



➤ Prospectus



↘ Introduction by the Head Teacher



Dear Students,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to return to Ysgol Llanhari in September to continue your studies into the 6th Form. The 6th form is a stepping stone to adult life and at Llanhari we can offer you the security of an environment where you are already known and respected, where structures are firmly in place to support and guide you but with the additional exciting new opportunities that come with being a 6th Form student! You are about to embark on a pathway of learning which will, hopefully, open doors to a happy, fulfilling and prosperous life.

We are very proud of our sixth form at Ysgol Llanhari and the excellent achievements of our students. You will be able to choose from a variety of subjects at AS Level, A Level or BTEC and you will study the Welsh Baccalaureate qualification. Some subjects are offered in collaboration with other Welsh Medium Schools and could be on a different site. This ensures a broad choice for every student through the medium of Welsh with proven good results. Look through the course booklet, make your choices wisely and ask for advice along the way.

All your subjects will be taught through the medium of Welsh by motivated and experienced teachers who know you and the way you learn very well by now! Group sizes and well developed pupil/ teacher relationships will allow for effective collaborative work with other students but also plenty of individual attention in order to ensure everyone reaches their potential. All in all, this will ensure that you develop your bilingualism to the standards needed for the workforce and higher education, and will provide you with great opportunities to grow, develop as individuals and succeed personally as well as academically.

Being a sixth form student is seen as a privilege, and as a sixth former, you will form a more mature relationship with your teachers and be given excellent opportunities to flourish and demonstrate leadership qualities. We hope you will take advantage of every opportunity to develop contact with younger pupils, engaging them in conversation and offering them encouragement and support through the medium of Welsh; you are their role models. Remember that future employers will expect you to have the necessary qualifications, however they will also require you to have the skills and aptitude to succeed in the twenty first century.

I look forward to welcoming you back to Ysgol Llanhari in September to our Sixth Form where you will be able to progress successfully to that next step of your chosen career, be that college, university or the world of work.

Yours sincerely,

Rhian Phillips
Headteacher.

↘ Introduction by the Head Prefects

Dear Year 11 pupils

Llanhari's Sixth Form is small, therefore it offers a variety of extra opportunities. Here, the staff know you better than any staff in another school or sixth form college who will have to get to know you. This relationship with Ysgol Llanhari's teachers will be useful when you need to consider who will write your reference for university or further education college and who can inspire you to give your utmost effort when studying for your A Levels.

You have got to know the teachers over a period of time during your school life and they have got to know you too. This can also help with your learning. In smaller classes, you will feel more comfortable when asking questions about the work which you find more difficult.

Llanhari's Sixth Form can help strengthen your personal statement for UCAS or your CV as there are numerous opportunities to lead on various things and to hold responsible positions, which may not be as accessible in a larger sixth form. In a larger school, you would probably have to share opportunities such as representing the other pupils on the School Council or taking a leading role in the Eisteddfod. The Family of Llanhari is a positive community which will encourage you to promote each other and will push you to achieve your full potential.

Good luck!

Beca H and Beca E

↘ Entry Requirements

The school is willing to consider any pupil's request for post 16 education, providing he/she has the relevant prior qualifications and a positive attitude towards his/her studies and school.

The school will advise individual students regarding suitable programmes of study based on the following principles:

Possible combinations in Yr 12

- 2 AS Levels + Skills certificate L3.
- 3 AS Levels + Skills certificate L3 (individual advice).
- 4 AS Levels + Option to follow Skills certificate L3.

Possible combinations Yr 13

For entrance to Yr 13, pupils are expected to have passed AS [A*-E] (unless there are exceptional personal circumstances) and continue with at least 2 AS subjects at A2.

↘ High Expectations

We expect the highest standards from our students. They are expected to register promptly, to attend all classes and complete all work on time. They must maintain the highest standards of school uniform and be a positive example to younger pupils by abiding with school rules at all times. Our sixth formers at Llanhari are a positive example for younger pupils to follow. We believe that the conduct of the Sixth Form students has a considerable effect on the whole school ethos. They are role models to younger pupils and we consider that promoting the Welsh language by setting an example for others to follow is essential.

