



The School at the Heart of Wales

Dear Parent/Guardian

I would like to take this opportunity to share some important information about Welsh Bacallaureate which is compulsory for all GCSE pupils at Ysgol Calon Cymru. This qualification is focused on skills development and is based around seven essential skills, which have been identified by employers and universities. The seven essential skills are:

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Digital Literacy
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Planning and organisation
- Creativity and innovation
- Personal effectiveness

This qualification requires the completion of four internally assessed units each with their own important levels of controlled assessment conditions. The four units are:

1. Global Citizenship Challenge (15%)
2. Community Challenge (15%)
3. Enterprise and Employability Challenge (20%)
4. Individual Project (50%)

Pupils have spent the first half term following a teaching and learning programme for the Enterprise and Employability Challenge. The pupils have explored the importance of team work skills and how to formally take minutes of meetings. Pupils have been considering the process of designing a new product and have used a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threat) analysis tool. They have also explored the 5P's of business (Product, Place, Price, Promotion and People) and how these apply to marketing and costings of a new product.

Pupils will then use their Skills lessons to work as part of a team (between 3 and 6 pupils) to design a product/service. As part of this pupils will need to explore different product/service ideas and use an analysis tool (such as SWOT) to decide on the best product. It is important that all pupils demonstrate their ability to be creative and consider ways of developing a particular product.

This challenge involves team work to decide upon a final product to develop, the pupils will be selling their final product at the school Christmas Fair on Monday 2nd December at 4-5.30. I would like to invite you and your family to support your child at their Christmas Fair. If you are unable to attend, please be aware that you will need to provide alternative transport for your child on this evening.

Pupils will complete the challenge assessment on Tuesday 10th December 2019. During this the pupils will produce a visual display that promotes their product, they will be discussing how they have considered ways of developing their product idea into a business and pitch (very much like 'Dragons' Den) their product as a team to a small panel of adults (which includes their Skills lesson teacher). It is essential that all pupils are present for these dates.

If you have any questions regarding the Skills Challenge please do not hesitate to contact me.

In order to support the pupils with the final preparations of their product, the skills teachers will be in school between 2-5pm on Sunday 1st December. This will allow all pupils, if necessary to make their final products. Please complete and return the permission slip to your skills teacher by Tuesday 19th November.

Yours Sincerely
Mrs A Lloyd
Skills Challenge Co-ordinator

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Annwyl Riant / Gwarcheidwad

Hoffwn achub ar y cyfle hwn i rannu rhywfaint o wybodaeth bwysig am Fagloriaeth Cymru sy'n orfodol i bob disgybl TGAU yn Ysgol Calon Cymru. Mae'r cymhwyster hwn yn canolbwyntio ar ddatblygu sgiliau ac mae'n seiliedig ar saith sgil hanfodol, a nodwyd gan gyflogwyr a phrifysgolion. Y saith sgil hanfodol yw:

- Llenyddiaeth
- Rhifedd
- Llythrennedd Digidol
- Meddwl yn feirniadol a datrys problemau
- Cynllunio a threfnu
- Creadigrwydd ac arloesedd
- Effeithiolrwydd personol

Mae'r cymhwyster hwn yn gofyn am gwblhau pedair uned a asesir yn fewnol, pob un â'i lefelau pwysig ei hun o amodau asesu dan reolaeth. Y pedair uned yw:

1. Her Dinasyddiaeth Fyd-eang (15%)
2. Her Gymunedol (15%)
3. Her Menter a Chyflogadwyedd (20%)
4. Prosiect Unigol (50%)

Mae disgyblion wedi treulio'r hanner tymor cyntaf yn dilyn rhaglen addysgu a dysgu ar gyfer yr Her Menter a Chyflogadwyedd. Mae'r disgyblion wedi archwilio pwysigrwydd sgiliau gwaith tîm a sut i gymryd cofnodion cyfarfodydd yn ffurfiol. Mae disgyblion wedi bod yn ystyried y broses o ddylunio cynnyrch newydd ac wedi defnyddio teclyn dadansoddi SWOT (Cryfderau, Gwendidau, Cyfleoedd a Bygythiad). Maent hefyd wedi archwilio 5P busnes (Cynnyrch, Lle, Pris, Hyrwyddo a Phobl) a sut mae'r rhain yn berthnasol i farchnata a hostio cynnyrch newydd.

Yna bydd disgyblion yn defnyddio eu gwersi Sgiliau i weithio fel rhan o dîm (rhwng 3 a 6 disgybl) i ddylunio cynnyrch / gwasanaeth. Fel rhan o hyn bydd angen i ddisgyblion archwilio gwahanol syniadau am gynnyrch / gwasanaeth a defnyddio teclyn dadansoddi (fel SWOT) i benderfynu ar y cynnyrch gorau. Mae'n bwysig bod pob disgybl yn dangos ei allu i fod yn greadigol ac ystyried ffyrdd o ddatblygu cynnyrch penodol.

Mae'r her hon yn cynnwys gwaith tîm i benderfynu ar gynnyrch terfynol i'w ddatblygu, bydd y disgyblion yn gwerthu eu cynnyrch terfynol yn Ffair Nadolig yr ysgol ddydd Llun 2 Rhagfyr am 4-5.30. Hoffwn eich gwahodd chi a'ch teulu i gefnogi'ch plentyn yn eu Ffair Nadolig. Os na allwch ddod, cofiwch y bydd angen i chi ddarparu cludiant amgen i'ch plentyn heno.

Bydd y disgyblion yn cwblhau'r asesiad her ddydd Mawrth 10fed Rhagfyr 2019. Yn ystod hyn bydd y disgyblion yn cynhyrchu arddangosfa weledol sy'n hyrwyddo eu cynnyrch, byddant yn trafod sut y maent wedi ystyried ffyrdd o ddatblygu eu syniad am gynnyrch yn fusnes a thraw (yn debyg iawn i ' Dragons 'Den) eu cynnyrch fel tîm i banel bach o oedolion (sy'n cynnwys eu hathro gwers Sgiliau). Mae'n hanfodol bod pob disgybl yn bresennol ar gyfer y dyddiadau hyn.

Os oes gennych unrhyw gwestiynau ynglŷn â'r Her Sgiliau, mae croeso i chi gysylltu â mi.

Er mwyn cefnogi'r disgyblion gyda pharatoadau terfynol eu cynnyrch, bydd yr athrawon sgiliau yn yr ysgol rhwng 2-5pm ddydd Sul 1 Rhagfyr. Bydd hyn yn caniatáu i bob disgybl wneud ei gynhyrchion terfynol, os oes angen. Llenwch a dychwelwch y slip caniatâd i'ch athro sgiliau erbyn dydd Mawrth 19eg Tachwedd.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir
Mrs A Lloyd
Cydlunydd Her Sgiliau

My child will / will not be attending on Sunday 1st December to make their final product.
Bydd / ni fydd fy mhleintyn yn mynychu ddydd Sul 1af Rhagfyr i wneud eu cynnyrch terfynol.

My child will / will not be able to attend the Christmas Fair on Monday 2nd December.
Bydd / ni fydd fy mhleintyn yn gallu mynychu'r Ffair Nadolig ddydd Llun 2 Rhagfyr.

Name of child/ Enw Plentyn:.....

Form / Dosbarth:.....

Parent / Guardian Rhiant / Gofalwr Signature / Llofnod:.....

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