



March/Mawrth 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the spring term, we would like to thank you for your continued support of our school community. It has been a busy and purposeful few months, filled with learning, creativity and achievement across all areas of the school. Throughout the term, staff have been impressed by the enthusiasm, maturity and positivity shown by our students as they engage with their learning and contribute to the wider life of Whitchurch High School.

This has been a term marked by many memorable experiences. Our school production of *Little Shop of Horrors*, led by our Performing Arts Faculty, once again demonstrated the commitment and energy of the students who performed, played and supported behind the scenes as part of this ambitious school production. Our Sixth Form visit to CERN offered a very different kind of enrichment, giving learners the opportunity to explore world leading scientific research, visit the Antimatter Factory and Geneva Observatory, and speak with scientists working at the forefront of global innovation. We were also incredibly proud to see Lebron from Ty Calon recognised nationally as ASDAN's first ever Champion for his exceptional contribution to the community, a hugely well-deserved achievement that reflects the kindness and integrity we see so often in our learners.

Alongside these experiences, a number of academic and cultural opportunities have broadened our learners' horizons. Fifteen students took part in the ENCAP–SEREN Network event, engaging in workshops in English Literature, Creative Writing, Linguistics and Philosophy, giving them a genuine insight into university level study. Students from Ty Calon also spent a meaningful morning at the Al-khlas Centre for Culture and Education, taking part in activities that enriched their Humanities learning and deepened their understanding of the world around them.

This term also brought moments of celebration across the wider school community. Our Year 7 Annual Eisteddfod brought the year group together in a vibrant celebration of Welsh culture, filled with music, drama and creative performance, and featuring a fantastic guest appearance from musician Mei Gwynedd. Our students also represented the school with distinction in the BIS National Synchronised Skating Cup, where Lowri (Year 7) and Paige (Year 9) helped their team secure an impressive second place finish under the guidance of their coach, a former Whitchurch High School student. Meanwhile, our Year 7 and 8 Reading Ambassadors visited several of our partner primary schools as part of World Book Day, sharing stories and encouraging younger pupils to develop a love of reading. These activities, together with the rich learning taking place every day in lessons, reflect the pride, belonging and aspiration that lie at the heart of our school.

As we look ahead to the summer term, attention naturally turns to the important months ahead for our learners in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 as they prepare for their public examinations. We understand that this can be a demanding and sometimes anxious period, and we remain fully committed to supporting students academically and emotionally. Parents, carers and pupils can find a range of helpful study resources on our school website, <https://www.whitchurchhs.wales/> including platforms such as GCSEPod, along with guidance to support effective revision at home.

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We would also like to remind parents and carers to check ParentPay regularly to ensure accounts are up to date. We encourage families to visit the **school website** frequently, as key dates, calendar updates and important communications are posted there throughout the year. All previous letters and announcements can also be found on the website, so if you think you may have missed anything, this is the best place to check.

When contacting the school, whether by phone or email, please include your child's full name and form group, as this helps us direct your enquiry quickly to the appropriate member of staff. The school's email address is whs@whitchurch.cardiff.sch.uk. For safeguarding reasons, we kindly ask that parents and carers do not visit the school site without a prior appointment. If you do need to come into school, please report directly to Reception, where our administrative staff will be happy to assist you. We would also like to remind families that our reception and administrative teams work extremely hard to support the whole school community, and we appreciate your courtesy and patience when communicating with them.

Finally, as we move into the final term of the academic year, we ask for your continued support in upholding our high expectations around uniform and punctuality. A consistent approach at home and in school helps ensure that every learner is ready to engage positively with their lessons and continues to present themselves with pride as part of our community. As a reminder our uniform requirements can be found on our website via this link: [Uniform](#)

Thank you once again for your support throughout this term. We hope you and your family enjoy a restful and happy Easter break, and we look forward to welcoming students back, refreshed and ready for the final term ahead on **Monday 13th April**.

Kind regards/Cofion cynnes,

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