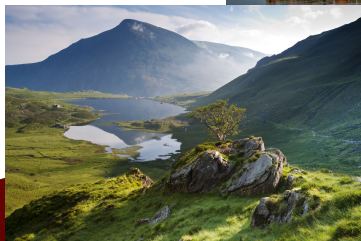
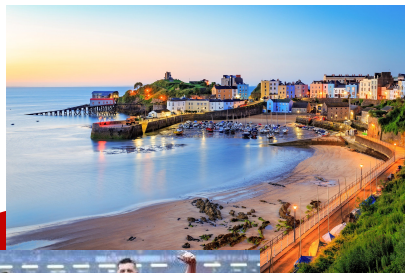


Cymru/Wales

Erasmus+ Stepping up to the SDGs 2019-2021



Ysgol Dyffryn Taf - Whitland



- Whitland/Hendy-Gwyn is a small town town located in Carmarthenshire, South West Wales
- There is a primary school and secondary school (Dyffryn Taf)
- Dyffryn Taf educates students from age 11-18 through School Years 7-13
- Years 12 and 13 are students who have chosen to further their education in the school's Sixth form
- Dyffryn Taf is a bilingual school which teaches children through the medium of Welsh or English
- The French language is also taught as compulsory to children age 11-14 and can be taken as a chosen subject at GCSE
- The school also teaches Mandarin for pupils aged 14+
- The school offer many sporting opportunities with their rugby, football, netball, hockey and cricket teams
- The school rugby team have recently returned from a successful tour in Canada and the mixed boys and girls hockey team are scheduled to tour in Barcelona in May 2020
- A school production is held each Christmas in which music and drama students star
- The school is split into three house teams (Beca, Dylan and Hywel) in which they compete over the course of the year to win the inter house title



Our School Day

	Time
Registration	8.45am – 8.50am
Assembly	8.50am – 9.10am
Lesson 1	9.10am – 10.10am
Break	10.10am – 10.25am
Lesson 2	10.25am – 11.25am
Lesson 3	11.25am – 12.25pm
Lunch	12.25pm – 1.25pm
Lesson 4	1.25pm – 2.25pm
Lesson 5	2.25pm – 3.25pm

Map of Wales.



Whitland

Capital city -
Cardiff/Caerdydd

How does Dyffryn Taf
contribute to the SDGs?



Fairtrade

Fairtrade ensures that producers get a fair price for their goods. The money raised from purchasing fair trade products is then reinvested into communities to help improve the quality of life of low income countries. What we do:

- Our school holds a teacher bake off each year and all funds go to fair trade
- We work with the local community and primary schools to raise awareness
- Use fair trade products in our canteen
- We have a display board and posters around the school to spread awareness and encourage people to also use fair trade products in their everyday lives



Eco committee

We are proud to be an Eco School. Our Eco committee is a group of students at our school along with one of our science teachers. They get together often to do things such as:

- Garden/grow plants for our school
- Take care of our green house
- Organise what to do on our green days
- Raise awareness about issues and organise different activities around these
- Campaign to reduce energy use in the school such as low energy days

The eco committee is a big part of our school and drives what we do to help the environment



Green day - Low energy day



In the summer of this year the school held two green days. During these green days, students were expected to:

- Help declutter classrooms from their plastic
- Assort waste into the correct bins
- Create notice boards raising awareness about plastic pollution
- Clean and tidy the school premises

The school also spent days running on low energy. This meant not using electronic devices and switching lights off that were not being used

This was an effort to raise awareness of the amount of CO2 emissions the world is currently producing and how it is resulting in our planet suffering.

Plastic free canteen

The Blue Planet effect: the plastics revolution is just the start



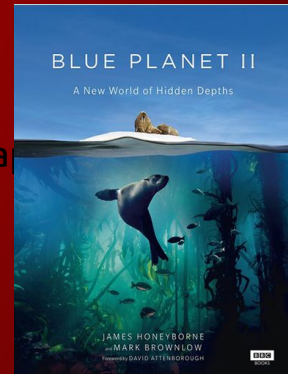
- The school canteen has recently become plastic free thanks to the Headteacher's efforts
- Plastic cups for the water dispenser have recently been banned. Pupils are now expected to bring their own water bottles in to refill
- Reusable plates and cutlery have been introduced and cardboard has been replaced for unnecessary plastic items

This is an applaudable achievement and will contribute to the need for plastic reduction.

David Attenborough's recent documentary 'Blue Planet II' first aired in 2017. The documentary demonstrated how our careless actions had an unfavourable impact on our oceans and the species living in it. The documentary was a great success and spread nationwide awareness dubbed 'The Blue Planet Effect'. The nation have participated in several beach cleans as a result, have scrapped plastic bags and straws and swapped for paper products and many towns in Wales have become plastic free.

Here's a snippet of the inspiring documentary 'Blue Planet II'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLx4fVsYdTI>



Welsh Bacc Charity day

- Early on in the year, our year group held a charity day as part of our Welsh Baccalaureate qualification
- Each class was given a charity they had to raise money for
- Each group chose a different activity they wanted to fundraise for and the day was held in the school hall
- A variety of activities were on offer such as, throwing water balloons at teachers, football games, glitter makeup, cake stalls, photo booths and sweet shops
- The day was a success and raised hundreds of pounds for charity as well as raising awareness about the remarkable work particular charities carry out!
- We also got involved with beach cleans
- Litter picking in and around our school
- We also help our community by helping to paint things such gates and relay paths





**#WHAT
CAN WE
DO NOW?**

Our ideas/goals

We need and want to raise awareness on the Erasmus+ project and the SDGs back in Wales. Therefore we will:

- Introduce our ideas to our School Council so that whole school can take action
- Continue to work towards the goals by continuing to cut down on plastic use to save our oceans which we have already made a start on in the canteen
- Become more eco friendly by cutting down on the use of paper and energy
- Address local poverty issues and raise awareness of fair work practices

To achieve these goals we will:

- Turn off lights and computers when not in use
- Encourage people to bring reusable water bottles to school
- Make sure pupils do not litter
- Contribute to food bank donations and continue to raise money for local charities to help alleviate local poverty
- Produce teaching packs in modern day slavery issues in Wales





Diolch am wrando/Thanks for listening

