

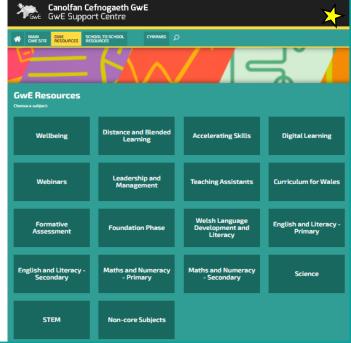




Please share our Bulletin with your whole staff team in your school and encourage all your colleagues to subscribe to our mailing list.

GwE Support Centre

The GwE Support Centre has been redesigned! The new site is now live and includes all the resources created by the region's schools to support learning through this challenging period as well as the resources created by GwE to support schools and learners. The centre will now be used to share resources with schools and will be updated regularly so be sure to visit regularly to see the latest items. The centre contains documents, presentations, videos and links that are useful for all schools in the region. You can access the centre by visiting GwE's website and clicking on 'GwE Support Gentre' which can be found at the top of the page.





Contacting GwE

We're here to help! We're online and available to support schools and governors.

Contact us at post@gwegogledd.cymru and we'll get back to you ASAP.















GwE Professional Offer

Please follow this link to the GwE Professional Offer for 2020-2021.

The GwE Offer, which includes all the details of the professional development training that GwE offers over the next year, is live on G6 [https://g6.gwegogledd.cymru].

To register to attend the training listed, all school staff will need to create a personal account on G6. This can be done by following **this link** and clicking on the 'Register Now' button. Please see the manuals **here**.

Please ensure that any bookings are made on G6 at least 48 hours prior to the start date.

16/03/2021 - 23/04/2021	DATE	MEDIUM
NQT Workshop Day 2: Wel+A1+A2:B23+A2:B24+A1+A2:B23+A2:B23+A2:C23	16/03/2021	English
NQT Workshop Day 2: Welsh Curriculum Update for NQTs	16/03/2021	Welsh
NQT Workshop Day 2: Welsh Curriculum Update for NQTs - additional session	16/03/2021	Bilingual
Literacy and Numeracy: Designing your Curriculum in KS2 (English medium)	16/03/2021	English
Literacy and Numeracy: Designing your Curriculum in KS2 (Welsh medium)	17/03/2021	Welsh
Heads of English Network Meetings	17/03/2021	English
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (CONWY SCHOOLS)	17/03/2021	Bilingual
NQT Workshop Day 2b: Well-being across the Curriculum for NQTs (Welsh medium)	17/03/2021	Welsh
NQT Workshop Day 2b: Well-being across the Curriculum for NQTs (English medium)	18/03/2021	English
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (FLINT/WREXHAM SCHOOLS)	18/03/2021	English
The Observational Checklist	19/03/2021	English
NQT Workshop Day 2: Welsh Curriculum Update for NQTs	19/03/2021	English
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (GWYNEDD SCHOOLS)	22/03/2021	Welsh
A kit bag to Promoting Positive Behaviour (PRIMARY TEACHING ASSISTANTS)	22/03/2021	Bilingual
A kit bag to Promoting Positive Behaviour SECONDARY (SECONDARY TEACHING ASSISTANTS)	23/03/2021	Bilingual
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (DENBIGHSHIRE SCHOOLS)	23/03/2021	Bilingual
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (ANGLESEY SCHOOLS)	24/03/2021	Welsh
NQT Workshop Day 2b: Well-being across the Curriculum for NQTs - additional session at 15:40	24/03/2021	Bilingual
Formative Assessment/ Shirley Clarke Project- REVIEW MEETING FOR TIER 3 (CONWY SCHOOLS)	25/03/2021	Bilingual
360 Safe Cymru - Live/ on demand Webinar	14/04/2021	Bilingual
360 Safe Cymru - Live/on demant Webinar (Welsh Medium)	14/04/2021	Welsh
360 Safe Cymru - Live/ On demand Webinar (English medium)	15/04/2021	English

GwE News and Information

Professional Financial Education Training

All practitioners working with learners aged 9 to 12 years are invited to take part in the Wales Pathfinder project. This project will aim to provide practitioners with professional development opportunities to support their learners' knowledge, skills and attitudes in the key areas of financial education. Funded by the Money and Pensions Service, this will be delivered by Young Money and supported by GwE over the spring and summer terms in 2021. Free training, resources and ongoing support will be provided to all who participate, and cover costs will be included.

