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Welcome to edition#181 of the CollegesWales e-news, the weekly roundup of news from across education colleges in Wales.

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Colleges in their Communities

Money for Life Challenge in the community ... and at Doctor Who

At the Doctor Who Experience in Cardiff tomorrow, 28 April, the Wales National Final of the Money for Life Challenge, a national competition to inspire better money management skills in local communities across the UK, will select two teams to represent Wales at next month's UK Grand Final.

The teams have been drawn from youth groups, community organisations and learning providers from across Wales.

The Money for Life Challenge is a Lloyds Banking Group initiative, managed in Wales by ColegauCymru with partners Youth Cymru.

[Money for Life Challenge Wales Final](#)

For a flavour of the types of skills the teams have been learning along the way, take a look at the [blogpost by our university work placement student, Ayesha Gardiner](#)

Coleg Gwent celebrating 25th anniversary of the Countryside Experience

Coleg Gwent Landbased students have hosted the 25th Annual Countryside Experience Event at the working farm, Equestrian Centre, Small Animal Centre, woods and pond at the College's Usk Campus, with more than 1000 primary

school taking part.

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College's Design & Construction Challenge for Schools

As part of National Science and Engineering Week, Cardiff and Vale College invited Year 10 pupils from schools across the region to test their construction skills as part of the College's Design & Construction Challenge.

The winners: Cardiff High.

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College's 5x30 benefitting community and helping students into work

Coleg Sir Gâr's 5x30 club, a college-wide programme encouraging people to get active, is getting recognised in the community and is helping students to get jobs, including work with the WRU and a university.

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Congratulations! Student Success

First prize to aspiring young film makers

Two aspiring young film makers have got one step closer to achieving their dreams after winning a Welsh film award. Creative Media Production at Coleg y Cymoedd, Alycia Pritchard and Scarlett Clarke, wowed the judges at the Zoom Cymru Young Film Makers Awards with their commemorative short film about World War One.

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Double award for science team

A talented group of Science students at Gower College Swansea have scooped a second award for their work on an innovative EESW (STEM Cymru) project. In addition to the Energy Efficiency Award (The National Grid Award for Best Energy Appreciation) at the EESW All Wales final held last year at the Celtic Manor, they have now been awarded The Wales Quality and Innovation Award (Education Prize) – presented to them by Lucy Owen at a recent ceremony at the Vale Hotel, in the company of fellow award winners Sony, Penderyn Whiskey and the NHS Shared Services partnership.

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Student wins pet hospital work experience

Gower College Swansea 'A' Level student Elan Daniels is set to spend a week at Swansea's Pet Hospital after winning a national work experience competition, the PDSA's Veterinary Student Work Experience competition.

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Learner publishes 'Oldies Guide to Using a Computer'

Former Coleg y Cymoedd learner, Aaron George, has achieved literary recognition from the world's most well-known online book retailer, Amazon, as the author of a new book for computer-illiterate over 40s.

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Welsh apprentice plumber turns the heat up on national rivals

Scott Fuller, a third year plumbing apprentice studying at Coleg y Cymoedd's Ystrad Mynach campus, has fended off rivals from across the country to become the Welsh representative at Heating Engineers Installers & Plumbers magazine's Apprentice of the Year UK final.

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Leadership Awards for college students

10 further education students from The College Merthyr Tydfil have achieved Institute of Leadership and Management (ILM) awards as part of the Heads of the Valleys Young Leaders programme.

Among them was business student Emma Davies, who was also named John Lewis Apprentice of the Year at the awards ceremony held at the University of South Wales, and Lauren Davies who was awarded the prize of Admiral Apprentice of the Year.

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Winner of crown at Learner Eisteddfod

A Coleg Sir Gâr A-level student, Cara Llywelyn Davies, has won the crown at the South West Wales Learner Eisteddfod.

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Computer skills earns Welsh gold

Calvin Evans, who is studying IT at Coleg Sir Gâr, has won gold in the Microsoft IT Technician Skills Competition Wales final, as part of a Welsh Government-backed initiative to boost skills levels across Wales.

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Gold at AoC Sport National Championships

Five students from Pembrokeshire College were among more than 1,800 students from across the UK to take part in the AoC Sport National Championships last month – one of the largest sporting events to take place in England.

Jayde Thomas, Lauren Morgan and Taylor Macleod were three of the girls to make up the Welsh Girls Rugby Ten, winning all of their matches and securing the Gold medal for Wales.

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Learning Opportunities

Newport Parliamentary Candidates face hustings at Coleg Gwent

Newport's parliamentary candidates were put through their paces at a hustings held at Coleg Gwent's City of Newport Campus.

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Staff performing at Edinburgh Fringe Festival premier

A Coleg Ceredigion staff member is taking part in a theatre production that explores endangered cultures that is set to première at this year's Edinburgh fringe festival.

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Students given rare access to world-class defence development facility

IT students from Coleg Ceredigion's Cardigan campus were recently given a tour of the facilities at MOD Aberporth's military weapons test and evaluation site.

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College students achieve Millennium Volunteers Milestone

Students at The College Merthyr Tydfil are celebrating after achieving the highest possible milestone for Millennium Volunteers.

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Motor vehicle students complete 24 hour challenge

Motor Vehicle students from Coleg Gwent's City of Newport Campus recently put their skills to the test in a sponsored 24 hour vehicle strip, rebuild and respray challenge.

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Young chefs learn to cook on the wild side

A group of students from Coleg Ceredigion's Catering and Hospitality course have just returned from a foraging course led by one of the country's leading foragers.

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