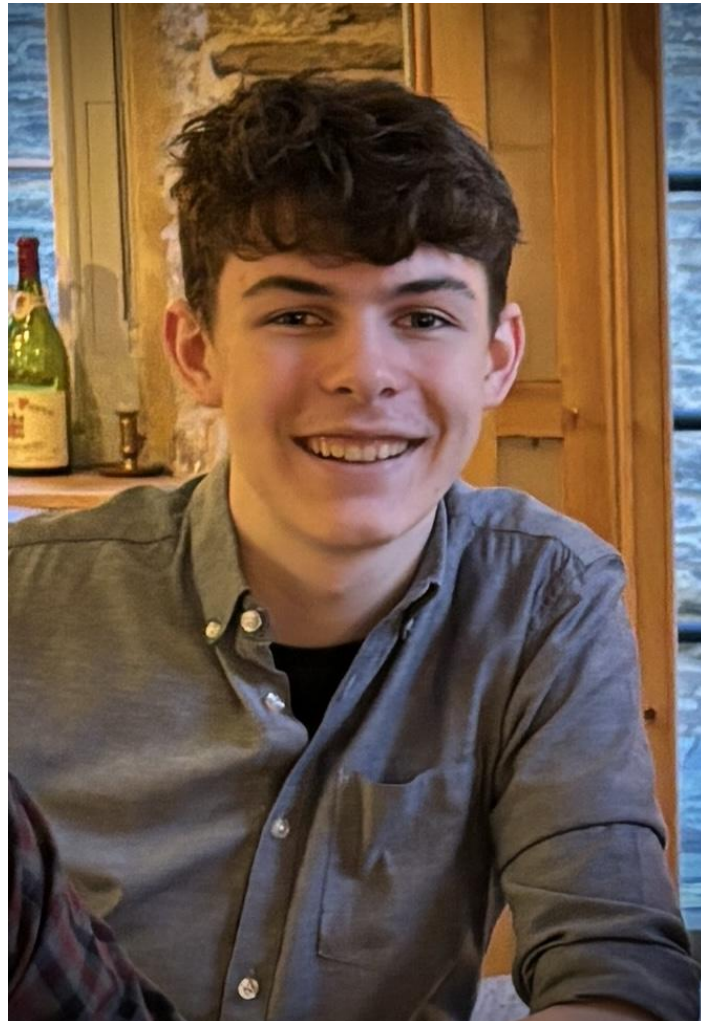


## **WLCoW - ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL WINNER 2025-2026 ELIS THOMAS**



Elis Thomas is a deserving awardee who has excelled during his apprenticeship with the Association of Accountants Technicians. Beginning at Coleg Sir Gar/Coleg Ceredigion at age 16, he demonstrated motivation and organisation while studying for the AAT Level 2 Certificate in Accounting. He successfully completed this and advanced to the AAT Level 3 Diploma, commuting 1.5 hours each way to classes. Elis's resilience was evident when he continued his studies after a personal loss, achieving impressive results, including a 90% on a re-sit.

His friendly demeanour and willingness to assist classmates made him well-liked, while his employer praised his professional attitude. Celebrating significant milestones, including his 18th birthday and passing his driving test, he was recognized as the Finance Awards Wales Accounts Technician of the Year 2025. As a Welsh speaker, Elis effectively connects with clients, enhancing his value to DMB Davies and the community. Receiving this award will support his pursuit of the ACCA qualification, ensuring his continued contribution to the finance sector in Wales.