St David's College

Parent Update

*This is the **Parent Update**, sent every two weeks to keep you informed of what is happening around St David's College, with news, opportunities, dates to be aware of, and a link to **The Update** – the student-led podcast.*

The Update:

Catch up on all the news from the last two weeks, in Episode 4 of THE UPDATE. This episode was hosted by Ilona and Georgia.

https://www.stdavidscollege.ac.uk/st-davids-update/

Here are some links which may be useful for you:

Important Dates in October

Latest News

A guide for New Learners

And, Follow St David's on Instagram, LinkedIn and TikTok

What's Coming up?

UCAS internal deadline
It's the UCAS internal deadline for students applying to university, on **21st November** – a big final push now to get those applications completed!

Advanced Skills Baccalaureate Wales qualification
Advanced skills deadlines for **Future Destination Task 1B** is the **30th of November** for all Year 13 students. Students are reminded to check the support check list from Mrs Phillips so you can make sure you have everything required and to a high standard.

Christmas activities
Then, the Christmas activities are beginning! There are loads of opportunities to get involved with the Christmas Market, which takes place **5th December** – a great way to kick off the festive spirit around College!

On **11th December**, we encourage all staff and students to wear a Christmas jumper in order to support Children in Need.

Record numbers attended Open Evening

Our recent Open Evening saw record numbers of visitors. We would like to extend our thanks to the students who volunteered.

As one parent described "We really felt the enthusiasm from learners and lecturers alike. Hats off, especially to the learners that gave their time for the evening to show parents around and answer questions. They are a total credit to St. Davids!"

The help that students provided will encourage other young people to make informed choices about their future, and the routes they take in life. Well done all!

Food Pantry

We understand that access to a good meal is a luxury for some.

If you or your family could use a little extra support right now, the St David's Food Pantry is available. Students are able to go to Wellbeing, and select from a range of foods and toiletries to take home, for free.

You Said We Did

New students recently completed the Settling-In Survey.
Feedback included:

- **100%** agreed they felt safe in college
- **100%** agreed that staff had made them feel welcome
- **98%** agreed they felt comfortable at college
- **99%** stated they were clear about expectations regarding behaviour
- **99%** stated they were clear about expectations regarding attendance
- **99%** agreed they were settling in well at St David's
- **97%** agreed they were satisfied with access to PCs during lessons
- **97%** agreed there were staff who they could speak to if they were worried about something, or had a question or concern

Based on the feedback, this is what we are doing:

Daily menus will now be displayed on the **TV screens** around the college and on Linc.

Don't forget, **every day** there are **non-meat** options available.
We've added **new seating** on the top floor.

Additional vending machines have been ordered to ease congestion. Guidance on how to use the vending machines will be provided.

We are **reviewing our processes** to **improve** the system of processing **financial support** applications to be quicker and better.

We now offer many **lunchtime clubs,** including a lunchtime club on Thursdays, specifically targeted at students who have come from other schools. Students need to click on 'What's On' on Linc to see all of the clubs available.

Diweddariad i Rieni

Coleg Dewi Sant

*Dyma'r **Diweddariad i Rieni**, anfonir bob pythefnos i'ch cadw mewn cysylltiad gyda'r hyn sy'n mynd ymlaen yng Ngholeg Dewi Sant, gyda newyddion, cyfleoedd, dyddiadau i gadw, a dolen i'r **Update-** podlediad ein myfyrwyr.*

The Update - Y Diweddariad

Daliwch i fyny â newyddion y pythefnos diwetha, ym Mhennod 4 Y Diweddariad. Cyflwynir y bennod gan Ilona a Georgia.

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Dyma ddolenni all fod o ddefnydd i chi:

Dyddiadau pwysig mis Hydref

Y Newyddion Diweddaraf

Canllaw i Ddysgwyr Newydd

A dilynwch Goleg Dewi Sant at Instagram, LinkedIn a TikTok

Beth sydd i ddod?

Bydd hi'n ddyddiad cau mewnol UCAS i fyfyrwyr sy'n gwneud cais i'r brifysgol, ar 21 Tachwedd - ymdrech olaf fawr nawr i gael y ceisiadau hynny wedi'u cwblhau!

