

Top ten jokes



One of the boys' favourite activities was making up jokes for World Book Day 2011, here are some of the best!

- Q What kind of monkey can fly?  
A A hot air baboon!  
Tyler Thomas
- Q Did you hear about the two men who stole a calendar?  
A They got six months each!  
Jonathan Lucas
- Q What did the cake say to the knife?  
A Wanna piece of me?  
Evan Penny
- Q What do cats call mice on skateboards?  
A Meals on wheels!  
Dylan Vincent
- Q Why did the music teacher need a ladder?  
A To reach the high notes!  
Deon Thomas
- Q How do you stop a tap running?  
A Hide its trainers!  
Luke Walker
- Q What is a crocodile's favourite card game?  
A Snap!  
Ashton Cook
- Q How do we know that the earth won't come to an end?  
A Because it's round!  
Elliot Hookings
- Q What happens to cows during an earthquake?  
A They make milkshakes!  
Leon Darkes
- Q Which word in the dictionary is spelled incorrectly?  
A Incorrectly!  
Ioan Jones

For more jokes, visit your local library or visit [www.bridgend.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.bridgend.gov.uk/libraries)

Un o hoff weithgareddau'r bechgyn oedd meddwl am jocs i ddathlu Diwrnod Rhyngwladol y Llyfr 2011, a dyma rai o'r goreuon!



- C Pa fath o fwnsi sy'n gallu hedfan?  
A Babwn aer poeth!  
Tyler Thomas
- C Gilysoch chi am y ddau ddyn a ddygodd galendr?  
A Fe gawson nhw chwe mis yr un!  
Jonathan Lucas
- C Beth ddywedodd y gacen wrth y gyllell?  
A Wyt ti am i mi roi llond ceg i ti!  
Evan Penny
- C Beth mae cathod yn galw llygod ar sgrialfyrddau?  
A Pryd ar glud!  
Dylan Vincent
- C Pam oedd angen ysgol ar yr athro cerdd?  
A I gyrraedd y nodau uchell!  
Deon Thomas
- C Sut mae atal tap rhedeg?  
A Cuddio ei esgidiau ymarter!  
Luke Walker
- C Beth yw hoff gêm gardiau crocodeil?  
A Snap!  
Ashton Cook
- C Sut ydyn ni'n gwychod na fydd y byd yn dod i ben?  
A Am ei fod yn grwn!  
Elliot Hookings
- C Beth sy'n digwydd i wartheg yn ystod daeargryn?  
A Maen nhw'n gwneud ysgytlaeth!  
Leon Darkes
- C Pa air yn y geiriadur sydd â'r sillafiad anghywir?  
A Anghywir!  
Ioan Jones



## Photograph gallery









## Photograph gallery



Gwasanaeth Llyfrgelloedd a Gwybodaeth Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr  
www.bridgend.gov.uk/libraries



Bridgend Library and Information Service  
www.bridgend.gov.uk/libraries

Oriel ffotograffau



## Introduction

We know that there is a definite link between reading for pleasure and academic performance - not just in English, but across the whole curriculum. As well as helping with children's academic work, reading can enhance lives by freeing the imagination, inspiring creativity and developing intellectual curiosity.

Studies show that boys tend to read less than girls, with many losing interest in reading completely after they leave primary education at the age of 11. We wanted to help boys in Bridgend County Borough acquire the reading habit, to show them that reading can be associated with fun activities that are relevant to their lives.

The Boys' Literacy programme has been arranged in collaboration with Bridgend County Borough Council's Bridgend Library and Information Service and the Bridgend Basic Skills Management Team and was funded by Basic Skills Cymru as part of the Welsh Assembly Government's strategy to help children develop a lifelong passion for reading.

A six week programme of events was organised between January and April 2011 for years five and six boys from Llangynwyd, Garth, Tondy and Pil primary schools.

### Week one - Storytelling

Hosted by Mike Church at Garth Primary, Francis Maxey at Llangynwyd Primary and Mike Jenkins at Pil and Tondy primary schools, boys listened to funny stories and created their own characters.

### Week two - Penalty shoot out

Boys were split into four groups and took part in a football quiz based on newspaper sports reporting, magazines and sports biographies with the opportunity to win points towards a final penalty shoot out.

### Week three - Science

Mark Brake is a scientist and freelance academic who works with CBBC science rapper Jon Chase to make science accessible to all. Based on the magic of the 'Harry Potter' series, boys participated in a unique science presentation.

### Week four - Library visits

The boys were given the opportunity to visit their local library to choose books to read and discuss ideas about how the modern public library could relate to them and their needs.

### Week five - Hip hop

Jason Camilleri is a DJ, songwriter, producer and vocalist who runs workshops on hip-hop music all over Wales. Along with his partner Kaptain, Jason helped boys think about words in a rapping context, leading to them writing and performing their own rap.