For more information please click <u>here</u>













GwE Global Futures: International Languages

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

CDG and Assessment plans Network meeting: Wednesday 17th March 3.30 pm - on Zoom

Information and registration: stephanieelliswilliams@gwegogledd.cymru

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The Spanish Embassy Education Office (Consejería de Educación) in collaboration with Junta de Castilla y León is offering **a half-day online session for Primary teachers on 20 March**: Ideas for teaching Spanish in Primary. It will include 3 practical workshops delivered bilingually in Spanish and English:

- 9:00 Spanish vocabulary pills for primary students.
- 10:00 Let's get to know Spain: a game to get started with Spanish culture.
- 11:00 Tell me a story: a project to awaken emotions in Spanish class.

Registration is free and it is already open: https://forma.administracionelectronica.gob.es/form/open/corp/4804/PDzF

Participants may win a scholarship for a training course in Castilla y León in the raffle that will take place at the end of the session.

Global Futures Newsletter

The latest issues of the GwE Global Futures newsletter are now available. Click on the buttons below.

PRIMARY SECTOR | SECONDARY SECTOR

Formative Assessment / Shirley Clarke Project REVIEW MEETINGS FOR TIER 3 SCHOOLS - MARCH 2021

All Tier 3 schools teachers are invited to join us in review meetings to share experiences over the past year and look forward to the future. There will be opportunities to consider formative assessment in the context of blended learning and also pedagogy in our preparations for the Curriculum for Wales.

Meetings will be held from 3:15 until 4:30 on the following dates:

- 24 March Anglesey schools
- 22 March Gwynedd schools
- 17 March / 25 March Conwy schools
- 23 March Denbigh schools
- 18 March Flint / Wrexham schools

Please select one date and register on **G6**

SAFMEDS update

New resources to support the use of SAFMEDS numeracy strategy in school and at home are available on the <u>GwE Support Centre</u>.

Implementation support is available via video link to all schools in the GwE region.

Kaydee Owen (research support officer) will be hosting drop-in sessions (9am-5pm) on the following dates:

Book a one to one slot online: https://calendly.com/safmeds/drop-in.

15 April
10 May
8 June

If you require any additional support outside of these designated dates please email kaydee.owen@bangor.ac.uk.

For any teachers or support staff wanting to access full online SAFMEDS training, please watch the <u>video introduction to precision</u> <u>teaching and the SAFMEDS strategy</u>.













STEM Resources

Are you looking for a quick and easy way to find out about free resources to support you in your teaching of science and technology? GwE is working with STEMpowered Learning to provide schools with a bilingual version of this regular resource update. Sign up for our free monthly spreadsheet here: http://eepurl.com/dMy9VQ



Second Advertisement: Can you spare 10 minutes to complete a short survey about well-being provision in GwE schools?

GwE is collaborating with the University of Warwick to investigate whole-school mental well-being provision in North Wales schools. We would very much appreciate the support of all schools to help us gain a comprehensive picture of whole school well-being provision across the region. Our aim is to use these findings to enhance GwE's support for improving pupils' well-being as part of our evidence-based approach. This important initiative has gained additional significance as schools and pupils adjust to the challenges presented by the coronavirus pandemic.

For more information please click here. To access the survey please click here.

Welsh Government Information and Guidance

Embedding a whole-school approach to mental health and well-being



The whole-school approach is about supporting good emotional and mental well-being by making relationships stronger:

- between you and your teachers; and
- between parents, families, carers, and any professionals working with the school

Our new statutory framework supports everyone to ensure positive mental health and emotional well-being of all learners and staff is at the heart of every school.

Pupil Development Grant (PDG) Access Campaign

Pupil Development Grant [PDG] Access supports families with the costs of uniforms, kit and equipment, targeting the families that need it most: learners eligible for free school meals and looked-after children.

New school years are now eligible and criteria has been extended to include laptops or tablets.

Further information available here. Click here to view the flyer.



