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# **Schools in Wales love making movies**



**Pupils at St Therese's Roman Catholic Primary School, Port Talbot and Nottage Primary School, Porthcawl are becoming writers, directors, special effects creators, animators and editors of their own movies, thanks to a six week course in Movie Making.**

The courses take place after school, started at the beginning of November and the children, all aged between 7 and 11, are learning how to use a range of different tools and techniques to make their movies, such as toys, animation, clay models, special effects and soundtracks. At the end of the course they will present their own mini film festival and all the movies will be uploaded onto the web so that parents and pupils can view their creations.

Christopher Welsh, Head of St Therese's Primary School said: "The children are really enjoying the classes as they are so fun and imaginative. They are so thoroughly absorbed by what they are doing that they don't realise how much they are learning! The whole school is excited about our first film festival."

Sue O'Halloran, Head of Nottage Primary School said: "The children are really enjoying the classes as they are so fun and imaginative. They are so thoroughly absorbed by what they are doing that they don't realise how much they are learning! We believe that ICT can be used in every aspect of learning and that it is essential our children are equipped for the modern world."

Paul Charles from ComputerXplorers, said: "ICT has a very important role to play in educating and preparing children for the future. These classes help children develop their ICT skills as well as giving them the opportunity to explore the arts. They also learn how to plan their work and how to work together as a team."

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