

# Newsletter

Spring Term 2014

## Headteacher's Welcome

It has been an exciting spring term. It started with torrential rain as we all moved into our new facilities but finished with the first signs of summer and the new buildings and environment looking resplendent in the sunshine.

Pupils and staff alike are enjoying enormously the new school facilities and I am sure this has enhanced the wonderful learning opportunities at Cardiff High School. There is still much to do however and if you would like to help, please see our fundraising article on page 19



### Sixth Form News

Some exciting news for the Sixth Form and future post 16 students at Cardiff High School. After the Easter break, the school will take control of Ty Celyn Youth Centre and we will be turning Ty Celyn into a dedicated Cardiff High School Sixth Form block to enhance the Sixth Form experience. We are also delighted to be able to support the Community Youth Service on the school site in the evenings ensuring the viability of this provision in the community.

### Exam Preparation

While many of us look forward to an Easter break, it is a significant time for all our students who are about to embark upon their revision schedules. As always, we will be providing all our revision session information through the school website, Parentmail, Twitter and Facebook as we prepare for the summer exams. If you require any help with any of these, please email Sarah Young at [Sarah.Young@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.Young@cardiff.gov.uk).

We would like to bid a fond farewell to Helen Mann Achievement Leader of Year 7 and teacher of French as she is leaving us for a new adventure in Abu Dhabi. Also our best wishes go to Roger Fenton, design and technology technician for a happy retirement.

Finally, well done to all our students who have represented the school with distinction this term. As always, we have had magnificent success, from the school production of Les Miserables, to the sports field, to Young Enterprise, Chess and numerous other activities – much more of this in the Newsletter.

I hope that you enjoy our Spring 2014 Newsletter. Don't forget in that in the Summer Term we will produce a paper Newsletter. If you have any news you wish to include, please let us know.

# Exciting times for the CoderDojo Ninjas

Students from CHS were very privileged, as they were invited to the Palace of Westminster to showcase their coding work. They met up with others schools including Oxford, Ireland and Stockport to share their skills and projects. In preparation for this event the students had been working extremely hard to create amazing projects to showcase. As you can see below they demonstrated true professionalism as they presented their projects. Well done!



A number of MP's visited the event and Stephen Mosley MP for Chester thanked them for attending.



# Sporting news...



## **Ben Smith : Indoor Climbing**

Our congratulations go to Ben Smith in Year 7 who won the Welsh final of BMC Youth Climbing series winning all three rounds to become champion. He now goes through to the British final in Scotland on the 28<sup>th</sup> June. Good luck Ben!!



## **Matthew Prichard**

Mathew continues his excellent progress in the sport of Badminton. He has recently represented Wales in the European Open, earning his first Welsh Cap. Matthew has also made us all very proud of his badminton prowess as Under 17 Singles Runner up, Under 17 Doubles National Champion, Under 19 Doubles Runner up. We wish him the best of luck in the forthcoming Junior Belgian Open!

## **Year 9 and 11 Basketball**



Both teams recently qualified to play in the National School's finals day at the House of Sport. The Year 11 dominated their semi final beating Morryston CS 57-37 and then went on to defeat St Richard Gwyn 48-16 in the final to be crowned champions of Wales. Well done!!

Two of the squad, Alex Koukouravas and Alex Mouzakis will represent Wales Under 16 in June in the European Championships in Malta. They are captain and vice captain of the national team respectively. We wish them well!



The Year 9 team played very well in their semi final defeating St Gerard's, Bangor 28-14 but then missed out against Olchfa CS, Swansea.

Jack Solomans and Dan Koukouravas

## Cross Country

John Cove and Nick Jones continue their excellent seasons by representing Welsh Schools in the Home Countries' international in Nottingham recently. John (16<sup>th</sup>) and Nick (30<sup>th</sup>) should be proud of their achievements. John recently was crowned County Champion for the 1500 metres with a time of 3 mins 56 seconds. This ranks him 6th in Great Britain at under 20's level!