British Science Week

As part **of British Science Week**, the Welsh Government Office for Science has created a series of videos from prominent *Sêr Cymru* programme researchers from across Wales. The prestigious *Sêr Cymru* programme is the multi-million pound funding programme that brings scientific talent into research posts in Wales from across the globe since 2012.

We invite learners and teachers to view these sessions to learn more about the research of Wales' leading scientific researchers.

These videos are specifically aimed at Year 12 and 13 A/AS level learners and are a mixture of webinars and short talks.

The videos can be found on the Hwb website and will be available from 8 March 2021.

Further information available here.













Beyond Covid: Learning in the Next Phase

As we look forward to a welcome return to face-to-face teaching, Welsh Government is offering the opportunity to take part in a national online conversation. This will offer an opportunity to share experiences and learning, help plan for the year ahead and help shape the national approach to moving beyond Covid.

Short videos by leading educationalists will be shared to prompt discussions in your schools, and frame the conversations on the day. Every school will be funded to send one representative to an event, who will thereafter consider and discuss back at their school and continue to contribute. There is no requirement that attendees occupy a certain role e.g. Headteacher or senior leader. We welcome a range of views.

Conversations on the day will be held in 'rooms' of up to 20 practitioners, facilitated by fellow practitioners.

Dates and times:

- Thursday 18 March, 10.00 12.30
- Tuesday 23 March, 15.30 18.00

Further details are available on the **Hwb event page**

Please register via Eventbrite and email MyraDavies@GwEGogledd.Cymru

Regional School Improvement Consortia News and Information

Pupil Development Grant and Supporting Vulnerable Learners Focus Week: Impact and evidence based practice

22 - 26 MARCH - 09:30 - 10:30 and 10:30 - 11:30

Key note speakers and a wide range of workshops throughout the week with flexibility to choose.

See <u>link</u> for further information and how to register.



Information and Guidance from Others

Clic-it Cymru



March's issue of Clic-it Cymru released! <u>Click here</u> for numerous articles and activities to be held in class or independently from home.





Choose Your Future, Welsh in the Workplace



Careers Wales is pleased to invite you and your pupils to the Choose Your Future, Welsh in the Workplace digital event.

This free careers event is aimed at pupils in years 10 upwards from Welsh-medium schools and A Level Welsh pupils in English- medium schools. The event is also open to college students.

The event aims to make pupils aware of the types of jobs they can do using their Welsh language skills and to encourage them to continue with their Welsh language skills when they leave school.

Click here to join the session on the day. For more information, please contact marketing@careerswales.gov.wales















Eisteddfod T - Urdd Gobaith Cymru

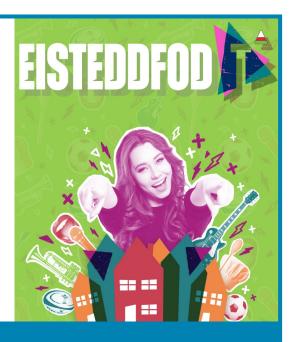
Eisteddfod T is back, and it's an opportunity for all students to compete in the Urdd's digital festival this year.

Singing, lip-syncing or celebrity impersonations – from the traditional to Tiktok, from arts and crafts to instrumentals, from street dancing to science, there's something for everyone in Eisteddfod T, and don't forget that there are many, many competitions especially for Welsh learners! And to top it all off, you don't have to be a member of the Urdd to compete this year!

The list of competitions and instructions on how to compete are available here.

Competing will open on 1 March, and the Urdd will need to receive all performances or work by 26 March by uploading it to the website above.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact eisteddfod@urdd.org, and we look forward to see your performances!





Catch-up Sessions Wales - e-sgol

The Covid pandemic has resulted in students across Wales missing out on certain aspects and the opportunity to improve skills in various GCSE, AS and A level subjects. In order to support pupils across Wales, e-sgol will be running a number of sessions to support pupils with aspects of their work.

These webinar sessions will be a live event on Microsoft Teams and facilitated by teachers from across Wales who have an expertise in the subject they are delivering. The sessions will be recorded and can be used at a later date.

For more information including when the sessions will be held, visit this website or follow the instructions on the poster.













