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Penlan Library Hat Tree - The concept created by library employees and many hats donated by local community groups and members. They have given out more than 50 warm hats to the community.



Hafod Primary School - I visited the pupils whilst on their tour at the Senedd and then joined them in their classroom to discuss the Senedd, Youth Parliament & environment issues.

We also discussed compelling arguments and speech writing. Tips were shared ahead of their debates in the new term.



HALF A MILLION TREATED IN COMMUNITY PHARMACIES

In 2022, the Welsh Labour Government reformed how community pharmacies operate in Wales. This meant a wider range of clinical services could be offered by pharmacists across the country.

Last month, I was thrilled to see the release of a [new report](#) which showed that more than half a million consultations have taken place since those reforms, across Wales' pharmacy network.

This has freed up over 400,000 appointments in GP surgeries, and meant people being able to access the care that they need closer to where they live and work.

More pharmacists than ever are completing the additional training needed to be able to prescribe medicines to those using community pharmacies.



TACKLING CHILD POVERTY AT THE HEART OF NEW WELSH GOVERNMENT STRATEGY

Last month, the [Child Poverty Strategy](#) was launched by the Welsh Government. This will address the harmful effects on children living in poverty and look to improve opportunities for these young people.

Over 3,000 children, young people, families and organisations have helped to create this strategy, helping to make sure the focuses and priorities of the Welsh Government are in the right place.

Tackling child poverty is beneficial for us all. I am proud that the Welsh Government is determined to use all their powers to bring about change.



PLAN TO END SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN SCHOOLS

Last month, the Welsh Government announced that it will be working with the national charity NSPCC Cymru and young people, to end sexual harassment in schools and to stop the harmful behaviours that lead to it.

A safe learning environment is essential to giving young people the best chances in their education. It also supports wellbeing and boosts attendance.

Schools across Wales already do a great job in helping to achieve this, but just like in wider society, peer-on-peer harassment is a problem both online and in person that must be properly tackled, with expert help.

Within this process, the Welsh Government believes it is vitally important that young people feel seen, listened to and supported. They will be at the forefront of shaping this work.

WELSH GOVERNMENT TO BAN DISPOSABLE VAPES

In January, the Welsh Government confirmed their plan to ban disposable vapes and support the UK Government plans to restrict vape sales and increase the smoking age.

UPCOMING ADVICE SURGERIES

16 February – Penlan Library 2-3 pm
22 February – St Thomas Library 3-3.30pm
23 February – Llansamlet Library 3-4pm
1 March – Brynhyfryd Library 3-4pm
8 March – Morryston Library 3-4pm

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Articles

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Steel on Welsh Fabian
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Links to Articles -

<https://labourhub.org.uk/>

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Recent visits

SBUHB briefing

Penlan foodbank

Cwmpas housing regarding
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Mount Zion multi disciplinary
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Plasmarl school

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Clase v Port Tennant colts

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Union v African community
centre

St Thomas stars

Rugby

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