John Cove



Nick Jones

## Rugby

Rugby at Cardiff High school continues to thrive. The PE department is proud to announce that it has become only one of three school in Cardiff to receive the Rugby School's award for development of rugby throughout the school.

20 Year 12 boys successfully completed the Rugby Leader's Level 2 award as part of their Welsh Bacc qualification. They will now go into our local feeder primary schools to give pupils in Year 3 and 4 the opportunity to take up some coaching sessions.

The school Year 8 and 11 seven a side teams recently played in the National School's 7 a side tournament in Rosslyn Park, London.

Well done to the Year 8 rugby team which recently reached the semi final stage of the Cardiff Cup competition losing narrowly to Whitchurch HS

The Senior Rugby team has once again reached the final of the National Vase competition! In a pulsating semi final at the Arms Park against Bro Morgannwg, the team had to dig deep to revert a 8-21 deficit and eventually through 2 Alex Lloyd conversions won 22-21. They play Bro Myrddin, Carmarthen on Friday 11/4/14 at the Arms Park. We wish them luck!



Our congratulations to Joe who has been selected to represent Welsh Crawshay's under 18's. They travel to Portugal this weekend.



Dan has been an integral part of the Cardiff Schools V15s Rugby team this season. He recently represented them in the final of the Dewar Shield at the Millennium Stadium.



### CANAAN BROWN REPRESENTS WALES



8H pupil Canaan Brown recently represented the Welsh U13s Squash team in Dublin in the 5 Nations Tournament. Wales finished 3<sup>rd</sup> behind England and France, with Canaan recording comprehensive individual victories over both Ireland and Scotland. Canaan stated “I am extremely proud to have represented my country and play in such a prestigious tournament”. Well done Canaan!

## **AT THE DOUBLE!!**

### **YEAR 11 REACH NATIONAL FINAL!**

### **TEAM ALSO REACH CVSFA CUP FINAL FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME!**

The Y11 football team have made history by becoming the first CHS football team to reach the final of the Welsh School's Cup. After defeating Eastern High, Barry Comprehensive and Bro Morgannwg to qualify for the national rounds of the competition, the team were drawn against Lewis Boys School away in Pengam. A tight and physical affair, a Cian Cocks header and late Nick Davies penalty were enough for the boys to progress to the quarter final stages where they met Olchfa of Swansea. Despite falling behind the boys were level at half time, Dana Saed scoring just before half time. Davies scored twice to put CHS in control before Jon Leighfield's excellent strike from distance sealed the win and a place in the semi-final. Caerleon of Newport stood in their way, in a game played in Caerleon in front of over 200 Caerleon pupils. CHS fell behind after just 5 minutes, causing wild scenes from the home faithful. The team dominated the game for long periods without creating clear cut opportunities, when they did, Leighfield was denied by the post. With time running out, a CHS corner fell to Jake Morris who connected brilliantly with a dipping volley into the far top corner, a contender for goal of the season! CHS pushed for a winner and were inches away when Ethan Grant's instinctive effort was cleared off the line. Deep into stoppage time, Leighfield's break into the box was halted by a late challenge and a penalty was awarded. Davies showed great composure to slam home from the spot, silencing the home crowd and sending the travelling CHS supporters into wild celebrations! The Team will now meet Eifionydd on either Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May in Oswestry.

The boys have also reached the final of the Cardiff and Vale Cup. A penalty shootout victory over Radyr in the quarter finals set up a semi-final against Bro Morgannwg. In a game played in poor weather conditions, Y11 stamped their authority on the game early and deservedly took the lead when central defender Cocks' finished calmly for his fifth of the season. Harrison Trinder made a string of fine saves to keep Bro Morgannwg at bay before Grant's strong run and finished gave the boys breathing space. Bro Morgannwg scored late on, but with Dana Saed immense throughout, the boys held on to reach their second final of the season!



