

News for the week ending 7 July 2023

KEY DATES

10 July Inset Day

11 July Year 10 Geography fieldwork12 July Year 12 Geography fieldwork

14-16 July Year 9 Glanllyn visit

Newyddion yr wythnos

Dear Parent/Carer

Here is our latest newsletter.

We would like to remind you that Monday 10 July is an INSET day and the School will be closed to pupils.

We wish all families an enjoyable weekend.

Cowbridge School Senior Leadership Team



Invitation to Cowbridge higher education students to apply for local funding for 2023-2024 academic year

Cowbridge students leaving school and continuing into higher education during the 2023 - 2024 academic year are invited to apply for a grant from one of four local charities.

The Sir Thomas Mansel Franklen Trust

The objects of the charity are to provide Cowbridge Comprehensive School special benefits of any kind not normally provided by the local education authority and promoting the education, including social and physical training, of persons who are or were pupils at Cowbridge Comprehensive School and who are in need of financial assistance. The charity is open to all pupils in line with its charitable objects.

Any current or former pupil seeking financial support should complete the application form which can be downloaded from the school website:

https://www.cowbridgecomprehensiveschool.co.uk/parents/tmf

Please email your completed form and supporting documents to: enquiries@cowbridgecs.co.uk marked FAO The Chair of the TMF Trust. The committee meets regularly and will consider applications made at any time. Please read the criteria for the award of grant aid carefully.

The following 3 charity organisations may also be able to assist with financial support.

Applications are straightforward and not subject to any means testing and are common for all three charities. Applications are also welcomed from local youth groups and organisations providing the majority of members reside within the qualifying areas. To register your application, please email either cowbridgeiet@gmail.com or evan.jenkins.charity@outlook.com

1. Cowbridge with Llanblethian United Charities - applications over age of 25

Trustees will consider applications for the relief in need, hardship or distress, either generally or individually, of persons resident in the area of benefit (the Town Council area of Cowbridge with Llanblethian). Students are also required to provide evidence of acceptance on their chosen course.

2. Cowbridge Institute Educational Trust- applications under age of 25

Promoting the education (including social and physical training) of Persons under the age of 25 years, The qualifying area of residency is the Town Council area of Cowbridge with Llanblethian.

3. Evan Jenkins Charity- applications under age of 25

The principle objective of the Charity is the maintenance and repair of the tenor bell in Llanblethian Church. However, the trustees have power to make surplus monies available for persons who are under the age of 25 years. This Charity is for residents of the old parishes of **Llanblethian** and **Ystradowen**, which includes the villages of **Trerhyngyll** and **Aberthin** and residents of these ancient parishes can apply for financial assistance for preparing for, entering upon, or engaging in any profession, trade, occupation or service.

Music Extra-Curricular Activities 2022-2023

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Monday	Ukulele Group 8:20 - 8:50	Senior Jazz Group 8:20 - 8:50	Flute Group 8:20 - 8:50	Sixth form Acapella Group
Tuesday	Concert Band 8:20 - 8:50	Junior Jazz Group 8:20 - 8:50		School Musical A1C / Main Hall
Wednesday	KS3 Vocal Group (Year 7, 8, 9) 8:20 - 8:50	String Group 8:20 - 8:50		Big Band A1C
Thursday	Senior Orchestra 8:20 - 8:50	Junior Orchestra 8:20 - 8:50		School Musical A1C / Main Hall
Friday	KS4/KS5 Vocal Group 8:20 - 8:50	Drum Group 8:20 - 8:50		

PE Extra-Curricular Summer Clubs (3-4pm)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cricket (Y9&10) Tennis (Boys)	Cricket (Y7&8) 6 th Form Gym Club	Athletics (All)	Girls Football Tennis (Girls)	



Mobile Phone protocol

Please see below the School's mobile phone protocol.

All pupils are aware of these requirements.

We would be very grateful if you could reinforce this message at home.

Thank you

Phone use	Phone use
Classroom and study spaces (Teacher permission)	Toilet area
Break Out areas	Corridors
Canteen, piazza and other outdoor areas	Mobile phone conversations
Headphones/Earpods (Teacher permission in classroom	Taking photos, videos or recording audio
	Headphones/Earpods (when moving or outside the classroom)



TyHapus Counselling Service

Please find attached information about the free counselling service TyHapus offer.

Careers Wales

Please see the link below which will enable you to access updated information and resources from Careers Wales. The information and resources are designed to help parents and carers support young people in making decisions relating to careers and the world of work.

https://careerswales.gov.wales/parents

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2022-25

Welsh Government has confirmed that the current academic year will be further reduced by one day to reflect the extra bank holiday for the King's Coronation on Monday 8 May 2023. Please see below and next pages the term dates 2022-2025.

This information can also be viewed on the Councils website here

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2022/2023

Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School
		Begin	End		Days
Autumn 2022	Mon 5 Sept 2022	Monday 31 Oct 2022	Friday 4 Nov 2022	Friday 23 Dec 2022	74
Spring 2023	Monday 9 Jan 2023	Monday 20 Feb 2023	Friday 24 Feb 2023	Friday 31 Mar 2023	55
Summer 2023	Monday 17 April 2023	Monday 29 May 2023	Friday 2 Jun 2023	*Monday 24 July 2023	64
				TOTAL	193

Mon 5 Sept 2022 and *Monday 24 July 2023 will be designated INSET days for all LEA Maintained Schools. The remaining four INSET days to be taken will be at the discretion of each individual school following appropriate consultation with staff. *It is intended that this INSET Day will either be taken on Mon 24 July 2023 or at an alternative time for example in the form of twilight sessions.

All schools will be closed on **Monday 1 May 2023** for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates: Christmas Sunday 25 December 2022

Easter Good Friday 7 April 2023

Easter Monday 10 April 2023

May Bank Holidays Monday 1 May 2023

Monday 29 May 2023

Extra one-off bank holidays

Queen's Funeral Monday 19 September 2022

King's Coronation Monday 8 May 2023

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2023/2024

Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School
		Begin	End		Days
Autumn 2023	Mon 4 Sept 2023	Monday 30 Oct 2023	Friday 3 Nov 2023	Friday 22 Dec 2023	75
Spring 2024	Monday 8 Jan 2024	Monday 12 Feb 2024	Friday 16 Feb 2024	Friday 22 Mar 2024	50
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April 2024	Monday 27 May 2024	Friday 31 May 2024	*Monday 22 July 2024	70
				TOTAL	195

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All schools will be closed on Monday 6 May 2024 for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates: Christmas Monday 25 December 2023

Easter Good Friday 29 March 2024

Easter Monday 1 April 2024

May Bank Holidays Monday 6 May 2024

Monday 27 May 2024

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2024/2025

Term	Begin	Half term		End	No. of School
		Begin	End		Days
Autumn 2024	Mon 2 Sept 2024	Monday 38 Oct 2024	Friday 1 Nov 2024	Friday 20 Dec 2024	75
Spring 2025	Monday 6 Jan 2025	Monday 24 Feb 2025	Friday 28 Feb 2025	Friday 11 Apr 2025	65
Summer 2025	Monday 28 April 2025	Monday 26 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025	*Monday 21 July 2025	55
				TOTAL	195

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All schools will be closed on Monday 5 May 2025 for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Significant dates: Christmas Wednesday 25 December 2024

Easter Good Friday 18 April 2025

Easter Monday 21 April 2025

May Bank Holidays Monday 5 May 2025

Monday 26 May 2025