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### Honorary Life Vice President

We are very proud to announce that former Trustee, founder member and History Advisor of WHSI, David Maddox OBE has agreed to be the Initiative's Honorary Life Vice President.



David Maddox OBE, Honorary Life Vice President

### CELEBRATING OUR 25th ANNIVERSARY



Welsh Heritage Schools' Initiative Committee at Y Senedd.

To celebrate this important milestone in the Initiative's history a special reception was organised at Y Senedd, Cardiff Bay, on September 15th, 2015. We were very pleased to be able to welcome our sponsors, our judges and our winning schools to meet Assembly Members during this event. Keith Davies, Assembly Member for Llanelli sponsored the reception and the guest speaker was Leighton Andrews, AM for the Rhondda. In his speech he emphasised the importance of teaching Welsh History in the national curriculum and he praised the Initiative for organising a competition to celebrate the success of schools, teachers and pupils in this field.

Dr Carol James, Head of Ysgol Gynradd Gymorthedig Pen-boyr, Carmarthenshire spoke on behalf of the primary sector and noted how they had benefitted both educationally and financially through the competition; and on behalf of the secondary schools, Owen Rhys Thomas, Head of History at Ysgol Maes Garmon, Mold, noted how their pupils had gained so much from pursuing a project on the First World War. Then, two pupils from Treorchy Comprehensive School gave vivid testimony of their experiences of participating in the Eustory Conference in Olsztyn, Poland in September 2015. To conclude David Maddox OBE traced the founding and early history of the Initiative and the great debt owed to Lady Danusia Trotman-Dickenson for her vision and tenacity through the years.

After the formal speeches the winning schools had an opportunity to show their projects to the sponsors and the Assembly Members present.



Pupils and teachers of Baglan Infants School with adjudicator, Ann Rosser



Pupils of Albany Primary School with their project on the First World War.



Pupils of Ysgol Pen-boyr interview Catrin Stevens, Chair of the Initiative, about the competition.



Pupils of Ysgol Maes Garmon with AMs, Mark Isherwood and Aled Roberts, Dr Elin Jones member of the WHSI committee and their teacher, Owen Rhys Thomas.



Head of History, Hedd Ladd Lewis and pupils of Ysgol Dyffryn Teifi explain their project on the First World War to Keith Andrews AM.



The Eustory winners discuss their project with Leighton Andrews, AM



David Maddox OBE tracing the early history of the Initiative.

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### Winners of the National Museum shield for best entry in each category and the winner of the Eustory award

Hodge Foundation Prize £1,000  
BAGLAN Primary



Hodge Foundation Prize £1,000  
Ysgol MAES Y COED



ADMIRAL GROUP PLC (Moondance Foundation) Prize £700 plus  
WOMEN'S ARCHIVE £300  
Ysgol PENBOYR



ADMIRAL GROUP PLC (Moondance Foundation) Prize £1,000  
ALBANY ROAD Primary



ADMIRAL GROUP PLC (Moondance Foundation) Prize £1,000  
Maes GARMON



ADMIRAL GROUP PLC (Moondance Foundation) Prize £750  
TREORCHY Comprehensive –  
EUSTORY Winner

