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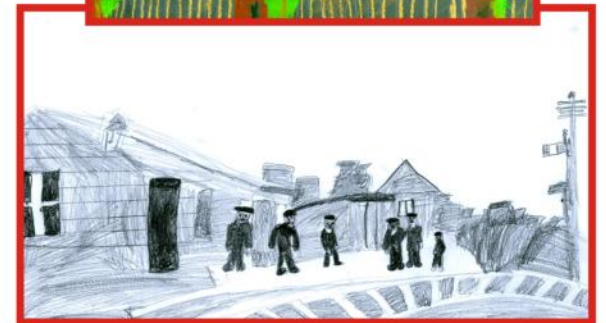


This history guide is one of a series of seven produced by children participating in the 'Bro Cynffig' Chronicles project. The project was funded by the Heritage Lottery in 2007 and since this time children and young people from the following eight schools have been researching into the history of the area.

-  Afon-y-Felin Primary School
-  Cefn Cribwr Primary School
-  Corneli Primary School
-  Cynffig Comprehensive School
-  Mynydd Cynffig Infants School
-  Mynydd Cynffig Juniors School
-  Pil Primary School
-  Ysgol y Ferch o'r Sger



# Mynydd Cynffig Junior School History Guide



*'The history of Cynffig told by its children with a little help from earlier generations'*



## Mynydd Cynffig Junior School



The school building has a varied past. The building that stands today was built in 1920's alongside a tin building called - 'The Tin School' this was destroyed in a fire in 1942. The school that stands today also had a fire - part of the school was burnt down in 1983.

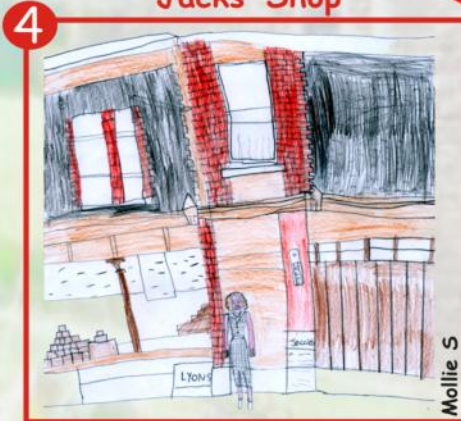
## Pwllgath Farm



Pwllgath farm was a busy working farm. Before Pysgah Chapel was built in 1912, the barn at the farm was used for church services. In the early 1950's the farm had foot and mouth, all the animals on the farm were destroyed. The farm house is still standing on the corner of Garth Street

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## 'Jacks' Shop



A shop 'the modern stores' known locally as 'Jacks' was number 76 Pwllgath Street. Children from the village would buy their sweets there on the way home from school.

During the depression in 1920's, when there was no work, the corner between Bridge Street and Waunbant road was known as 'Penniless Corner'. This is where many unemployed miners would spend their time.

## Penniless Corner



## 'Gaiety' Cinema

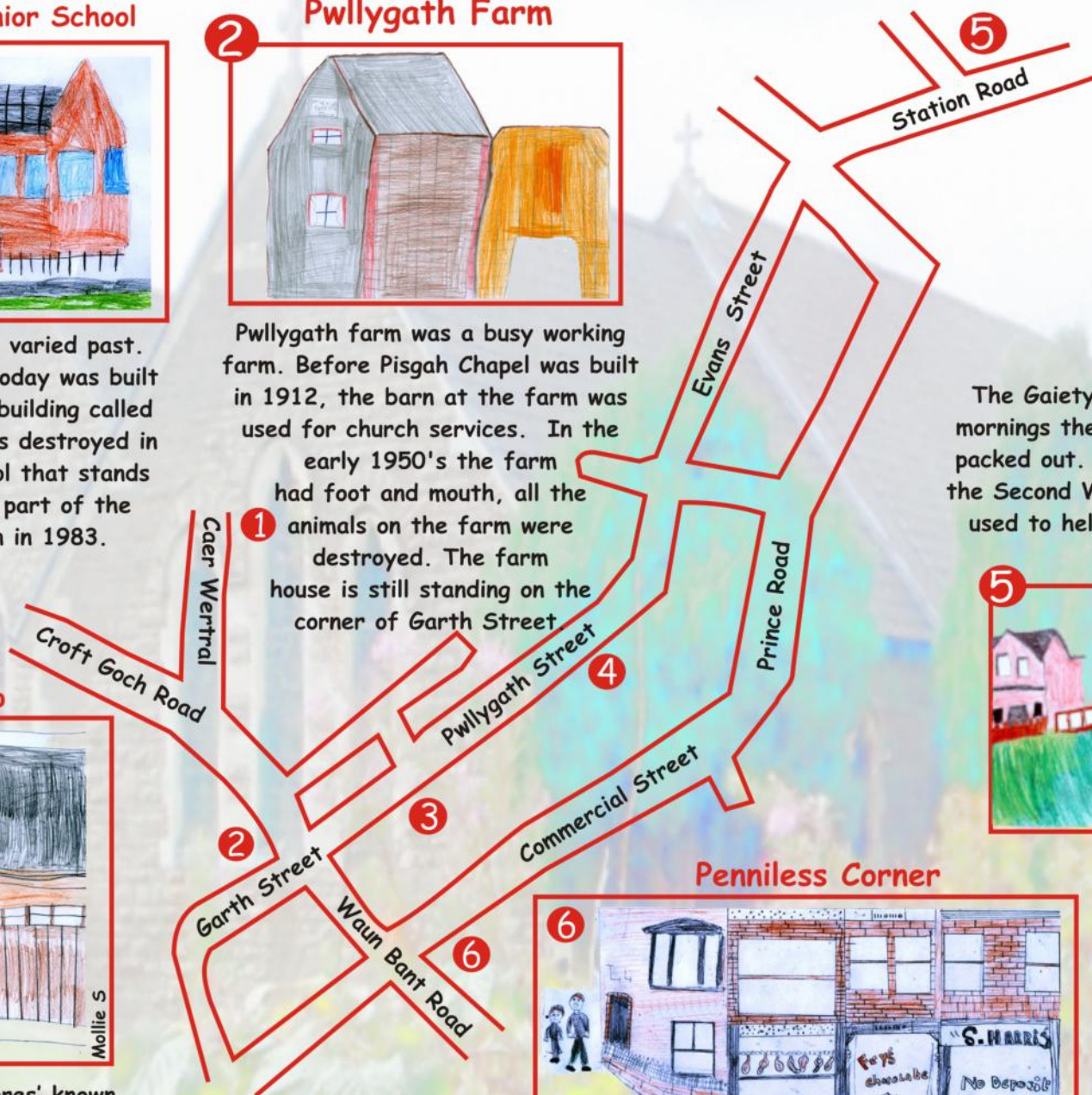


The Gaiety cinema was very popular on Saturday mornings they showed films like Zorro and would be packed out. The cinema would hold concerts during the Second World War, the proceeds would be used to help the soldiers who were serving in the

## Railway Line



What remains of the railway line on Kenfig Hill is now a cycle track (known locally as 'the line'). Originally, the railway was a tramway. Horses would pull carts loaded with coal to the port in Porthcawl. In 1861 the tramway was rebuilt as a railway line and was used to transport passengers. Sadly, the railway line was taken up in 1975 - The last tracks are still on show today, at Porthcawl harbour.



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