Y dyddiadau cau sgiliau uwch ar gyfer tasg cyrchfan y dyfodol 1B yw'r 30ain o Dachwedd. Atgoffir myfyrwyr i wirio'r rhestr wirio cymorth gan Mrs Phillips fel y gallwch sicrhau bod gennych bopeth sydd ei angen ac i safon uchel.

Yna, mae gweithgareddau'r Nadolig yn dechrau! Mae llwyth o gyfleoedd i gymryd rhan yn y Farchnad Nadolig, sy'n digwydd ar 5 Rhagfyr - ffordd wych o gychwyn ysbryd yr ŵyl o amgylch y Coleg!

Nifer fwyaf erioed yn mynychu’r Noson Agored

Hoffem estyn ein diolch i'r myfyrwyr a wirfoddololodd yn Noson Agored yr wythnos diwethaf.

Fel y disgrifiodd un rhiant “fe wnaethon ni deimlo brwdfrydedd y dysgwyr a'r darlithwyr fel ei gilydd. Chwarae teg, yn enwedig i'r dysgwyr a roddodd eu hamser ar gyfer y noson i ddangos rhieni o gwmpas ac ateb cwestiynau. Maent yn glod llwyr i Goleg Dewi Sant!

Bydd y cymorth a ddarparwyd gan fyfyrwyr yn annog pobl ifanc eraill i wneud dewisiadau gwybodus am eu dyfodol, a'r llwybrau y maent yn eu cymryd mewn bywyd. Da iawn bawb!

Pantri Bwyd

Rydyn ni’n deall bod mynediad i bryd o fwyd da yn foethusrwydd i rai.

Os gallech chi a'ch teulu wneud â rhywfaint o gymorth ychwanegol ar hyn o bryd, mae Pantri Bwyd Dewi Sant ar gael. Gall fyfyrwyr fynd i'r Ystafell Les a dewis o'r amrywiaeth o fwyd i'w cymryd adref am ddim.

Dwedoch chi, Gwnaethon ni

Gwnaeth ein myfyrwyr newydd gwblhau holiadur Setlo-i-fewn yn ddiweddar. Mae eu hadborth yn cynnwys:

- Cytunodd 100% eu bod yn teimlo'n ddiogel yn y coleg
- Cytunodd 100% fod y staff wedi gwneud iddynt deimlo'n gartrefol
- Cytunodd 98% eu bod yn teimlo'n gyfforddus yn y coleg
- Dywedodd 99% eu bod yn glir ynghylch disgwyliadau ymddygiad
- Dywedodd 99% eu bod yn glir ynghylch disgwyliadau presenoldeb
- Cytunodd 99% eu bod yn ymgartrefu'n dda yn Ysgol Dewi Sant
- Cytunodd 97% eu bod yn fodlon ar fynediad at gyfrifiaduron personol yn ystod gwersi
- Cytunodd 97% fod staff y gallent siarad â nhw os oeddent yn poeni am rywbeth, neu os oedd ganddynt gwestiwn neu bryder

Yn seiliedig ar yr adborth, dyma beth rydyn yn ei wneud:

Bydd **Bwydllen Ddyddiol** yn cael ei arddangos ar y sgriniau teledu sydd o gwmpas y coleg, ac ar Linc.

Peidiwch anghofio, **bob dydd** bydd dewisiadau bwyd **heb gig** ar gael.

Rydyn ni wedi ychwanegu **lleoedd newydd i eistedd** ar y llawr uchaf.

Rydyn ni wedi archebu **peiriannau gwerthu** ychwanegol er mwyn lleihau prysurdeb. Bydd arweiniad ar sut I'w defnyddio yn cael ei ddarparu.

Rydym yn **adolygu ein prosesau** er mwyn gwella'r system o brosesu ceisiadau am **gymorth ariannol** er mwyn bod yn gyflymach ac yn well.

Rydym nawr yn cynnig nifer o **glybiau amser cinio**, yn cynnwys clwb amser cinio dydd Iau sy’n arbennig ar gyfer pobl sydd wedi dod o ysgolion eraill. Mae angen i fyfyrwyr glicio dolen “Beth sy mlaen” ar y Linc i weld yr holl glybiau sydd ar gael.