### Week six - Comic book art

Guy O'Donnell discussed with the boys how much they had enjoyed the six week programme and helped them create some comic book art work to represent this.

The programme proved to be very enjoyable. We hope that the boys enjoyed their experiences and that they have been encouraged to think that reading can be lots of fun!

Thank you to all those involved.

Photography by Toby Apperley.

Ffotograffiaeth gan Toby Apperley.

Dioch i bawb a gymerodd ran.

Profodd y rhaglen yn bleserus iawn. Rydym yn gobethio bod y bechgyn wedi mwynhau eu profiadau a'u bod wedi cael eu hannog i feddwl bod darllen yn gallu bod yn llawer o hwyl!

**Wythnos chwech - Gwaith celf mewn arddull llyfr comics**  
Bu Guy O'Donnell yn trafod gyda'r bechgyn faint oeddent wedi mwynhau'r rhaglen chwe wythnos ac fe helpodd hwy i greu gwaith celf mewn arddull llyfr comics i gyflwynu hyn.

**Wythnos pump - Hip hop**  
Mae Jason Camilleri'n droelliwr recordiau, yn gyfansoddwr caneuon, yn gynhyrchydd ac yn lleisysdd sy'n rhedeg gweithdai ar gerddoriaeth hip-hop ledled Cymru gyfan. Ar y cyd â'i bartner Kaptain, fe helpodd Jason fechgyn i feddwl am eiriau yng nghyd-destun rapio, a hynny'n arwain at ysgrifennu a pherfformio eu rap eu hunain.

**Wythnos pedwar - Ymweliadau â llyfrgelloedd**  
Cafodd y bechgyn y cyfle i ymweld â'u llyfrgell leol i ddewis llyfrau i'w darllen a thrafod syniadau am y ffordd y gallai'r llyfrgell gyhoeddus fodern fod yn berthnasol i ddynat hwy a'u hanghenion.

### Wythnos tri - Gwyddoniaeth

Mae Mark Brake yn wyddonydd ac yn academydd llawrdd sy'n gweithio gyda rapiwr gwyddoniaeth CBBC Jon Chase i wneud gwyddoniaeth yn hygyrch i bawb. Yn seiliedig ar hud a lledrith cyfres 'Harry Potter', cymerodd y bechgyn ran mewn cyflwyniad gwyddoniaeth unigryw.

**Wythnos dau - Ciciau o'r smotyn**  
Cafodd y bechgyn eu rhannu'n bedwar grŵp a buont yn cymryd rhan mewn cwrs pel-droed a oedd yn seiliedig ar adroddiadau chwaraeon mewn papurau newydd, cylchgronau a chofannau sy'n ymwneud â chwaraeon gan gael y cyfle i ennill pwyntiau tuag at rownd derfynol ar ffurf ciciau o'r smotyn.

**Wythnos un - Adrodd storïau**  
Dan arwmiad Mike Church yn Ysgol Gynradd Garth, Francis Maxey yn Ysgol Gynradd Llangynwyd a Mike Jenkins yn Ysgolion Cynradd Y Pil a Thon-du, bu bechgyn yn gwirando ar storïau digrif ac yn creu eu cymeriadau eu hunain.

Gwyddom fod cyswllt pendant rhwng darllen er mwyn pleser a pherfformiad academaidd - nid dim ond mewn Cymraeg a Saesneg, ond ar draws y cwrwllwm cyfan. Yn ogystal â helpu gyda gwaith academaidd plant, gall darllen wella bywydau trwy ryddhau'r dychymyg, ysbrydoli creadigrwydd a datblygu chwytrdded deallusol.  
Dengys astudiaethau fod bechgyn yn tueddu i ddarllen lliai na merched, gyda nifer yn colli diddordeb mewn darllen yn gyfan gwbl wedi iddynt adael addysg gynradd pan eu bod yn 11. Roeddem yn awyddus i helpu bechgyn ym Mwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr fynd i'r arfer o ddarllen, a dangos iddynt bod darllen yn gallu bod yn gysylltiedig â gweithgareddau sy'n hwyl i ac sy'n berthnasol i'w bywydau.  
Trefnwyd y rhaglen Llythrennedd Bechgyn ar y cyd gan Wasanaeth Llyfrgelloedd a Gwybodaeth Cynor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr a Thim Rheol Sgiliau Syffaeol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr ac fe'i harianwyd gan Sgiliau Syffaeol Cymru fel rhan o strategaeth Llywodraeth Cynulliad Cymru i helpu plant i ddatblygu brwdfrydedd gydol oes dros ddarllen.  
Trefnwyd rhaglen o ddigwyddiadau dros gyfnod o chwe wythnos rhwng Ionawr ac Ebrill 2011 i fechgyn ym mlyneddodd pump a chwech o Ysgolion Cynradd Llangynwyd, Garth, Ton-du a'r Pil.