## YEAR 10 INTO CVSFA FINAL!



After defeating Fitzalan 2-1 thanks to a Tiago Michallef double, the year 10 football team met Michaelston Community College in the semi-finals. CHS started brightly and deservedly took the lead when Ben Vincent chipped the MCC keeper when one-on-one. The lead was extended when Jack Murray was first to a loose ball to tap home for a 2-0 lead at the interval. MCC pulled a goal back against the run of play, but Joe Tong finished coolly to restore the two goal lead. MCC again hit back and again CHS quickly regained control, this time James Robinson showing great composure to round the MCC keeper and slot home. Vincent's header from a Murray

cross sealed the win and place in the finals v St Teilo's High School.

## SENIOR FOOTBALLERS JUST FALL SHORT

The senior football team produced a devastating attacking display to defeat Monmouth Comprehensive 5-1 in the last 16 of the Welsh School's cup, Seb James (4) and Nick Jones with the goals. CHS met Treorchy away in the quarter final stages and despite dominating possession, a freak own goal gave the home side the lead. CHS were caught on the break as Treorchy doubled their lead and despite having much of the play, couldn't break down Treorchy's strong back four. In the semi-final of the Cardiff and Vale Cup, CHS met St Cyres and again despite controlling the game for long periods, fell behind to 2 goals in a bizarre ten minute spell. James managed to pull one back but the team were guilty of many poor finishes and agonisingly lost a game they dominated. A huge improvement on last year!



## FOOTBALL ROUND UP



Year 7 drew 5-5 with Llanishen with Barney Soady and Toby Yebdri scoring goal of the season contenders. Year 8 defeated St Teilo's 2-1 in a thrilling encounter, Charlie Allan and Luke Robinson scoring before being defeated 5-2 by Whitchurch in the CVSFA quarter finals, Rhys Shears and Jordan Lewis with the goals. Jack Yebdri scored a late equaliser to force Y9s CVSFA quarter final to be settled by penalties; unfortunately they were beaten by St Teilo's 4-3.

## CHS GOLDEN BOOT UPDATE

1<sup>st</sup> - Nick Davies (Y11) – 15

2<sup>nd</sup> - Toby Yebdri (Y7) – 8

3<sup>rd</sup> - Seb James (Y12) - 7

# Girl's sporting success!



Congratulations to Zena Alkelaby on great success in swimming this year. She has been fastest in Wales for numerous activities for her age, and was recently 0.6 of a second away from competing to represent the country in the Commonwealth Games. She also has two British qualifying times. She is very committed and dedicated to swimming and trains 9 times week.

The Year 9 girls have done a fantastic job in becoming the Cardiff and Vale County Netball Champions for the third consecutive year running. The girls demonstrated their dominance during the finals convincingly beating Corpus Christie, Howells and Llantwit Major to become Cardiff and Vale County Champions 2014.



In Sherman Dance this year the theme was Fusion. We decided to incorporate two styles of dance together – ballet, modern and a hint of street dance. The rehearsals for this dance took place every Wednesday and when it came closer to the time, we practised about 3 times a week to make sure the dance was perfect. As the show came closer, we decided on a basic costume which although looked simple, was very effective on stage. The overall performance was a huge success and after we performed we had many positive comments. Many thanks to our choreographer Faith and Miss Warlow.

By Abbey Smith, Olivia Trevelyan-Richards, Grace Lim and Grace Charles (Year 8)

# CHESS CLUB



Chess Success at Cardiff High

The chess club at Cardiff High has enjoyed a great 2014 so far with lots of exciting news and successes both on and off the board. Firstly, well done to all the students who represented CHS at the Cardiff and the Vale Schools' Championships back in February. Particular congratulations go to Yifei Chen and Lorca Heeney-Brockett for securing 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the in the U15 and U13 categories respectively. Lorca also came joint 3<sup>rd</sup> in the recent U13 Welsh Championships and has been selected to play for Wales – Da iawn!

