

# ROUTES INTO LANGUAGES CYMRU

## SCHOOL PROJECT FUNDING – CASE STUDY



### SCHOOLS WORKED TOGETHER IN PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE A FUN CHRISTMAS-THEMED MORNING IN FRENCH

Christmas provided the stimulus for schools to offer a morning of activities using French for real purposes.

#### SCHOOLS SUPPORTED

5 schools in Blaenau Gwent:

- Tredegar Comprehensive School
- Ebbw Vale Comprehensive School
- Glyncoed Comprehensive School
- Brynmawr Foundation School
- Abertillery Comprehensive School



#### WHAT PUPILS SAID

*“It was so funny when a robber came in and stole the presents. I really enjoyed matching up the present descriptions with the robber profiles.”*

#### AIMS

- Engage pupils in creative activities in French
- Raise the profile of French before the options process
- Improve levels of achievement in French
- Develop team-working skills – not only with peers but with pupils from other schools
- Expose pupils to a range of French cultural activities

#### WHAT TEACHERS SAID

*“An extremely worthwhile activity which put positive pupil experiences at the forefront of our planning.”*

#### WHAT DID IT INVOLVE?

Teachers from Blaenau Gwent schools formed a PLC with an aim to raise aspirations and achievement in year 9 French.

Working with CILT Cymru they planned and delivered a range of creative Christmas-themed activities including making Christmas cards and *la bûche de Noël*. The tasks were designed to be engaging and develop problem-solving skills as well as to expose pupils to new aspects of French culture.

The morning gave pupils the opportunity to work together and raised the profile of French.



#### COST

£100 (for resources)

#### EXTERNAL PARTNERS

CILT Cymru