



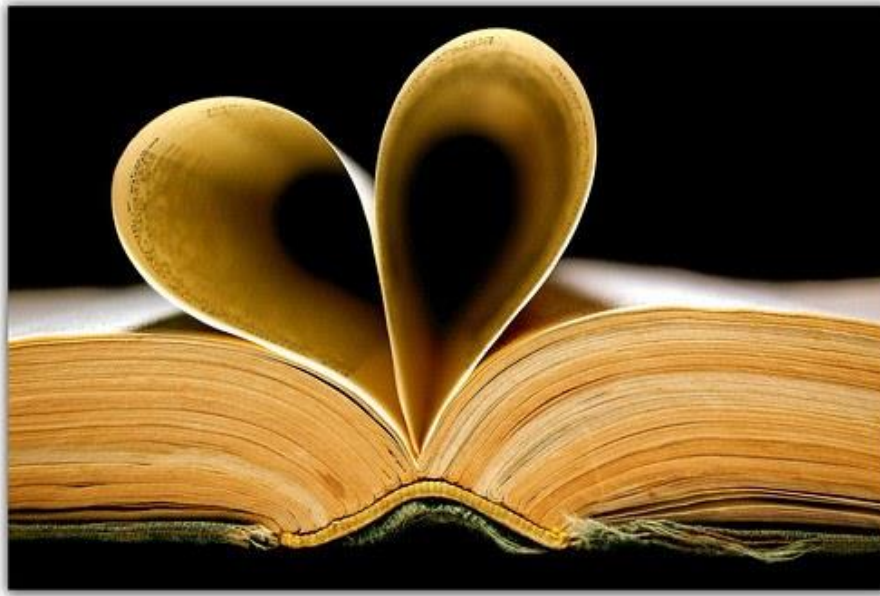
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Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy Literacy Newsletter

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“Reading is a key skill that carries on for a lifetime. Reading equips children with creativity, ambition, confidence and empathy.” Addysg Cymru/Education Wales

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Schools Love Reading

Watch this clip from [Books Council of Wales](#) (Schools Love Reading project) where Mace the Great explains why he enjoys reading.





Summer Reading Challenge 2023

It was extremely encouraging to see that so many Year 7 pupils from Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy signed up for this year's Summer Reading Challenge. Did you manage to read six books over the summer holidays?

- Which book was your favourite? Why?
- What does reading mean to you?



Llanrwst Library



Support your local library ... how?

1. Join the library
2. Follow the library on social media
3. Escape to the library on a rainy afternoon
4. Join some of the groups/activities that take place there.

Llanrwst Library Opening Times

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30am to 5:00pm
- Wednesday: 10:00am to 7pm
- Saturday: 9:30am to 12:30pm
- Sunday: Closed

Facilities

- Free Wi-Fi
- Free access to public computers
- Printing, scanning and photocopying

Contact Details

E-mail llyfrgell.llanrwst@conwy.gov.uk

Click [here](#) to go to the library website.

Searching for books ...?



Why not search for books on the bilingual blog, [Sonamlyfra](#)? You will find great reviews of children's books written by children. Or why not upload your own review of a book you read?