↘ Pastoral Care

The Attainment Standards Leader and the tutors are mainly responsible for the welfare of each individual in the Sixth Form. Students are divided into mixed tutorial groups regardless of subject or course choices. Every pupil is required to attend the registration period at the beginning of the day. Registration periods are considered to be important in particular when developing individuals' skills.

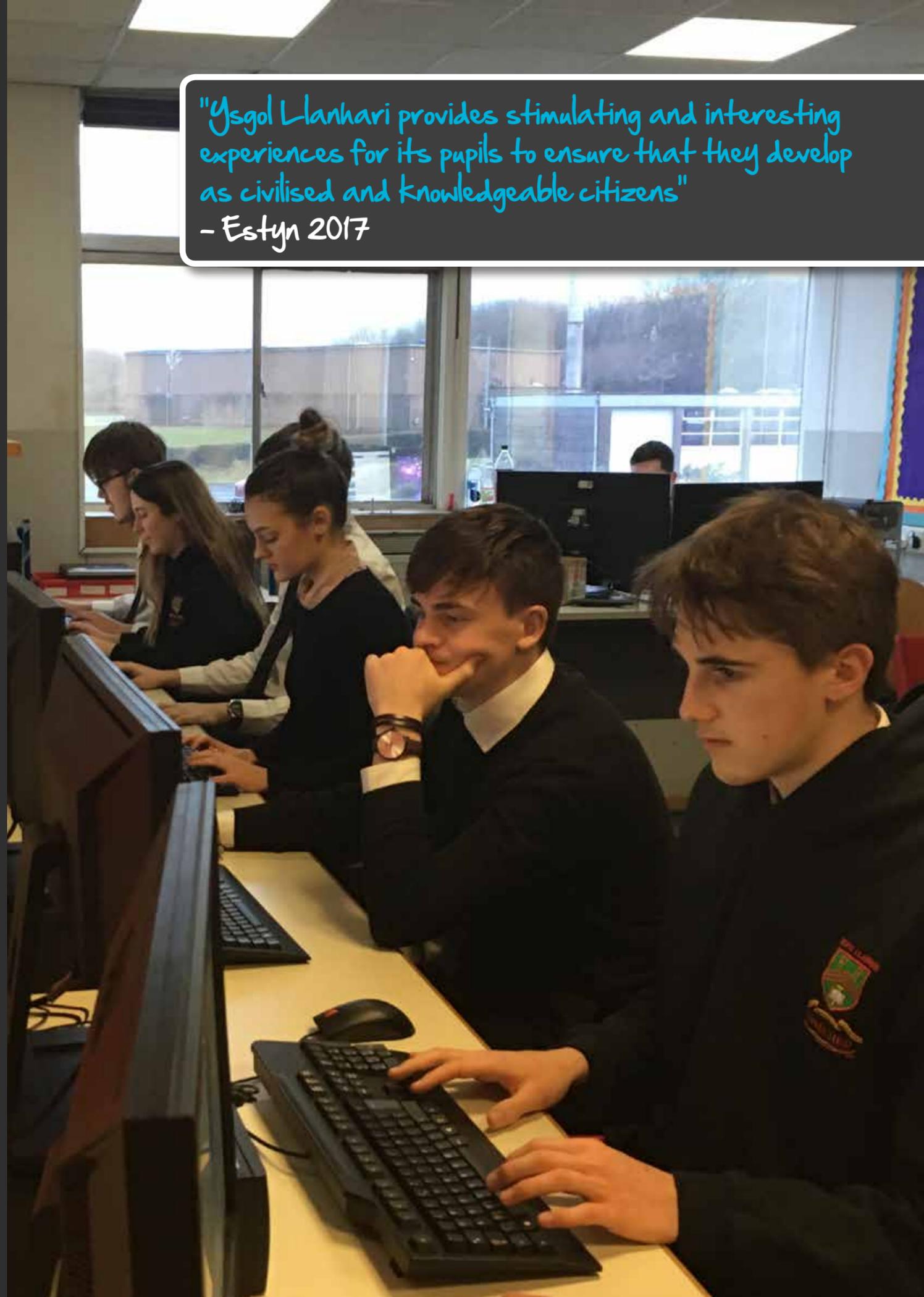
↘ Independent Study

The most striking difference between a Year 12 and a Year 11 timetable, apart from fewer subjects, is the fact that for the first time a Year 12 student will have non-contact time when he/she is not committed to a lesson and is not expected to present him/herself to a teacher. This time is an opportunity not to be missed, an advantage not to be squandered. Students are encouraged to develop their time management skills and to use these free periods for independent study. The ability to study independently is a necessity for success on an Advanced Level course and is a vital skill in preparation for work and higher education.

Sixth Form lessons are merely starting points. Students will not fulfil their potential by depending solely on work completed during lesson time only. Students are given explanation and direction and are then expected to work further on their own in order to consolidate what they have already gained or to find new, supplementary information. The non-contact lessons are not all rest periods!

Time management is therefore very important for members of Llanhari's Sixth Form. Students are given permission to leave school premises to go to the village during non-contact lessons but not during break and lunchtimes. Pupils must sign in and out at the main office when doing this for health and safety reasons. Pupils who bring their cars to school must note their registration number with the Site Manager and adhere to the health and safety rules.

"Ysgol Llanhari provides stimulating and interesting experiences for its pupils to ensure that they develop as civilised and knowledgeable citizens"
- Estyn 2017





"Ysgol Llanhari provides valuable experiences outside the classroom that support pupils' experiences"
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↘ Resources

Specific study facilities are available to Sixth Form students, and during their non-contact time they are encouraged to make use of the Sixth Form study room or to use the school's ICT resources. The Sixth Form Study room is equipped with a computer network, specifically for undertaking research independently, providing access to the whole school network.