Mr Nicol has been using chess to help teach numerical reasoning with great success. Students have enjoyed these lessons and have had to think hard to solve challenging problems. The Education Minister, Huw Lewis, was particularly impressed with this during his recent visit and shared his thoughts on Twitter:



**Huw Lewis** @WG\_EducationMin · Mar 20

Great visit to @officialCHS who are being creative in teaching numerical reasoning, using chess for problem solving [pic.twitter.com/imcylGkqAe](http://pic.twitter.com/imcylGkqAe)

The chess club continues to be busy with students from Year 7 to Year 13 attending. Finally, some good news for outdoor enthusiasts - the school has invested in a large outdoor chess set and four chess tables due to be ready for play in the summer term!



# Commonwealth Fun Run



**Ciara Thorne**



**Q & A Session**



**Young Ambassadors**

## Commonwealth Fun Run at Cardiff High School

The young ambassadors from Cardiff High School, Georgia Brown, Caitlin Gall, Laura Bleehen and Alia Yadollahi organised a wonderful Commonwealth Fun Run on the 10<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate and promote the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow this summer. The young ambassadors entered the Sport Wales 'Sport Your Trainers Day' competition to win a Team Wales athlete to visit the school. They were successful in their bid, only one of five schools in Wales, and won a visit from Ciara Horne, an international cyclist. The event was supported by Sport Cardiff and engaged approximately 300 pupils across years 7-9, each completing a course of 1 mile. There were even some pupils who further challenged themselves by completing the course as part of a 6 legged team!

Ciara Horne attended part of the day and participated in a question and answer session with 18 pupils who were selected for their sporting prowess or for regularly attending 5x60 clubs over

the year. The pupils asked some very interesting questions and really enjoyed the insight provided by Ciara, into a professional sportswoman's life. ITV also attended. The day was a huge success and engaged all the pupils in physical activity within the spirit of the Commonwealth Games.



**Year 7 hitting the home straight!**

## Cardiff University MA students inspire talented CHS pupils in a creative writing project

The English department were delighted to invite some of our most talented writers in Years 7 and 8 to take part in a creative writing day at St. Fagan's Museum held by Cardiff University lecturers and writers.

Our enthusiastic writers worked with pupils from other schools to observe, imagine and write. After lunch, pupils worked with accomplished writers from Cardiff University to perfect their writing. We were extremely proud of the passion, confidence and maturity shown by our students. We would like to thank Cardiff University for the outstanding opportunity to enhance our pupils' writing skills and we look forward to being involved in more projects in the future.



## Congratulations to all cast and crew in the very successful 2014 production of Les Misérables! Look out for the the "Les Mis" article in the Summer Newsletter

Cardiff High School students took to the boards in our new purpose built auditorium for a show stopping performance of the West End Classic "Les Miserables" in February. With a cast, crew and orchestra of well over 100 students the show was met with thunderous applause and standing ovations. The characterisation of Victor Hugo's epic novel was worthy of any professional theatre.

Charlie Collar's unique performance as Jean Valjean was both masterful and inspirational and proved the perfect counterpart to the commanding Javert played powerfully by Tom Barber. Joe Gage created a touching, emotional Marius breaking the heart of Eponine, movingly played by Jess Davies and winning the heart of the fantastic soprano Bethany Hughes' Cosette. Matthew Leaman as Enjolrais led the revolutionaries to battle at the barricade with true command whilst and Emily Hurst' Fontanine left not a dry eye in the house with "I Dreamed a Dream".

Amidst the tragedy emerged two true comic characters who delighted and revolted in equal measure! Sasha Owen's Thenardier was balanced perfectly by Lauren Evans as his madame!

Both brought the house down!

