Halen Mon – Tori’s Account

Today was one of the best days ever! One, it was Meg’s birthday and two; it was the Chemistry trip to Halen Mon! We were actually going to Anglesey for a school trip! I wore my favourite dungarees. Everyone was so EXCITED!!! We got onto the bus and Miss Davies (who was wearing her converses) told us specifically not to eat sweets, but Nancy and I had a stash! Throughout the journey there was some singing of Anne Marie and loads of Mamma Mia!

When we arrived, after nearly dying in the tunnels holding our breath, we got out of the bus into the rain. We zoomed inside to the shop. We looked around and tried some weird flavours of salt, but also delicious. Rob, our tour guide, came into the shop and took us into a separate room with a few items on a table, chairs with works jackets and a TV. Rob showed us a welcome video that showed David and Alison, the owners. They told us that first they opened the Sea Zoo but it lost money in the winter. After around 12 years they opened Halen Mon which now produces the best sea salt in the world!

We then had a talk about how they make their salt, and we saw evaporation tables. We then went into their warehouses and there was so much stock! Barack Obama likes Halen Mon sea salt on his chocolate caramels! Some top chefs are also top customers of their salt. Then it was shop time and lunch! I bought some sodium chloride (salt) in a tiny tin and some chocolate!

Then, after saying ‘thank you’ and ‘goodbye’, we headed for the beach. I got an enormous walnut whip ice cream and it was AMAZING!!! I had a great day and I learnt a lot.