

# Ammanford pupils research school history

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Year 9 pupils from Ysgol Dyffryn Aman have taken part in a WWI project. Susan Leah, daughter of Richard Sylfanog contacted the school and helped pupils with their project after reading the South Wales Guardian.

STUDENTS at Ysgol Dyffryn Aman have taken part in a history project to find out about the names engraved on the plaque situated in their school hall.

1914 was a historical year as the Ammanford school opened its doors for the first time as well as the start of the First World War.

The inspiration of the project is the memorial and honour plaque in the lower school hall for former pupils who fought during the First World War.

Over the years, pupils have used the lower school for assemblies, concerts and lessons without having a real understanding of the history behind the names on the engraved on the plaque.

Ysgol Dyffryn Aman history teacher, Rachel Evans has been pleased with the success of the project.

She said: "The project is the result of the diligent work of a group of year 9 students over the academic year.

“They have given their free time after school on a Monday and lunch hours in order to research and create this project. Their attitude and devotion to the project is commendable.

“We had a £1000 grant from the Welsh government’s Wales Remembers programme which is an official programme to mark the century of the First World War in Wales.

“The funding has helped us conduct our research and supply the information boards which are part can be seen at Ammanford library as part of our exhibition.”

“Although there has been a significant amount of information has been found, some of the men on the plaque still remain a mystery to the pupils.”

Year 9 pupil Samuel Jones said: “It has been a great opportunity to find out about the people. We found out so much from so little information.”

Student Finn O’Neil added: “It was a great opportunity. The person I was researching was a pilot and it is something I am interested in.

“The difference in technology used back then was also very interesting.”

If anyone has information about the men please get in touch by contacting Ysgol Dyffryn Aman on 01269 59244. The WWI exhibition will be at Ammanford Library until July 15.