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Summer Term / Tymor y Haf

Half Term : Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May /
Hanner Tymor: Dydd Llun Mai 26 – Dydd Gwener Mai 30
End / Diwedd: Friday 18th July 2025 / Dydd Gwener 18 Gorffennaf 2025

Week Beginning - Monday 5th May 2025 – Week 2

Monday	GCSE EXAMS	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

Week Beginning - Monday 12st May 2025 – Week 1

Monday	GCSE EXAMS	
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		



Year 11 GCSE Exam Timetable

Date	Start	Length	Component Code	Exam
Tue 06 May	09:00	01:00	6300QCL-1	Entry Level Mathematics-Numeracy 1
Thu 08 May	09:00	01:30	3310U10-1	Maths-Num UNIT1 Found Noncalculator
Thu 08 May	09:00	01:45	3310U50-1	Maths-Num UNIT1 Higher Noncalculator
Thu 08 May	09:00	01:45	3310U30-1	Maths-Num UNIT1 Intermediate Noncalculator
Fri 09 May	09:00	01:30	3690U30-1	Drama Unit 3 Interpreting Theatre
Fri 09 May	13:00	02:00	3510U10-1	Business Unit 1 Business World
Mon 12 May	09:00	02:00	3720U10-1	Eng Lit Unit 1 Foundation: Written
Mon 12 May	09:00	02:00	3720UA0-1	Eng Lit Unit 1 Higher: Written
Mon 12 May	13:00	01:45	3500U10-1	Comp Science Unit 1 Understanding
Tue 13 May	09:00	01:30	3110U10-1	Geography Unit 1
Tue 13 May	13:00	01:45	3400U20-1	Biology Unit 2 Foundation: Written
Tue 13 May	13:00	01:45	3400UB0-1	Biology Unit 2 Higher: Written
Tue 13 May	13:00	01:15	3430U40-1	Science Double Unit 4 Foundation
Tue 13 May	13:00	01:15	3430UD0-1	Science Double Unit 4 Higher
Wed 14 May	09:00	01:30	3020U30-1	Welsh Second Language UNIT3: Written
Thu 15 May	09:00	01:30	3300U10-1	Maths UNIT1 Foundation Noncalculator
Thu 15 May	09:00	01:45	3300U50-1	Maths UNIT1 Higher Noncalculator
Thu 15 May	09:00	01:45	3300U30-1	Maths UNIT1 Intermediate Noncalculator
Fri 16 May	09:00	01:00	3100UC0-1	History Unit 1C: Written
Fri 16 May	13:00	01:30	3510U20-1	Business Unit 2 Business Perceptions
Mon 19 May	09:00	01:45	3410U20-1	Chemistry Unit 2 Foundation: Written
Mon 19 May	09:00	01:45	3410UB0-1	Chemistry Unit 2 Higher: Written
Mon 19 May	09:00	01:15	3430U50-1	Science Double Unit 5 Foundation
Mon 19 May	09:00	01:15	3430UE0-1	Science Double Unit 5 Higher
Mon 19 May	13:00	02:00	3550U10-1	PE Unit 1 Intro to PE
Tue 20 May	09:00	02:00	3720U20-1	Eng Lit Unit 2A Foundation: Written
Tue 20 May	09:00	02:00	3720UB0-1	Eng Lit Unit 2A Higher: Written
Tue 20 May	13:00	02:00	3500U20-1	Comp Science Unit 2 Comp Thinking
Wed 21 May	09:00	00:35	3800U20-1	French Unit 2 Foundation: Listening
Wed 21 May	09:00	01:00	3800U30-1	French Unit 3 Foundation: Reading
Wed 21 May	09:00	00:45	3800UB0-1	French Unit 2 Higher: Listening
Wed 21 May	09:00	01:15	3800UC0-1	French Unit 3 Higher: Reading
Wed 21 May	13:00	02:00	3120UB0-1	Religious Studies Unit 1B: Written
Thu 22 May	09:00	01:45	3420U20-1	Physics Unit 2 Foundation: Written
Thu 22 May	09:00	01:45	3420UB0-1	Physics Unit 2 Higher: Written
Thu 22 May	09:00	01:15	3430U60-1	Science Double Unit 6 Foundation
Fri 23 May	09:00	02:00	3700U20-1	English Language Unit 2 Description
Mon 02 Jun	09:00	01:30	3020U40-1	Welsh Second Language UNIT4: Written