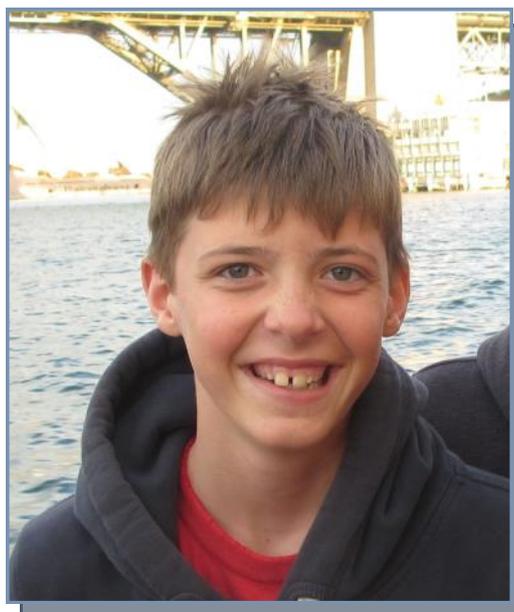




Students, staff and parents are continuing to raise funds for the Remembering Owen foundation in memory of Owen Morris, a delightful young man, who tragically died at the beginning of this school year. All monies raised will go to the charity CRY, Cardiac Risks in the Young and will help to provide screening for teenagers in the local community. Pupils have raised a staggering £3800 already with donations to the non-uniform day, the selling of Valentine's Day roses and purchasing Remembering Owen badges. Staff training for the 100 mile cycle from Cardiff to Brecon and back is going well.

Twelve teachers will be joining over one hundred members of the local community involved in 'Owen's Ride' which will take place on 5th and 6th July. The ride is starting at the Cardiff City stadium, heading along the Taff trail to Brecon for an overnight stop and finishing back here at Cardiff High School.

Please continue to support this very worthy cause, which aims to raise a total of £20 000, by joining in with forthcoming fundraising activities. Check out the school website for details or follow the progress on Twitter @RememberingOwen.



## In training



# Food Bank



Thank you to all Cardiff High form groups for the fantastic donations of food which were collected this week from Cardiff Food Bank.

A big congratulations to 7S and 7T who as forms managed to make the most plentiful food donations.  
Well done all and thank you again!!

Miss Addams & the charity reps



The Cardiff High School News Team is starting to take shape with the support of the BBC. Pupils from Years 7, 8 and 12 are working hard to learn new skills and report on a variety of stories. If you'd like to know more about the Cardiff High School News Team, send us a story or be involved please follow us on Twitter.



**We are @CHSBBCNEWSTEAM!**

# Love Locks

“For several years now, love locks have been considered one of Cologne’s most charming traditions. As proof of their love, couples fix padlocks to the railings on the Hohenzollern Bridge; to ensure everlasting love, they then throw the key into the Rhein river below.”

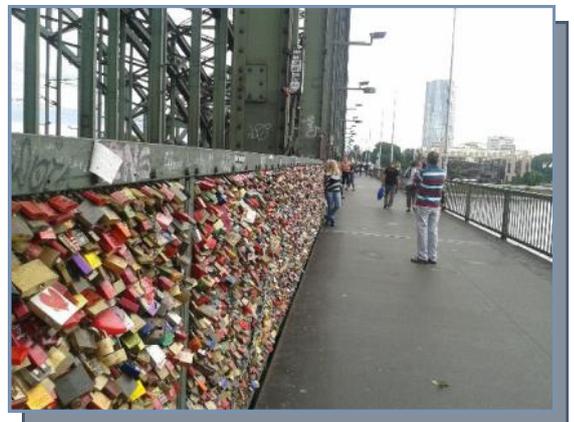


## Cardiff High Goes to Market!

The Christmas Markets in Cologne that is! Last December for 3 days, 40 pupils and 5 staff explored the beautiful city of Cologne, one of Germany’s oldest and most awe-inspiring cities. We climbed the 509 steps of Cologne Cathedral – some pupils racing to the top in under 5 minutes! Impressive! – to be met with a wonderful panoramic view of the city, the river Rhine, the stunning Hohenzollern bridge and, of course the numerous Christmas markets below us. In just a few days we visited the impressive Chocolate museum, where pupils were able to create their own chocolate bar, and the Hohenzollern Bridge. Here the pupils experienced one of Cologne’s most charming traditions – the love lock. For several years now, as proof of their love, couples fix padlocks to the railings on the Hohenzollern Bridge; to ensure everlasting love, they then throw the key into the Rhine river below. To prove our love for our school we added our own lock!

