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This Half Term's Values: Respect and Friendship

Newsletter #4 – Autumn Term 2023 – Friday 29th September 2023

Dear parents/carers,

It is difficult to believe that we are already at the end of September and the first month of the school year has gone already! When walking around the school this week, I have been delighted with how hard pupils and staff have been working day-in-day-out.

Site Management

Occasionally we are alerted to concerns parents/carers have about how the site is being used. Therefore, I have a few issues I would like to draw your attention to. I would be grateful if you could share this information with anyone else who drops off/collects your child/ren from school who may not have access to Class Dojo and my weekly newsletter.

1. Parking at the School Gates

When dropping your child/ren off at school in the morning, please ensure that you do not pull into the space in front of the school gates. Pulling into and parking in this spot, even if it is momentarily, makes gaining access to the main entrance to the school difficult and potentially dangerous, particularly for those arriving to the school by foot.

2. Dogs on the School Site

A reminder once again that dogs (unless they are assistance dogs) are not permitted on the school site. This is for the safety and comfort of everyone using the site.

3. Smoking On or Near the Premises

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school site. This includes smoking in cars parked on the school site. It also includes e-cigarettes. We would be very grateful if parents/carers refrained from smoking close to the school gates/fencing along the front of the school. There is potential that in this instance, smoke could drift onto the school site.

The safety of all users of the school site is of paramount importance and I am sure I can count on everyone's support and cooperation in these matters.

Harvest Festival

We look forward to welcoming parents and families to share our annual Harvest celebrations with us on Monday 2nd October at 9.30am. Each class will be performing and the whole school will also sing together. As we did last year, we would like to make a donation of food to PATCH. If you have any donations you wish to make, please send in any tinned or packaged food/non-perishable items into school on Monday morning.

Open Evening

It was a pleasure to welcome so many of you to the Open Evening on Wednesday. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to visit the classrooms and speak to staff. Pupils and staff at the school contribute to the positive environment each and every day. This goes a long way to providing your child/ren with the right atmosphere for making good progress in their learning and I hope this was clear when you spent time in the school on Wednesday. We have plans for plenty of opportunities to engage with the whole school community in the coming year and I am excited to share them with you in due course.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

I write this before the MacMillan Coffee Afternoon but I am confident that, when you read this, it will have proved a fundraising success. MacMillan is a very worthy charity and I am grateful to Mrs Bowers, the FOSS and our School Councillors for organising and running the event. I would also like to thank all those who donated cakes or came along to show their support. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

Chance to Shine Cricket Sessions

We hope that your child is enjoying the Chance to Shine cricket sessions. A quick reminder that there will be two more sessions and pupils in Barn Owl, Swan and Kingfisher Classes need their PE kits on Tuesday for the next couple of weeks.

Individual Photographs

Bluestone Studios will be in school on Friday 25th November to take individual photographs of all of the pupils. We have been reassured that orders will be made and returned in plenty of time for Christmas as I am aware many of you like to send school photos to family members/friends over the festive period.

Key Dates – September and October

October:

Monday 2 nd October:	Harvest Festival (9.30 – 10.30am)
Thursday 5 th October:	Swan Class visit to Castell Henllys
Tuesday 10 th October:	Hello Yellow Day
Monday 16 th October:	Shwmae Day (pupils can come into school in red, white and/or green)
Wednesday 18 th October:	Final day for donations to the Rotary Club's shoebox appeal
Monday 23 rd October:	International Week Appointments for Parents' Evenings released.
Wednesday 25 th October:	Halloween Disco (4.30 – 5.10pm Robins and Barn Owls and 5.15 - 6pm Swans and Kingfishers)
Friday 27 th October:	Final Day of the Half Term

Celebration Video

Congratulations to all of our Stars of the Week, those who were presented with a Headteacher's award and our Cymro a Cymraes yr Wythnos. I hope you enjoy our weekly video showing these pupils and, of course, some of the wonderful learning which has taken place across the school this week.

[Celebration Assembly – Friday 29th September](#)

Yours sincerely,



Mr A Welch
Headteacher