Mon 02 Jun	13:00	01:30	3570UB0-1	Hsc and Childcare Unit 1 Paper
Tue 03 Jun	09:00	01:30	3540U10-1	Digital Tech Unit 1 Digital World
Tue 03 Jun	09:00	00:45	1RU0 1H	Russian Listening (H)
Tue 03 Jun	09:00	01:05	1RU0 3H	Russian Reading (H)
Wed 04 Jun	09:00	01:30	3310U20-1	Maths-Num UNIT2 Foundation Calculator
Wed 04 Jun	09:00	01:45	3310U60-1	Maths-Num UNIT2 Higher Calculator
Wed 04 Jun	09:00	01:45	3310U40-1	Maths-Num UNIT2 Intermediate Calculator
Wed 04 Jun	13:00	02:00	3120U20-1	Religious Studies Unit 2B: Written
Thu 05 Jun	09:00	01:00	3100UF0-1	History Unit 2B: Written
Thu 05 Jun	13:00	01:15	3800U40-1	French Unit 4 Foundation: Writing
Thu 05 Jun	13:00	01:30	3800UD0-1	French Unit 4 Higher: Writing
Fri 06 Jun	09:00	02:00	3700U30-1	English Language UNIT3 Argumentation
Fri 06 Jun	13:00	01:30	3110U20-1	Geography Unit 2
Mon 09 Jun	09:00	01:45	3400U10-1	Biology Unit 1 Foundation: Written
Mon 09 Jun	09:00	01:45	3400UA0-1	Biology Unit 1 Higher: Written
Mon 09 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430U10-1	Science Double Unit 1 Foundation
Mon 09 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430UA0-1	Science Double Unit 1 Higher
Mon 09 Jun	13:00	01:00	98110001	Constructing Built Environment Unit 1
Tue 10 Jun	09:00	00:35	3810U20-1	Spanish Unit 2 Foundation: Listening
Tue 10 Jun	09:00	01:00	3810U30-1	Spanish Unit 3 Foundation: Reading
Tue 10 Jun	09:00	00:45	3810UB0-1	Spanish Unit 2 Higher: Listening
Tue 10 Jun	09:00	01:15	3810UC0-1	Spanish Unit 3 Higher: Reading
Tue 10 Jun	09:00	01:20	5259UB0-1	Sport & Coaching Unit 1: Paper
Tue 10 Jun	13:00	01:15	3100UJ0-1	History Unit 3A: Written
Wed 11 Jun	09:00	01:30	3300U20-1	Maths UNIT2 Foundation Calculator
Wed 11 Jun	09:00	01:45	3300U60-1	Maths UNIT2 Higher Calculator
Wed 11 Jun	09:00	01:45	3300U40-1	Maths UNIT2 Intermediate Calculator
Thu 12 Jun	13:00	01:20	5409UB0-1	Hosp & Catering Unit 1: Paper
Thu 12 Jun	13:00	01:25	1RU0 4H	Russian Writing (H)
Fri 13 Jun	09:00	01:45	3410U10-1	Chemistry Unit 1 Foundation: Written
Fri 13 Jun	09:00	01:45	3410UA0-1	Chemistry Unit 1 Higher: Written
Fri 13 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430U20-1	Science Double Unit 2 Foundation
Fri 13 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430UB0-1	Science Double Unit 2 Higher
Mon 16 Jun	09:00	01:45	3420U10-1	Physics Unit 1 Foundation: Written
Mon 16 Jun	09:00	01:45	3420UA0-1	Physics Unit 1 Higher: Written
Mon 16 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430U30-1	Science Double Unit 3 Foundation
Mon 16 Jun	09:00	01:15	3430UC0-1	Science Double Unit 3 Higher
Mon 16 Jun	13:00	01:00	3660U30-1	Music Unit 3 Appraising
Tue 17 Jun	09:00	01:15	3810U40-1	Spanish Unit 4 Foundation: Writing
Tue 17 Jun	09:00	01:30	3810UD0-1	Spanish Unit 4 Higher: Writing
Tue 17 Jun	09:00	02:30	95500001	Additional Maths Written Paper
Tue 17 Jun	13:00	01:30	3560UA0-1	Food & Nutrition Unit 1 Written
Wed 18 Jun	09:00	02:00	3603U10-1	D & T (Product design) UNIT1 D & T in 21st Cen

