to the inspirational work of Dan Mccallum from Egni Coop working in close partnership with Newport Council and the school, Caerleon Comprehensive are currently using 20% less electricity from the grid by using the roof space on their buildings to gather solar energy.

We are also able to provide energy for other educational purposes when the school is closed during holidays and weekends.

Visitors listened to the learners present how the solar panels are improving Caerleon School and answered some challenging questions prepared by the learners.

We were also able to set out our plans for the future and how we are embedding the use of energy sparks into our curriculum to create authentic learning for the students of Caerleon.

The Ethos and Culture group are excited to start working on a case study that can be shared with other Councils and Schools.



A HUGE THANK YOU!

PARENTS & STUDENTS OF CAERLEON COMPREHENSIVE - YOU DID US PROUD!

As you may remember, last term we asked for a donation of items for the families of Ukraine who found themselves in a place far from home with very little.

A massive and heartfelt thank you to everyone who has donated towards our Ukrainian appeal.

We are proud and humbled by the generosity of our pupils, parents and staff as they have joined together to support the humanitarian aid effort in Ukraine.

We would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone who donated or helped in any capacity.

Your compassion and generosity is hugely appreciated!



JUBILEE STREET PARTY THEME DAY



Jubilee Street Party Theme Day



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Our students were able to enjoy a range of foods on offer for our Jubilee Celebration Day on Thursday 26th May 2022.

Students were able to select from:

- Coronation Chicken Baguette's
- Vol Au Vents
- Coronation Sausage Rolls
- Princly Potato Salad
- Palace Picnic Pie
- Assorted Club Sandwiches
- Jelly & Ice Cream
- Princess Charlotte Cupcakes
- Prince Louis Brownie
- Scones with jam & cream

And of course, no banquet would be complete without Platinum Pimms!

UKMT: UNITED KINGDOM MATHS CHALLENGE

What is the UKMT Maths challenge for?

Our Mathematical Challenges are the UK's most popular school mathematics competitions.

The Team Maths Challenges promote problem solving and collaboration. Our Mentoring Scheme, Mathematical Circles and Summer Schools help young people to develop a love of mathematics.



Students across years 7 - 13 took part in UKMT in April 2022.

We are extremely proud of the achievements from all our students.

A special mention to:

- Sam Evans & Sam Breese who won Gold awards
- Rhys Allsop who won Silver.



SPORTING NEWS:



In such a short season due to Covid restrictions, we have managed to have great participation, lots of matches and success between January and March for hockey, netball and football. The PE department news, fixtures, updates etc can be found on twitter

@caerleongirlspe @caerleonboyspe

Netball.

Year 7 netball squad were amazing, some of the girls had never played a match before and we had some great matches. In the year 7 tournament we made the final and only lost by 1 goal. Players of the tournament were Lily Diggie and Lucy Gunter. (photo) The girls worked really hard in the Year 8 having missed all of y7 and most of y8- lots of potential for the future.

The year 9 Girls had an extremely successful season, winning EVERY game they played, Games were against Bassaleg, Chepstow, Tredegar, St Albans, Monmouth, Islwyn High, Amazing Girls!!!! (photo)

Danielle Blanks was voted player of the matches against Chepstow and Tredegar as well as in the league Final against Gwent Is Coed 22-13.

Tiger Mc Queen-Oliver Bowen was given Coaches player for adapting to play nearly every position on the court during the season and always giving 100 % effort well done!

Year 11 played some lovely matches against Chepstow, Bassaleg and Croesyceiliog. Thank you to the year 11 girls who always helped with the year 7 Netball coaching- special thanks to Caitlin and Lily.

U16 County selection.

Caitlin Blanks
Bethan Evans
Jess Davies
Lily Gwatkin
ImogenTugwell.
Philipa Grace.

U14 County selection

Danielle Blanks.
Amy Jones.

Caitlin Blanks Wales U17 Netball academy.

SPORTING NEWS:



Hockey

Well done to all the girls and boys who played hockey, we made fantastic progress from January to March, watch out next year! The u16 & u18 squads had limited fixtures but it's great to see so many involved at Gwent hockey club. Sadly there was no County squad but many girls would have pushed for places.

Congratulations to Y10 **Seth Harris** representing Wales U16 this year.

