

A View FROM THE TOP



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The Principal's Update

Sport has been at the forefront of life at Howell's this week. On Tuesday, the entire Senior School and College travelled to the Leckwith Athletics Stadium for an action packed Sports Day. Students channelled their inner Jess Ennis-Hills and Colin Jackson during the day which included a wide variety of athletics events. Much laughter could be heard coming from the AstroTurf pitches as College students had great fun competing in rounders and dodgeball competitions. The stadium gave the event a real sense of occasion. I am enormously grateful to Mrs Mills, the Sport Department and everyone involved in this truly memorable day. Many congratulations to every student who took part and in particular Baldwin, the winning House on the day. Look out for further information in my update next week.



Hot on the heels of Sports Day, Mrs Mills led a jubilant assembly yesterday during which we celebrated the spectacular sporting achievements of our Senior School students. It was a pleasure to welcome Geoff Roderick, who handed out the awards along with Mr and Mrs Pugh who collected the Carol Jones Award for Courage and Commitment on behalf of their daughter Martha. Very well done to all the winners. [Click here](#) for our latest Sport news.

Last Friday evening, the Class of 2017, along with staff, celebrated the end of their time at Howell's at their prom at the Jury's Inn, Cardiff. It was a very special evening and I will be very sad to see this fantastic group of young people go but look forward to welcoming them back as Hywelians.

On Tuesday, we welcomed our friends from Watkins and Gunn Solicitors to launch this year's Mooting at Howell's event. Students were given a brief for the mock trial which will take place next week and I am sure it will be a hugely beneficial and interesting experience for them.

Today we celebrated Founders' Day with a special assembly for the whole School, College and invited guests. During assembly we celebrated the ways we have, over the last school year, built on the foundations laid by Thomas Howell more than 500 years ago, when he left provision in his will for the benefit of orphan maidens. Following assembly everyone enjoyed a lovely selection of treats during the Thomas Howell Break. In a special own clothes day, staff and students wore Howell's colours, navy and gold, to raise money for the Bursary Fund. During assembly Mrs Chyba and representatives from Marie Curie announced that we had reached our target of raising £6,660 for the Pay for a Day appeal, an extraordinary achievement. We are actually supporting care in the hospice today! Look out for more information in my update next week.

[Izzy rows to victory](#)

After tough trials Year 13's Izzy P has been selected for the third year running in her final year as a junior to represent Wales at the forthcoming Home International Rowing Regatta on Saturday 22nd July in Strathclyde, Scotland. [Click here](#) for more information.

Howell's Students Attend Llandaff Regatta

There was more rowing excitement last weekend for Howell's students who had a wonderful time at The Llandaff Regatta during which they met rowing legends Matthew Pinsent and Helen Glover. [Click here](#) for more information.

Ellie triumphs at Bridgend County Show

Congratulations to Year 10's Ellie M and her pony Harley won the 90cm class at the recent Bridgend County Show. [Click here](#) for more information.

GDST Oxbridge Conference 2017

Last weekend, 8-9th July, saw the hosting of this year's GDST Oxbridge Conference at Clare College, Cambridge. [Click here](#) for more information.

Celebration Tea

There has been much to celebrate in the Senior School and College this week. Mr Walters and Mrs M Davis thoroughly enjoyed hearing about our students' achievements at Celebration Teas. [Click here](#) to find out about Monday's tea and [click here](#) for more information about Wednesday's.

Parent Blog

The latest instalment of our Parent Blog is available to read by [clicking here](#).

Diary Dates

Last chance to buy tickets for the Summer Concert – Wednesday 19th July 2017

There is still time to book tickets (£7 for adults, free for children) for the *Once Upon a Time* themed Summer Concert which takes place in the Sports Hall on Wednesday 19th July. You can buy them from the main office in the Senior School and ask for a member of the Marketing team or students can buy them directly from the Marketing Office. The concert has nearly sold out so do buy them soon to avoid disappointment.

John Lewis Uniform Fitting Evening

On Wednesday 16th August from 3-8pm, John Lewis will be holding an exclusive uniform fitting event for Howell's at their store in Cardiff. To book please call 02920 536 088 and ask for the Schoolwear Department to make a uniform fitting appointment. [Click here](#) for more information.

The Great Hall Crystal Ball

On Friday 8th December 2017, Howell's School will be holding The Great Hall Crystal Ball, organised by the Parent Pyramid, in the magnificent surroundings of the newly restored Great Hall. Tickets will be available from 6th September.

Have a wonderful weekend and I hope the Howell's Class of 1986 have a wonderful time at their reunion tomorrow evening.

Sally Davis, Principal