

## Llanfyllin High Community Challenge

KS4 students at Llanfyllin High School have embraced the Community Challenge. They select a brief, best-suited to their own interests and abilities, some even generate their own ideas. A group of computer science students created a Stevenson Screen weather station, that relayed information from automatic sensors, back to the school's website. This involved finding a suitable site that met guidelines and had power and WIFI. The group fenced the area, sited the area, and programmed the software.



Teachers from the P.E., D.T., Art, Business and I.C.T. departments are on the Welsh Baccalaureate Team, and cover a range of skills. Also, the agriculture and food departments willingly help with the Community Challenge. This is a great advantage and is why the Community Challenge is strong within the Centre.



After the school had identified 2 health and safety needs (no path to the fire gathering area and collapsed steps), groups of Community Challenge students created a path and a cement ramp, with school funds paying for materials and a cement mixer.

The P.E. department has benefited from the hard work of the community challenge students, with a group organising, performing maintenance, and painting and decorating the storage shed. Llanfyllin football grounds have also been improved and prepped for the new season. In addition to this, a website for the junior football club has been created by one of the students.



Students have exhibited their creativity, following the Headteacher's request for new pieces of art and inspirational quotes throughout the school. Local primary schools have also had their library and music rooms decorated by the KS4 students.



The school is lucky enough to have its own mountain bike track, with 20 mountain bikes. Here, a group of students planned and carried out maintenance on the bikes.

We hope to hear from Llanfyllin High again soon, with more news of the wonderful benefits of the Skills Challenge Certificate to the school and Local area.