Y7 & 8 boys and girls enjoyed regular trips to Cardiff to test their progress against tough opposition at Howells, Glantaf and Whitchurch. Both squads of 8 won most of the matches at the Hockey Wales festival and had lots of fun playing local schools. Lovely first experience of tournament hockey.

Y9 were playing Covid catch up against strong opposition in the County tournament but the talented squad finished very strongly as runners up in South East Wales. They carried this success to the Hockey Wales festival in Swansea and again finished runners-up against schools from across South Wales. Both squads were complemented for their quality hockey. Izobel Davis and Bella Williams were amazing in goal. It was a great day for all of the girls with Charlotte Holmes and Lois Walker voted players of the tournament.

Girls Cricket

First Ever Girls Cricket season for the U15 and U13 girls. We entered the Newport schools tournament. U15 were captained by Zoe Jeffs, playing Games against Rougement, Bassaleg, Monmouth, Crickhowell, Croesyceiliog. The girls did extremely well learning a new sport- bring on next year!

U13 were captained by Ella Phillips the girls were amazing and won the tournament playing games against Bassaleg, Rougement, Croesyceiliog and Monmouth. Girls voted as players during the tournament were Ella Phillips, Aribah Anjum, Masie Small, Georgia Messer and Fenella Sheppard. As winners we went through to the Regional Finals which were held in the Vale Cricket club where we played against Stradey, Glantaf, and QEHS. The girls were up against such strong opposition and finished 3rd. Well done girls amazing achievement.

TOBIAS STEWART won silver medal with his team at the GB competition in Sheffield



SPORTING NEWS:



Football

All boys and girls teams through to Welsh Cup 2nd round before having to pull out due to COVID restrictions. Awarded Welsh school of the round.

Year 7 & 9 Newport Cup finalists
Year 10 Gwent 7 a side winners
Seniors Newport Cup semi finalists.

Rugby

Year 7 Monmouth Private School Tournament 7 a side winners & Newport Cup semi finalists
Year 9 Brynmawr 7 a side tournament runners up
Year 10 Newport Cup Plate winners
Year 11 Newport Cup semi finalists
Senior semi finalists Llandovery 7s

Tennis

Year 8, 10 A&B and Senior tennis competing in South Wales & South East England Leagues & Cups. Successful Wimbledon trip.

Basketball

Games against Chepstow, St Julians & St Joes in KS3 & KS4

Boys Cricket

Games against King Henry & Caldicot & Chepstow
Successful 40 pupil trip to watch Glamorgan v Middlesex in T20 at Sophia Gardens.

The PE department news and fixtures can be found on twitter:

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URBANPLAN UK

UrbanPlan is a realistic, engaging, and academically demanding classroom-based curriculum in which students learn about the fundamental forces that affect land development.

An educational initiative developed by the Urban Land Institute, UrbanPlan has been running successfully in high schools in the US for over 15 years – reaching over 43,000 students and enabling more than 1,500 ULI members to share their experiences in land use. It brings the urban environment to life for young people through a series of interactive workshops and team working challenges.

Having been fully adapted, UrbanPlan is now running in schools in the UK thanks to the generous support of a group of funders. ULI is delivering this innovative programme in schools across the country, completely free of charge. It has now reached over 2,500 pupils in over 100 schools since its launch with 400+ industry volunteers engaged across the country.



We are delighted to announce we are the only school in Wales at this time to be selected for the UrbanPlan UK course.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

School Term Dates: 2022 - 2023

Term	Start	Half-Term Starts	Half-Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	02/09/2022	31/10/2022	04/11/2022	23/12/2022
Spring	09/01/2023	20/02/2023	24/02/2023	31/03/2023
Summer	17/04/2023	29/05/2023	02/06/2023	21/07/2023
Bank Holidays	01/05/2023		Inset Days:	02/09/2022
				28/11/2022
				23/12/2022
				13/03/2023
				30/06/2023

September 2022 Start Date

Please Note: September Start Dates

Monday 5th September 2022 - Year 7 & Year 12 Only.

Tuesday 6th September 2022 - All Year Groups.

School Term Dates: 2023 - 2024

Term	Start	Half-Term Starts	Half-Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	01/09/2023	30/10/2023	03/11/2023	22/12/2023
Spring	08/01/2024	12/02/2024	16/02/2024	22/03/2024
Summer	08/04/2024	27/05/2024	31/05/2024	19/07/2024
Bank Holidays	06/05/2024		Inset Days:	TBC

YEAR 11 - LEAVERS ASSEMBLY & PROM

A special message from Head of Year - Mrs Tiupancal.



