

## Yr Adran Gymraeg (The Welsh Department)

All students in Wales learn Welsh as either a first or second language. All courses offered at Ysgol Gyfun Caerllion are Welsh as a Second Language.

Today, bilingualism is becoming the rule in all aspects of life in Wales. Therefore, the courses provided at all key stages are geared towards instilling confidence and competence in the use of Welsh for everyday purposes. We feel that being bilingual can give students a head start by enhancing their mental abilities, it makes them more aware of how languages work and gives a different perspective on the world. Our students enjoy participating in the modern Welsh scene – television, radio, music, magazines, books, theatre concerts, festivals and much more!

### The Content of the Key Stages

#### Key Stage 3

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Myself	My Friend	Holidays
School	Pocket Money & Shopping	Leisure
Time	Sport & Keeping Healthy	Young People Today
Directions		

#### Key Stage 4 (GCSE)

Students are given the opportunity to choose between the GCSE Full Course (1 GCSE) and the GCSE Short Course (half GCSE).

GCSE Full Course	GCSE Short Course
Image	Family and friends
Smoking, alcohol and drugs	The area
Keeping healthy	The world of work
Socialising	Socialising
Tourism	Holidays
The world of work	
Football and its issues	
The rights of young people & animals	
The environment	

#### Key Stage 5 (AS/A2 Level)

Both the AS and A2 level courses further develop the linguistic ability and confidence of students through discussions of the media in Wales, poetry and prose, in addition to the study of grammar. There is a strong social aspect to the courses within the Department to encourage practise and confidence in the use of the language, fortnightly siop siarad sessions, theatre, university and BBC visits, Eisteddfod and March 1<sup>st</sup> celebrations.