But the main highlight for the pupils was the Christmas markets themselves. Here the pupils practised their German in a truly authentic setting, purchasing gifts for themselves and their families and friends and, of course, indulging in the local delicacies, such as waffles, Schnitzel and the infamous Currywurst, which has won a few more fans – including Miss McDade!

Thanks to you everyone who made it such an enjoyable and successful visit!





### **Green Flag**

At the end of last term members of the eco committee met with Eco School Wales representatives to be assessed for the school's first green flag. The visitors were impressed with the work of the eco committee and the action plan they've put in place to make sure the school continues to reduce its environmental impact. We were awarded the flag and you can see it flying proudly at the entrance to the school.



### **Orienteering Course**

Working with the PE department and the 'Friends of Nant Fawr Community Woods' the eco group made and installed an orienteering course. It is situated in Nant Fawr woods between Llandennis Avenue and Rhydypennau. The course was created from posts and old blackboards salvaged from the recent building work around the school. It is now being used by pupils as part of the PE curriculum.

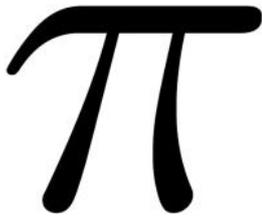


### **Tree Planting**

On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March all year 7 pupils were involved in planting 420 dogwood, hawthorn, hazel, silver birch, rowan and wild cherry trees around the school. The trees were donated by the woodland trust and have been used to create hedges. They can be found at the front of the school and the nurture garden. We've also used them to help create an area we hope to turn into a meadow. The day was a real success and we hope to repeat it next year.



To continue our work in improving the school environment we would be grateful for donations of any old gardening equipment. This could include gloves, spades, trowels, wheelbarrows, watering cans, pots or planters. We've also got some areas we'd like to plant with herbs, shrubs and flowers so any labelled cuttings or old bulbs would be really appreciated.



## Hungry for Pi

The Mathematical Association was founded in 1871: their website explains “the original catalyst being the need to develop and to lobby for alternatives to the then standard treatment of geometry”. In another first for the school, two Year 11 students, Rory Xiao and Aidan Bell, have just contributed to that project with a research article in the March issue of the Association’s “Mathematics in School”. The boys’ work began in a lesson on areas of circles and segments in year 10. They were interested in how the most famous of irrational numbers has been calculated to different degrees of accuracy over the ages. Collaborative work over several weeks, in and out of school, led to them delivering a series of lessons to their class explaining their version of Archimedes’ search over 2000 years ago.

Their article sits alongside the work of university academics and has earned them a special mention at the start of Professor John Berry’s editorial. Many thanks are due to Professor Berry for his help and guidance throughout the process.



Aidan and Rory move infinitesimally close to their goal.

## Towards the Light – educational visit to Paris – La Ville-Lumière

The darkness of a 4.30am start did not quell the anticipated excitement of a cultural and linguistic adventure. Fifty-five pupils and six staff set off to explore the delights of Parisian galleries, architecture, cuisine and language and were not left disappointed!

After a coach journey and a short crossing through 'Le Tunnel sous la Manche' we arrived at our hotel and settled in. From there we set off via the Métro, to experience the Alsatian speciality of Flammkuechen for dinner at Flamm's – Bon Appétit, for most!

A short walk to the Montparnasse Tower and a fantastic night view of the whole of Paris! The 56th floor and panoramic terrace of the Montparnasse Tower showed us Paris from a different perspective. Europe's fastest lift took us to a height of 200 metres in 38 seconds where we had a stunning view of all the illuminated monuments of the capital. We made the most of the multimedia activities and photo exhibition before accessing the highest panoramic point in Paris.

