

ROUTES INTO LANGUAGES CYMRU

SCHOOL PROJECT FUNDING – CASE STUDY



UNIVERSITY LINK UP GIVES PUPILS A TASTE OF EUROPEAN LANGUAGES

Cardiff University students helped provide a fun-filled day with a serious message about the importance of languages. Students from the university got year 7 pupils dancing in Spanish, dressing up in German and even giving a weather forecast in Italian!

SCHOOL SUPPORTED

Glyn Derw High School,
Cardiff

AIMS

- Provide pupils with an opportunity to work with native speakers
- Motivate pupils in their language learning
- Prompt pupils to think about spending time abroad

WHO WAS IT FOR?

Year 7

HOW LONG DID IT LAST?

1 day

WHAT DID IT INVOLVE?

The day started with an assembly involving the whole of year 7, the head teacher and the university students. Many of the students were native speakers. Each pupil took part in five different workshops, which also included number work in French and grammar games in English.

Every pupil had a passport and got a stamp as they completed the different workshops and the two best pupils from each group were selected for prizes.

The day finished with presentations from all the groups and a showing of Catherine Tate's translator sketch.

EXTERNAL PARTNERS

Cardiff University

COST

£300 (for prizes, passports and stamps, refreshments and students)

WHAT PUPILS SAID

"I liked the day, especially the salsa workshop with the students"

WHAT TEACHERS SAID

"We always have a fantastic day when we link up with Cardiff University"

"We are really grateful to the students who come and take part – a big thank you to them!"

DEVELOP THIS IDEA

A similar event could be run for older pupils. It could include activities that focus on careers with languages and could also introduce the idea of studying and working abroad.