Ysgol Cwm Brombil Social Media Accounts

We are glad to announce that we have created our very own Ysgol Cwm Brombil Instagram account. We also have Instagram account of other departments in our school. Why not follow some of our accounts.



[Ysgolcwmbrombil](#)



[YCB_Garden](#)



[YCB_PE](#)



[YCB_Mfl](#)



[YCB_Science](#)



[YCB_Performingarts](#)



[YCB_Primary](#)



[YCB_GivingClub](#)



[YCB_Geography](#)



[YCB_Religiousstudies](#)



[YCB_HealthWell](#)



[YCB_Internationclub](#)

YCB Gardens

Massive shout out to the Cynydd boys today for giving up one of their holiday days to come into school and graft! We pulled down and rebuilt our outdoor learning classroom-start to (almost) finish- in relentless, pouring rain, and they didn't moan once. Absolute legends!



BENEFITS OF REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Aim for an average of at least 60 minutes of moderate or vigorous intensity physical activity a day across the week



BOOSTS COGNITIVE FUNCTION

improves memory, focus and enhances productivity and creativity

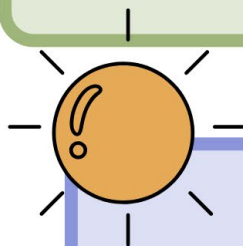
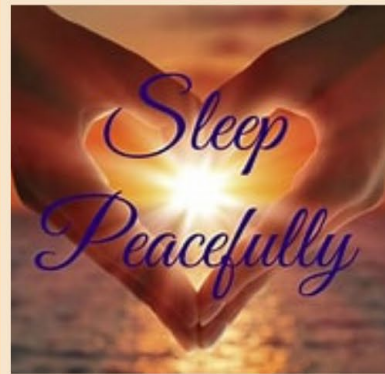


IMPROVES MOOD

Reduces stress and anxiety promoting mental well being

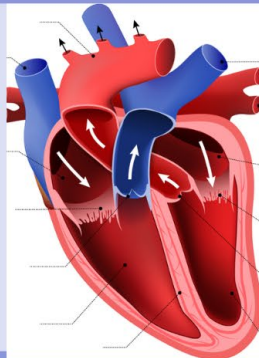


AIDS SLEEP QUALITY



ENHANCES PHYSICAL HEALTH

Strengthens bones and muscles; protects against osteoporosis and fractures



PROMOTES HEART HEALTH

Lowers the risk of heart disease; stroke and diabetes

Attendance Information



Our attendance target for all students is 100% and our **minimum expectation is 95%**. The infographic above shows the impact of days missed and minutes late can have on a child's learning.

For example:

- If a child is **late to school just 5 minutes** each day, throughout the year that equates to **3 days lost to learning (15 hours)**.
- Attendances of **97%** allows for one day of absence per half term and results in **30 hours lost to learning**

Important Reminders:

1. Parents **MUST** contact school to report any absences on **01639 760110 before 8.30 am**.
2. Parents should contact the school **each day** that a pupil is not attending.
3. If the school are not notified, then **you will be contacted** by a member of the Attendance team to find out why your child is not in school.
4. If your child is not notified of the reason for the absence it will be recorded as **unauthorised absence**.
5. If there are three unauthorised absences in a row, the Safeguarding Lead and Education Welfare Officer will be made aware to ensure that your child is safe.
6. You will be required to produce medical evidence if you state that your child is ill for 3 or more consecutive days.
7. We will ask the school Healthcare Professional to contact you if there is an absence of more than 2 weeks.
8. Term time leave will only be granted by the headteacher on request.
9. Where possible, **all appointments should be made outside of the school day**.



