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A warm welcome back.

The new academic year is well and truly under way. It has been fantastic to welcome you and all the pupils back. As staff and Governors we look forward to working with you, the children and wider community to ensure we have another successful year of learning at Tywyn.

It has been a smooth start to the year and the children are settling in well. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves on 8th September when we held a day to celebrate the launch of the Rugby World Cup. The Year 6 pupils have also already attended the Peri Roadshow and some of our LSC pupils are visiting Neath Fair. Our Sports Clubs are already underway and we look forward to another year of sporting success. There are plenty more exciting experiences planned for this coming year.

We are extremely proud of our school and its pupils and would like to thank you in advance for your continued support in helping us to foster positive relationships, promote high levels of behaviour, punctuality, attendance and achievement for all pupils.

IMPORTANT: School Information

School regularly sends important pieces of information via our messaging service SCHOOP. If you have not already done so, could you please download this app to your phone. You will be asked for a school ID code which is 8115. Any problems please get in touch with the school office.

Snack and School Dinners

Fruit is available to buy daily from the school Tuck Shop at a cost of 30p.

School Dinners are now free to all pupils. Nonetheless, if you are eligible to the old style free school meals, we still encourage you to complete the relevant paperwork to ensure that the school receives all funding that we are entitled to, which supports the pupils with their learning.

Healthy Eating

As Tywyn Primary is a 'Healthy School' and we do our best to encourage a healthy lifestyle and diet, we would ask that you as parents support us in this and only allow your child to bring one 'treat' (crisps, chocolate) in their lunch boxes.

Breakfast Club Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club pupils are admitted at 8.15am. Pupils must not arrive any later than 8.30am. Please ensure your children are fully supervised when waiting for doors to open as staff are driving in to the carpark at this time.

School Uniform

It is wonderful to see the children return to school dressed smartly in their school uniform. Please could we remind you that school uniform items are available to purchase from the school office along with school book bags and water bottles. Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name. For health and safety reasons, may I ask that pupils with long hair keep it tied back whilst in school and that on the days they have PE their pierced earrings are removed for that day unless they are able to remove them independently before the start of the lesson. Wearing any jewellery to school is discouraged for safety reasons and to avoid items getting lost / damaged. Bright hair dyes and extreme haircuts must also be avoided for school as they do not comply with the school's policy which can be found on our website.



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Attendance & Punctuality

We have seen a positive start of the new school year. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time daily to avoid disruption – the school day starts at 8.50am and teaching and learning begins immediately. I must remind you that holidays taken during term time are not authorised by the school and you may face a fixed penalty notice if they are taken. You should also request a leave of absence form from the office, to be completed when requesting holidays. If your child is off school for more than one day could you please inform us on the first day of the absence and every day after as it helps to keep our registers up to date. If we do not hear from you by 9.15am on the first day of absence, school will contact you to find out why your child is off. If your child's attendance falls below 95%, their progress could be seriously affected. GOOD ATTENDERS = GOOD ACHIEVERS! Improving attendance is going to be one of our areas of focus this academic year as it has such an impact on the children's learning.

Collection of Pupils

Children must be collected by a responsible adult i.e. a person who has officially left school. If anyone different is collecting a child for whatever reason at the end of the day, the class teacher must be informed in the morning. We kindly request that any disruption regarding collection during the school day is limited.

Emergency Contact Details

On occasions we may need to contact you in an emergency. It is therefore vital we hold up-to-date contact details for you. Please inform the school office as soon as possible, if you have any changes to your contact numbers/address.

IMPORTANT DATES

The following days will be taken as INSET Days for staff training this year therefore school will be closed to pupils on the following dates: Fri Sept 1st 2023, Friday 29th September 2023. The other dates will be shared, once they are agreed with Governors.

Other dates for your diaries

14/09	Parent coffee morning to meet Mrs McHugh and the Chair of Governors – 9am
21/09	Parent coffee afternoon to meet Mrs McHugh and the Chair of Governors – 3.15pm
28/09	Macmillan coffee morning – more details to follow
29/09	INSET day – pupils NOT in school
2/10	Parents drop in after school to meet the teacher, up until 4pm. More information to follow
10/10	Young Minds Day – more details to follow
13/10	Shwmae Day – more details to follow
6/11	Parents Evening – more details to follow
w.c. 13/11	Anti-Bullying Week – more details to follow
17/11	Children In Need – more details to follow
w.c. 11/12 + 18/12	Christmas Activities – more details to follow

Siarad Cymraeg/Speakin Welsh

As a school we are very proud of our heritage and wish to foster the use of the Welsh language amongst our children and the school community. Please head over to our school website to find out more information.

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