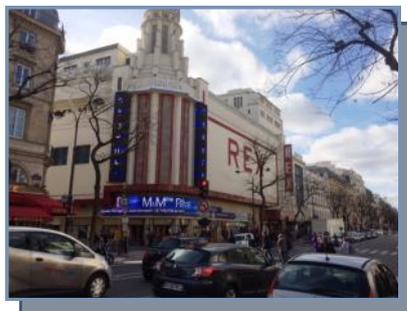
A sunny Sunday morning wander around Place des Ternes to meet Annie, our guide, for the street markets of the 'quartier'. The perfume of mimosa and the tastes of fresh local produce abound. Pupils savoured the market's wares: 'saucisson sec – Rose de Lyon' eaten with 'pain épice', three local cheeses with traditional French bread, seasonal fruits and 'un petit chocolat' to finish.

With senses and energies charged, a short walk to L'Arc de Triomphe, at the western end of the Champs-Élysées, to see the names of all French victories and generals of the French Revolution and the Napoleonic Wars inscribed on its inner and outer surfaces. Also its vault where lies the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier from World War I. A steep climb to the top for a clear view of Paris, by day this time!

Our afternoon spent behind the scenes at Cinéma Rex – Europe's largest cinema – was enjoyable and punctuated with a scream or two! We enjoyed the special effects and the projections of the history of film and cinema at the Rex including the making of a film.....starring the pupils and staff of Cardiff High School! The prize for the best voice-over in French "Je vous aime" (I love you) went to.....Jerry Casserly (Year 12)! The stars of the screen then headed to the river for a cruise along the Seine on the Bateaux-Mouches, taking in the Eiffel Tower and other famous monuments.

Monday was the day where fairytales take flight over five magical lands filled with Disney magic for every dreamer! Years 12 and 13 were keen to use their French at every opportunity, and spoke French even to each other. The French presentation about special effects at the Armageddon experience was fascinating. French was spoken even at Reading services on the British side of our journey home!

Thanks to the parents who supported the French/Art venture. A hugely successful visit, thanks to all staff and all pupils who made it very enjoyable and very memorable!



# Science Department

## The Big Bang Fair

CHS attended the Big Bang Fair for the first time in March. Fifty year nine pupils travelled to the Birmingham NEC to visit the annual national event that celebrates the very best of British STEM (Science, Technology, Maths and Engineering). Pupils, universities and companies from all over the country gathered to promote and inspire pupils from 5-18 years old. Our pupils had a fantastic day and I think some have now set their sights on a career in science!



# Science Department

## CREST Award

60 year nine pupils took part in a STEM discovery challenge earlier this month. Students worked in teams designing an Eco-friendly community garden. From project manager, to social specialist, either pupils were leading, co-ordinating, undertaking scientific experiments on soil or were involved in the costing of the garden. The team had to research materials, fuel costs, alternative energy sources and many other factors before presenting their project to the rest of the group in the afternoon. The STEM ambassadors involved in the day were thoroughly impressed with the level of commitment and skill demonstrated by our pupils and consequently they all gained their first ever Discovery CREST award. Congratulations!



## University Visit

Y12 Physics students attended the Annual Christmas Lecture at Cardiff University. The talk on Simple Harmonic Motion was delivered by guest speaker Dan Darwell and pupils experienced their first ever university style lecture which certainly kept them on their toes and gave them excellent practice for their January exams.

## Techniquist

Y13 biology students became real scientists for the day when visiting the genetics labs at Techniquist. The students took part in a genetic engineering workshop, where they made 34 billion copies of their own DNA under the expert guidance of Techniquist's team of scientists. They enjoyed first-hand experience carrying out techniques such as PCR and electrophoresis. This was followed by some thought provoking debates on the pros and cons of genetic engineering when they returned to the classroom.



## Spectroscopy in a Suitcase

Year 12 pupils enjoyed a hands on experience when Cardiff University Chemistry department led by Dr Dayna Mason and her team demonstrated spectroscopy techniques. The pupils were able to use over £25,000 worth of equipment to sample different compounds, and work out unusual unknown samples. Pupils were engaged and were able to apply their Chemistry skills to use analytical laboratory equipment and novel techniques, while also preparing them for their AS level examination.