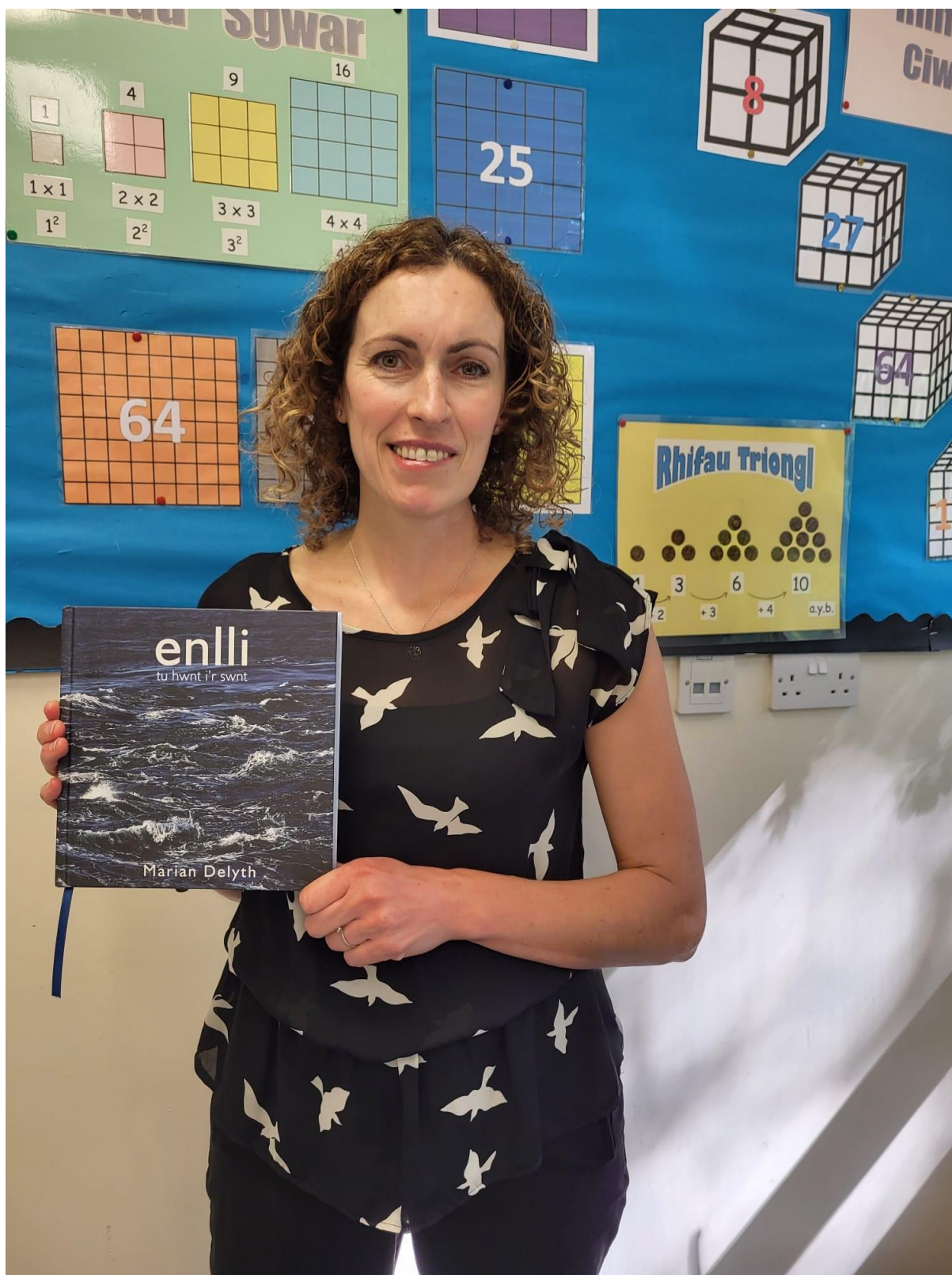
Searching for books? Have a look at this blog: <https://gwanas.wordpress.com/>. Read Bethan Gwanas' review of the book *Sêr Y Nos yn Gwenu* by Casia Wiliam and *Honesty and Lies* by Eloise Williams

The School Library



You will have the opportunity to visit the school library during this term to choose a book. We are trialing a few new ideas with the library this year. If you have ideas about how to improve the library, contact Mrs G Ifan or your class tutor.

Teacher recommendations



Miss Dona Jones has chosen a book to read from the school library this month ... and her choice was *Enlli: Tu Hwnt i'r Swnt* by Marian Delyth.

Miss Jones will be coming to the Year 7 service on October 10 to talk about and present her book to you.

Parents' Corner ...

“As your child moves to independent reading, your encouragement can enrich their reading journey. Reading is about expanding horizons and igniting curiosities”, Addysg Cymru/Education Wales

Useful website: Darllenco.cymru



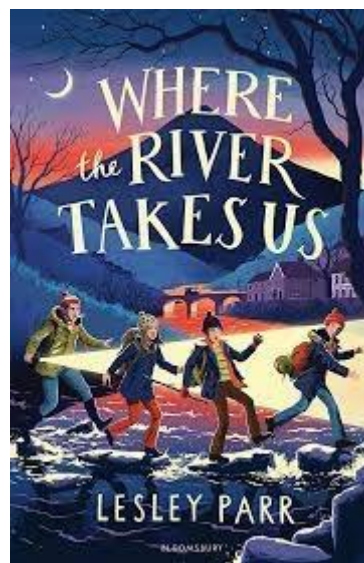
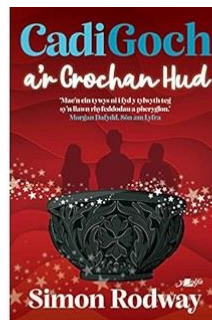
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Recommendations for Year 7



***Cadi Goch a'r Crochan Hud*, Simon Rodway (9-12 years) – out now!**

This is the second adventure of Cadi Goch and her friends at Ysgol Swynion. Will it be possible for them to stop the conspiracy to steal the cauldron from the National Library? A novel in the style of Harry Potter, but with a strong Welsh tone.



***Where the River Takes Us*, Lesley Parr (9-11 years) – out now!**

By the author of *The Valley of Lost Secrets*, this is an exciting, historical adventure, set against the backdrop of the 1970s miners' strikes, perfect for age 9+ readers. With echoes of *Stand By Me*, this is a world-class adventure, featuring elaborate portraits and a gripping storyline on relevant themes. Excellent historical fiction.

[Welsh books suitable for you in Year 7:](#)

Search for the following series of Welsh books:

- Cyfres Miss Prydderch
- Cyfres yr Onnen
- Cyfres y Mellt
- Cyfres Pen Dafad
- Cyfres Whap
- Cyfres y Dderwen

Until next time, enjoy the reading!

