



# Smooth operators

ENTERPRISING pupils are in the running to win a national competition launched to find Wales' savviest students.

The Enterprise Troopers competition – part of Welsh Government's Youth Entrepreneurship programme – was launched in May 2013 to inspire entrepreneurship in primary schools and challenge pupils across Wales to develop their own business ideas ahead of a national final this March.

School pupils from Ysgol Abererch turned left-over milk into a thriving smoothie business, created *Smw-fi* after their school caretaker asked them to devise a use for milk left over at the end of a school week.

The pupils mind-mapped their business idea and undertook tasting sessions to develop their own smoothie product complete with label design and logo.

Annwen Hughes, head teacher at Ysgol Abererch, said: "The children involved are only five but it's amaz-

ing how much they've learned about business; they can even explain how to make a profit".

Ysgol Abererch won the Foundation Phase award at the regional final in Llandudno.

Ysgol Pont-Y-Gof, Botwnnog, and Ysgol Y Garreg, Llanfrothen, won Key Stage Two awards for their business ideas, while Ysgol Pont-Y-Gof also collected a special Environmental Award.

A group of year three pupils from Ysgol Pont-y-Gof starting making and selling their own Jam, called Cecin Y Gof, while Ellie Gwen Williams, a pupil at Ysgol Y Garreg in Llanfrothen, also received the Star Trooper Award for her efforts.

Now Ysgol Aberech, Ysgol Pont-y-Gof and Ysgol Y Garreg will go head to head with others from across Wales in a bid to become the national winners of Enterprise Troopers at a grand final at the Senedd in Cardiff, to be held on March 25th.



**BUDDING ENTREPRENEURS:** Ysgol Abererch at the Enterprise Troopers competition. Above left: Ysgol Pont y Gof, Botwnnog and right, Ysgol y Garreg, Llanfrothen.

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## Planting scheme comes to fruition

RECENTLY all the pupils from Ysgol Gynradd, Rhosgadfan had the opportunity to participate in an orchard planting workshop with Anna Williams, Wildlife Gardening Project Leader from The North Wales Wildlife Trust.

Apple trees were planted on the school field to create an orchard which will hopefully in a few years provide fruit for the pupils. The school would like to thank Anna for her hard work and all who provided the materials and plants.

"We think its important that pupils understand about sustainability and the growing of food," said a school spokesperson. "The school garden is being prepared for spring and anyone who is greenfingered is welcome to contact the school. The project



**IN WITH THE NEW:** Planting in progress at the school, and inset, a tree that came down in the recent storms