# Duke of Edinburgh

## Gold Award



The Pupils from Left to Right : Sam Morris, Zach Jones, Katie Monnickendam, Ben Maheson, Madeline Walsh and Cara Thompson

On March the 19th seven past students of CHS travelled to St James Palace to be presented with their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. The students mingled and chatted to the Duke of Edinburgh before being presented with their awards by Tori James a Welsh Adventurer who, In 2007, became the youngest British woman and the first Welsh woman to climb to the summit of Mount Everest.



# Text to donate

Please help us raise funds by texting CHS5 or CHS10 to 70500 to donate either £5 or £10 to Cardiff High School.

If you are a UK taxpayer you can even gift aid your donation.

The text will cost you your normal network charge and 100% of your donation will come to Cardiff High School



## Raise egg-stra donations for Cardiff High School - CHS Shop this Easter!

Whatever you shop for this Easter – treats for the family, trips and days out, or DIY supplies and home or garden improvements - remember to shop online via [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) and raise a donation for Cardiff High School - CHS Shop !

There are over 2,700 retailers registered with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk), including Hotel Chocolat, Thorntons, Haven, Homebase and B&Q, who will all make a donation when you make a purchase.

You'll find everything you need for a great Easter at [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk)!

Just visit <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/chsshop> and follow the simple steps to sign up.

Easy!



# *Young Enterprise*

Y12 students enjoyed huge success at the Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan Young Enterprise Final, winning the Most Innovative Product Award, Best Trade Stand, Best Interview and the overall award for Best Young Enterprise Company!

The winning Young Enterprise group, Clarity, produced a solution to broken iPhone chargers. They designed both the product and packaging themselves then liaised with a company to mass produce it making over 700 fully packaged products. The scale of this production is impressive from a company which only began in September.

Cardiff High School's second Young Enterprise Company, Aguzzo, produced 100% handmade home senses. These products looked outstanding and the group rightfully won Best Trade Stand and best interview at the final.

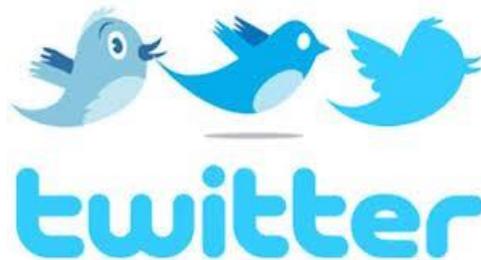
Clarity will go on to compete in the Welsh Finals on the 17<sup>th</sup> June. We wish them the very best of luck!





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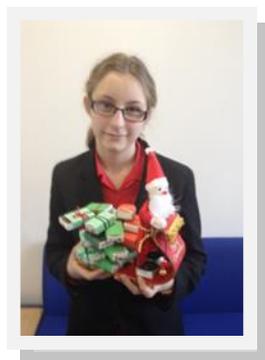
## Year 10 Religious Studies

As part of the Year 10 GCSE Religious Studies course students study a module on Relationships. During the week beginning the 17<sup>th</sup> February the RP lessons were delivered by Dave Shutt, a Youth Worker in All Nations Church Cardiff. The sessions focussed upon all aspects of Christian Relationships and the students enthusiastically engaged with the topic area. They were also encouraged to ask questions, which often challenged Dave's beliefs, further developing their skills of discussion and evaluation technique.



## Year 7 RP Advent Calendar Competition

Whilst Christmas seems a very long time ago, we would like to congratulate the winners of the 2013 Advent Competition. There were some fantastic entries again and our thanks go to Mr Cruz for judging this prestigious event. Congratulations to our winners:



1<sup>st</sup> – Lottie Barratt



2<sup>nd</sup> – Gillian Howells



3<sup>rd</sup> – Scott Brown

### Runners up prizes were also awarded to:

Jacob Paynter  
Rhys Berube Jones  
Bronwen Rees  
Olivia Rees  
Chloe Stock  
Lucy Payne  
Aimee Bailey

# Many thanks to our sponsor's for the Very successful Multicultural Food Evening!



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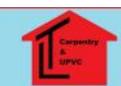
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