You came into the school in September 2017 - Fresh faced, innocent and youthful - Well that's enough about me.

Today we are going to focus on you - We have an afternoon of fun, laughter, possibly tears and lots of memories... If all that fails a beautiful buffet at the end.

Let's return to the start of our journey together back in July 2017 - The school disco!

That evening I'd been to the Priory to see my previous year 11's before their prom and rushed back to meet you all. If I remember correctly, the song you were all dancing to was the Cha Cha Slide - A Classic.

Onto September 2017 - The year of the Hurricanes, Floods, The Eclipse, Trump, Bitcoin, Iphone 8 and slime.

Our journey began like any other - School trips, Red Nose Day, Show Racism the Red Card plus many other charity events where you helped to raise money.

We had almost two and a half years of normality.

We soon arrived at March 2020 - 23rd to be exact - The day the world changed for us and you became a part of history.

For years to come you will hear that you are the school children who were robbed of part of their youth, their education.

There were no more school trips. We had to get used to a whole new way of living. Face masks, hand sanitiser, lateral flows, 2 meter distancing, tier systems, traffic lights systems, one way systems, HANDS, FACE, SPACE (Good use of tripling Boris), No weddings, No parties, Loved ones dearly missed.



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Our new normal if we can call it that, 2022. Since you have all returned, i have learnt so much from you all - New trends, terminology, How to airdrop!

So, What are the best things to come out of covid? Other than your maturity, technical abilities and your inability to judge 2 meters?!

The credit that you all are to yourselves! I was worried about the real exams, especially with all things considered but you were all amazing! Within a blink of an eye, Its all over.

We've not always got it right, I've made mistakes, you've made mistakes but we have all tried our best. I said to you on one of our very first days that I met you that I had an open door policy and while I've had 3 different doors to 3 different offices over the last 5 years I do hope that i have and I still will - even though you will all go onto new pastures, whether its a job, apprenticeship, college or 6th form. I won't forget you and I will always be there for you - Although after today my counselling rates are £30 per hour.

I would like to thank all your forms tutors and mentors that have had the privilege of helping you to become who you are over the past 5 years.

Finally, Thank you for just being you and always trying so hard, even when times have been tough, you have always persevered to the very best version of yourselves.

I will miss you all very much - Good luck in your next adventure!

Love Mrs. Tx



CAERLEON COMPREHENSIVE CAREERS FAIR 2022



On Thursday 30th June, We had the pleasure of holding a Careers Fair for years 9 - 12.

Advisors from various companies attended the school to share their knowledge and skills with our students.

We would like to thank all the advisors who took the time to attend our event, It was greatly appreciated.

Attendees:

- Careers Wales
- Caerleon Comprehensive - Sixth Form
- Aberystwyth University
- Cardiff Metropolitan University
- Cardiff University
- Lancaster University
- University of South Wales
- ACT
- Mac-ED Training
- Atkins
- Royal Welsh College Of Music & Drama
- Cardiff University - Dept of Archaeology
- Coleg Gwent - Learner Services
- Coleg Gwent - Care
- Coleg Gwent - Creative & Technical Studies
- Coleg Gwent - Business
- Coleg Gwent - Services to People
- Coleg Gwent - Construction
- Coleg Gwent - Accounting
- Coleg Gwent - Business BTEC



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Attendees:

- Airbus
- Newport City Council - Employment Support Services
- Cardiff University - Pharmacy
- Royal Gwent Hospital - Nurses, Theatre Assistants & Operating Department
- Cardiff University - Optometry
- Newport City Council - Social Care
- Newport Mind - Mental Health Awareness
- Aspens Services Ltd - Catering
- Royal Navy & Royal Marines
- Fire Service
- Royal Air Force Cadets
- Royal Air Force
- Newport Flying Start - Childcare
- Vauxhall Finance



FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK

We would like to take this opportunity to wish some of our amazing, talented staff who are moving on to new pastures all the very best in their new roles.

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to:

Mr Maidment - Assistant Head Teacher

Miss Griffiths - PE Teacher



Mrs Sinclair - Maths Teacher

Mr Alcolado - Science Teacher

Mrs Rees - Welsh Teacher

Mrs Ward - Science Technician

Mrs Wall - Teaching Assistant

Mr Williams - Teaching Assistant

Good luck to all!

