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Strategic Partnerships

High profile Chinese delegation visit Coleg y Cymoedd

Coleg y Cymoedd has benefited from hosting an international event of high profile delegates designed to improve partnerships between the UK and China.

As part of a wrap-up event during the 'UK-China People to People Dialogue' the college hosted a vocational education roundtable and student showcase to 30 further education professionals from across the UK and China including council members, Principals and Presidents of colleges and schools from Chongqing in China

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Grŵp Llandrillo Menai and Lockheed Martin UK: Agreement to deliver training for energy sector

First Minister of Wales Carwyn Jones made an official visit to Grŵp Llandrillo Menai's Coleg Menai last week. During a briefing with representatives from the Grŵp and Lockheed Martin UK, an agreement between the Grŵp and the international corporation was announced which will see the organisations working together to deliver specialist energy training at the college campus in Llangefni.

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College Merthyr Tydfil and UCATT to build learning and skills

The College Merthyr Tydfil has signed a partnership agreement with UCATT – The Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians, to build learning and skills in the construction area. The partnership will see both parties work together to share information, resources and best practice initiatives to promote and raise the profile of

learning, training and skills within the construction area.

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National aerospace forum

Representatives of the aerospace industry from across the UK came to Cardiff and Vale College recently for a special forum to discuss the future needs of the industry.

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College Quality

Best at plastering in the UK... again

NPTC Group of Colleges' plastering department has been named the best in the UK for an outstanding second year running.

The College has just been awarded the coveted John G. Robinson trophy by the Master and Wardens of the Worshipful Company of Plasterers for being the best overall performing plastering department in the UK.

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Deputy Minister visits quality work based learning consortium

Pembrokeshire College welcomed Julie James AM, Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology, and Welsh Labour candidate Marc Tierney, last week.

With the recent ESTYN inspection of the college-led work-based learning consortium, B-wbl, resulting in five 'Excellent' and 10 'Good' judgements, Julie James AM was eager to see how over 5,000 learners across 17 out of the 22 counties in Wales are being upskilled.

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IOEE Enterprise Educator of the Year

Gower College Swansea's Sue Poole has been named the IOEE Enterprise Educator of the Year following a recent presentation ceremony at the House of Lords.

The Celebrating Enterprise Awards were hosted by the Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs (IOEE) and the Small Firms Enterprise Development Initiative (SFEDI), bringing together educators, entrepreneurs and other key

figures from the UK's small business, enterprise and skills sector.

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Learner Progression

Apprenticeship Scheme Nurtures Engineering Talent

Seven former apprentices returned to Cwmni Prentis Menai, formed by Grŵp Llandrillo Menai's Coleg Menai, to be awarded their apprenticeship certificates and to speak of their careers in engineering.

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Congratulations! Student Success

Royal recognition for Glan-y-Môr pupils

Ysgol Glan-y-Môr pupils Charlie Hall, Lewis Ellar and Bradley Webb were treated like royalty last week when they were invited to a reception at Buckingham Palace with HRH The Duke of York.

The royal invite came following their success at the National TeenTech Awards, where they won the Transport Category with their innovative idea for a sensor guidance system for wheelchairs, an idea they developed with the support of Steve Williams, Curriculum Leader for Digital Technology at Gower College Swansea, and students Corey Nixon, Declan Wells and Adam Edwards.

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Working with Business

Principality teams up with Cardiff and Vale College to support Mind Cymru

The Principality, Cardiff and Vale College and a local restaurant run by two former MasterChef finalists have teamed up for a unique culinary venture to raise money for charity.

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Future Farming Technologies Come to Glynllifon

Students at Grŵp Llandrillo Menai's Glynllifon Campus were recently treated to a display of the most up to date farming technology worth hundreds of thousands of pounds by Kverneland, market leaders in farm machinery, and a worldwide firm that has put itself at the forefront of farming technology.

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Entrepreneur explains value of Welsh language in business

Director and co-founder of award winning company, Best of Wales, a booking agency for luxury holiday cottages in Wales, has addressed Coleg Ceredigion business students on the importance of using the Welsh language in

business and commerce.

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Learning Opportunities

Preparing for European work experience

Two groups of College Merthyr Tydfil students have been learning Germany as they prepare to travel to Germany for two weeks' work experience.

The twelve hairdressing and ten construction students are part of a cohort of over 272 college students who will have the opportunity to take part in an Erasmus+ funded work placement in Germany over the next two years.

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Brickwork students are a year ahead

Brickwork students at Cardiff and Vale College are one year ahead of their courses already – and the first full term hasn't even finished yet.

As part of the College's drive to ensure students are employable and have the skills employers need, Level 2 Brickwork students are adding Level 3 work to their course.

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Performance workshop marks Tryweryn anniversary

Coleg Ceredigion students were fortunate to take part in a dance workshop led by the celebrated performer, Eddie Ladd, as part of activities to mark the 50th anniversary of the controversial drowning of Capel Celyn, near Bala.

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Prestigious conference inspires budding chefs

Coleg Ceredigion Catering students recently had the privilege to visit one of the main highlights of the professional cooking industry events calendar, the Annual Scottish Chefs Conference, billed as the "biggest culinary extravaganza for chefs, by chefs".

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CodiSTEM Full Steam Ahead for Training Skills and Work

Hundreds of school pupils from schools in Ynys Môn and Gwynedd flocked to Coleg Menai (part of Grŵp Llandrillo Menai) last week to attend two CodiSTEM Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) careers and information events organised by Careers Wales and Coleg Menai.

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A taste of healthy eating delivered at public libraries

The library service at Coleg Sir Gâr has been working in partnership with Carmarthenshire public libraries to deliver events based on healthy eating.

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