Five Acres High School Visit

On Wednesday 30th April, we paid a visit to Five Acres High School in Gloucester. This is a school we have worked closely with in recent months. It is a school we share much in common with, high academic standards and a strong school culture. Whilst we have visited the school many times and met with staff, we have never taken pupils before. During this visit this week, five Year 10 pupils from the Teaching and Learning Leadership Team joined us. Our Year 10 pupils were buddied with pupils from the school and experienced life in a different school environment. They spent break and lunch with the pupils and made good connections with the pupils there. The visit was a great success; both pupils and staff learnt a lot about school life, in another school setting. There was lots of learning take aways for us all and pupils have arranged to meet up again soon with their buddies - starting with the In It Together Festival during half term!



School Uniform Expectations

All students are expected to wear school uniform throughout the school day.
Below are uniform guidelines for both boys and girls, as well as PE Kit:

All pupils Year 7 to 11		
Blazer	Black school blazer	Available from Bergoni. Blazers must be brought to school and worn every day.
Shirt	White shirt with collar.	Can be purchased from any retailer.
Trousers	Plain black tailored uniform style trousers.	Jean style, corduroys, skinny or casual trousers are not permitted.
Skirt *	Plain black school uniform style skirt.	Skirts should be an appropriate length.
Tights	Plain black tights	Tights are to be worn with skirts and can be purchased from any retailer.
Shoes	Black shoes with black laces.	Available from any retailer. Black leather converse shoes are permitted. NO TRAINERS
Tie	School tie.	Available from Bergoni.
Jumper	Black with badge.	Available from Bergoni. Jumpers are optional.
Shorts	Black tailored shorts.	Only for the summer term. Not PE shorts.
Outdoor coat/Jacket	Coats should be waterproof and black in colour.	Available from any retailer.
Socks (only if not wearing tights)	Ankle height, plain black or white.	Available from any retailer.
<p style="text-align: center;">Please note hoodies are <u>not</u> allowed in school. Any pupil who refuses to remove them during the day will have them confiscated.</p>		
Physical Education		
Unisex T Shirt	Available exclusively from Bergoni	
Rugby Jersey	Available exclusively from Bergoni	
Shorts	Available exclusively from Bergoni	
Socks	Available exclusively from Bergoni	
Unisex ¼ zipped top	Optional item. Available exclusively from Bergoni	
Plain black tracksuit bottoms	Optional available at any retail store	
Skort or Legging (recommended to go a size bigger than your normal clothes size as they are smaller sizes.)	Available exclusively from Bergoni	
<p style="text-align: center;">Please note, even on PE days, hoodies are not allowed in school. Pupils are expected to wear a long sleeve PE top when cold.</p>		

For further information regarding our uniform expectations please see our [school website](#):

Sporting News & Success

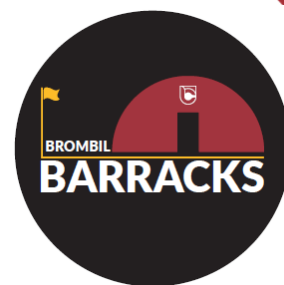
Football

Our Yr11 football team are very pleased to have received their brand new kits for their ANSFA community Schools Cup Final. Huge thanks to our sponsors LBS Total Plumbing Port Talbot Branch and South Wales Water for their contribution. Thanks also to Macron for their service once again!!



