

A View FROM THE TOP



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The Principal's Update

We have reached the end another outstanding school year. It ended in true Howell's style with a magnificent Summer Concert last night, entitled *Once Upon Time*. The concert was a real triumph. Hosted in style by Dr Morris, it included exceptional performances from the Youth Choir, Junior School Competition Choir, Repertoire Orchestra, ensembles and soloists. This year's staff number, an unforgettable rendition of *The Ugly Duckling*, raised the roof off the Sports Hall. The evening was tinged with sadness as we said goodbye to Miss Cooksey who is leaving us to take up a full time role teaching music in Monmouth Comprehensive School in September. She will be greatly missed and I would like to thank her for everything she has done for Howell's.



Leaving us this term are Mrs Moyle, who started in 1990 and Mrs H Smith, who started in 2003, who are both retiring. As well as their roles as their roles as Head of Senior School and Head of College respectively, both have been stalwarts of the Maths Department and will be greatly missed by us all. I would like to thank them both for their exceptional work, commitment, humour and everything they have done for Howell's. I wish them every happiness in their retirement. I will also be sad to say goodbye to our terrific Senior School Administrator Miss F Moyle who has been with us for two years. She is going to undertake teacher training. I am sure she will make an excellent teacher and I know she has a bright future ahead.

Today students and staff have channelled their inner Disney characters today to raise funds for Martha's place and it was wonderful to see the array of costumes at our fabulous final assembly this morning.

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Darnton has been appointed Assistant Principal and Mr C Smith will join the College Leadership Team. I am also very pleased that Mrs Thelwell will be staying with us for another year.

New addition to the Howell's Family

From September we will be welcoming a school dog, a beautiful golden retriever puppy, to the Howell's family who will be looked after by my PA, Mrs Toogood. During final assembly this morning I launched a competition to name the puppy and the winner of the competition was Year 6's Sophie W. The puppy is called Disney.

We Will Remember Them

Thirty-eight Year 10 History students have just enjoyed a four day tour to the First World War Battlefields in France and Belgium. [Click here](#) for more information.

Year 8 Enjoy Science Fun

On Friday 7th July, Year 8 went to At-Bristol, it was great fun with so many activities to explore and enjoy. [Click here](#) for more information.

Over 300 Local Primary School Children Delight in Summer Concert

It was a pleasure to welcome over 300 Primary School children from Radnor and Lansdowne Primary Schools to Howell's on Tuesday 18th July. [Click here](#) for more information.

Back to School for the Class of 1986

On Saturday 15th July, 40 Hywelians who left Howell's in 1986 gathered in the Stone Hall for a reunion with their former peers. [Click here](#) for more information.

Holiday Reading Tips

If the cry of "I'm bored!" reaches your ears over the summer holidays, the English Department have two words for you—get reading! [Click here](#) for Top Tips for Teenage Reading.

Celebrating Outstanding Writing

The English Department are always keen to highlight examples of excellent creative writing. In the exams earlier this term, Tara AR and Ellie M both produced some outstanding work. [Click here](#) to read their work.

Keeping Score

The latest edition of our Sport newsletter, Keeping Score, is available to read by [clicking here](#).

Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Well done to the Year 9 students for successfully completing your Bronze DofE Expedition. [Click here](#) for more information.

Design Competition

The Big Bang @ Dayinsure Wales Rally GB Competition is open to KS2-5 with the aim to design livery for a Toyota Rally car. The closing date is Friday 29th September. [Click here](#) for more information.

Hywelian News

Congratulations to former Howell's Head Girl Danielle Treharne, from the Class of 2003, who has been named one of Management Today's 35 under 35 women in management. [Click here](#) for more information.

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

Diary Dates

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 September.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming back students and staff on Wednesday 6th September 2017.

Sally Davis, Principal