The Sixth Form Common Room is a centre for relaxation and socializing during specific lessons only. It is expected that students respect the common room facilities and rules at all times. The café in the school canteen is open at specific times during the day for sixth form pupils only, as well as lunch and break periods to purchase and consume food.

↘ Developing Leaders

We stress the importance of developing the rounded individual at Llanhari, preparing him or her for life as a responsible citizen. In addition to extra-curricular opportunities and opportunities arranged by the teachers, the students have ample opportunities to show and develop their leadership skills.

The activities which form part of the Community Participation skill of the Welsh Bacc supplement these further. We encourage the students to take part in as many experiences as possible during their period in the sixth form, developing their leadership and social skills as well as developing academically. e.g.

- **Presentations in Open Evenings**
- **Public Speaking. Debating groups (English and Welsh)**
- **Pastoral support e.g. mentoring younger pupils**
- **Eisteddfod House Leaders**
- **Coaching younger pupils in the Eisteddfod**
- **Sports Leaders**
- **Parents' Evenings Prefects**
- **Youth Forum**
- **Leading the School Council**
- **Various duties**
- **Voluntary/charity work**
- **Llangrannog/ Cardiff residential visit prefects**
- **Primary Department link**
- **Reading/Welsh support at the local English medium primary school**

↘ **The Next Step**

We organise a carefully planned UCAS programme. We organise numerous guest speakers from Universities, past-pupils share their experiences and we attend the UCAS fair in NIAC UWIC.

We also offer mock interviews in year 13 to our students, and Oxbridge style interviews for students who are applying for top rated universities. Many students are also part of the Seren Network annually.

We are proud of the fact that a very high percentage of the students pursue University courses, either locally in South Wales or attend top rated universities including Oxbridge and Russell Group Universities.

↘ **Why Llanhari's 6th Form?**

Why choose Llanhari's sixth form?

What do the pupils say?

- **Lessons of a high standard.**
- **A close relationship between teachers and pupils.**
- **Academic advice on higher education.**
- **Opportunities to lead.**
- **Assistance from staff readily available.**
- **Treated equally.**
- **More freedom!**
- **Small classes therefore individual attention.**
- **Enjoying the chance to focus on less subjects.**
- **A high standard of ICT equipment.**
- **Teaching is of a high standard.**



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