Brombil Barracks Announcement

Brombil Barracks is a welcoming support group at Ysgol Cwm Brombil for service children. Welsh Government define service children as:



A 'Service child' has parent(s) or person(s) exercising parental responsibility who is/are Service personnel serving:

- *In HM Regular or Reserve Armed Forces – Royal Navy and Royal Marines; British Army and Royal Air Force,*
- *Or- Is an Armed Forces Veteran who has been in Service within the past two years,*
- *Or - One of their parents died whilst serving in the Armed Forces and the learner has received a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme.*

If your child falls into this category and we are not aware please contact the school to inform us so we can provide appropriate provisions. Please find useful links and tools below to support your service children at home. We would encourage you to share any future deployments with us and if deployed parents require communication from staff regarding pupil progress please contact us and we can accommodate this. Mrs Stanton (B12) and Mrs Sims (B14) are available for pupils drop ins at any time.

SSCE Monthly Bulletin:

[SSCE Cymru :: Monthly school bulletin](#)

SSCE Family Guide:

[SSCE Cymru Service family guide](#)

Little Troopers at home:

[Little Troopers at Home - Little Troopers](#)

Further support for service children with ALN:

Education Advisory Team (EAT)

X accounts:

@SSCECymru

@LittleTroopers

Future Military Opportunities:

[Motivational Preparation College for Training \(MPCT\)](#)

[The Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association \(RFCA\) for Wales](#)

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The Pantry

Our weekly food bank is open every Thursday from 3.15. This is available to anyone within our school community, no referral needed, please just drop in as and when needed.

We all need a little help sometimes. Entrance to the Food Bank – The Pantry is accessed via the pupil entrance in the senior phase school, inside the canteen area.

Refreshments will be provided for everyone waiting, we look forward to seeing you, please remember to bring your bags with you.



Donations

We are always grateful for any donations that you can provide towards our food bank, we always need the below items. There is a drop off trolley in reception:

- Tinned Goods:
 - Meats – hotdogs, minced beef, pies, meatballs, curries etc.
 - Beans
 - Beans and Sausage
 - Spaghetti
 - Tinned Veg
 - Potatoes,
 - carrots,
 - peas,
 - sweetcorn
 - Tuna
 - Tinned fruits
- Cereal
- UHT Milk
- Pasta – including sauces
- Toiletries
 - Shampoo,
 - Shower gel,
 - Conditioner,
 - Toothpaste
 - Toilet rolls

*Please NO sanitary products, we have lots in stock



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Term dates for 2024-25

Autumn Term, half term 1 2024-25	
Tuesday 3 rd September 2024	Year 7 & 11 attend school
Wednesday 4 th September 2024	All pupils attend school
Friday 25 th October 2024	Last Day of half term 1
Half Term holiday - Monday 28 th October 2024 – Friday 1 st November 2024	
Autumn Term, half term 2 2024-25	
Monday 6 th November 2024	Term starts
Friday 29 th November 2024	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Monday 2 nd December 2024	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Friday 20 th December 2024	Last Day of half term 2
Christmas Holiday – Monday 23 rd December 2024 – Friday 3 rd January 2025	
Spring Term, half term 3 2024-25	
Monday 6 th January 2025	Half term 3 Starts for all pupils
Monday 17 th February	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Friday 21 st February 2025	Last Day of half term 3
Half Term holiday - Monday 24 th February 2025 – Friday 28 th February 2025	
Spring Term, half term 4 2024-25	
Monday 3 rd March 2025	Term 4 Starts
Friday 11 th April 2025	Last Day of half term 4 for pupils
Easter holiday - Monday 14 th April 2025 - Friday 25 th April 2025	
Summer Term, half term 5 2024-25	
Monday 28 th April 2025	Term 5 Starts
Monday 5 th May 2025	May Day Bank Holiday
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Last Day of half term 5
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Half Term - Monday 26 th May 2025 - Friday 31 st May 2025	
Summer Term Half term 6 2024-25	
Monday 2 nd June 2025	Half term 6 Starts
Friday 18 th July 2025	Last Day of half term 6 & End of school Year

