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THE MAELOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER CYLCHLYTHYR YSGOL MAELOR



Emotional Goodbyes and New Beginnings



This is a shortened newsletter for what has been an unusually brief half term, which has been predominated by our Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 pupils showing the utmost grit, resilience and maturity during their examinations. Last week, we celebrated our Year 13 students 'leaving' and today marks the final day for our Year 11 pupils, who return for exams only after half term. We could not be prouder of our young people and we wish them every success as they move forwards into the next stages of their journeys.



Pupils of the Term

Year 7: Thomas Madison Year 8: Anhelina Horelova Year 9: Lily Bateson Year 10: Freya Povey Year 11: Everyone!

We are Becoming Mobile Phone Free



Our new approach to mobile phones in school will be phased in gradually after half term - more details will be communicated once we return.



90% ATTENDANCE - SO YOU THINK THAT'S GOOD?

Average Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school life
90%	0.5 Days missed a week
EQUIVALENT TO 2 DAYS A MONTH	1 Day missed every 2 weeks
	4 weeks every year
	Half a year over 5 school years

Many people believe that 90% attendance is very good. However, over a whole school year, a pupil with 90% attendance would **miss** four weeks of lessons.

A pupil with 90% attendance would also spend more time away from school over the year than in school.

If a pupil's attendance for their whole time at Secondary school was 90% they would have missed 97.5 days of school, that's half a school year.

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Good attendance at school is the single most important factor to ensure that young people have the maximum life chances - attendance is strongly linked to educational achievement.

Best Form Attendance: 8PS (96%)

> Best Year Group Attendance: Year 10 (94%)

Most Punctual Form: 7GT and 8PS



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Forthcoming Dates for your Calendar

Friday 23rd May: School closes for pupils Monday 2nd June: School opens for pupils Wednesday 18th June: Futures Evening 6pm Tuesday 24th June: Year 6 Transition Evening

Wednesday 25th to Thursday 27th June: Y6 Transition Days

Thursday 26th June: Sixth Form Gala Ball

Wednesday 25th June: Summer exam season finishes

Monday 30th June: Sports Day Tuesday 1st July: Year 11 Prom

Wednesday 2nd July: Reserve Sports Day

Thursday 3rd July: Y7 Parents' Evening (online)

Friday 4th July: Maelor for All Day

Monday 7th July: Full Governing Body Meeting

Wednesday 9th July: PG Day

Thursday 17th July: School closes for summer

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September: INSET Days Wednesday 3rd September: Pupils return to school \$schoolcloud

Parents' Evening Dates

These evenings are online (3.45pm - 6.15pm.) Details for how to book will be sent out in advance of each event.

Year 7: Thursday 3rd July 2025