



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new academic year! I hope you all had a lovely Summer break with your families. The weather seems to be more on our side now we have all returned to school!

The pupils have all settled back in to their new classes and are very busy enjoying their learning .

Our new concept this term is 'Remembering'.

General information

SAFEGUARDING

Please ensure you have sent in your safeguarding passwords for dismissal of pupils. Staff will not dismiss your child/children to anyone without a password. Can you also send in data collection sheets and health care plans immediately as it is imperative we have emergency contacts and medical information.

A polite reminder that staff will not communicate via Facebook Messenger.

ATTENDANCE

Lateness has significantly improved! However, there are still some persistent offenders.

If any children walk to school, or arrive late, please ensure they know they have to press the door buzzer and wait for a member of staff to answer the door.

REMEMBER SCHOOL STARTS AT 8:40 a.m.

Pupil Voice:

School Council:

We are looking forward another exciting year. There will be re-elections shortly where pupils will vote for their peers to represent all voices.

Rights Respecting Schools Council:

We will be holding our first meeting on Thursday lunchtime for the children who are interested in working towards our Silver Accreditation.

Eco Committee:

We will be holding our first meeting next week and doing an audit which will help us to create our action plan for the year.

Criw Cymraeg:

The Criw Cymraeg is looking forward to running a competition in line with The Rugby World Cup- keep your eyes peeled for details.

Digital Leaders:

Digital Leaders will be elected next week, and Mr Hawkins looks forward to working with the new members.

Dates for your Diary!

After School Clubs start back on 18th September—please refer to letters already sent out.

22nd September—School photos

26th September—Flu vaccinations Reception to Year 6

2nd October—Year 6 Skills Day @ Cwmtawe and Open Evening for parents/carers

26th October—Halloween Disco—4:30 p.m—6:00 p.m.

27th October—**INSET DAY** (break up for half-term)

Pupils return to school on **6th November** following half-term

5th December —Christmas Concert (afternoon performance)—1:30 p.m start

6th December — Christmas Concert (evening performance) - 5:00 pm start

13th December — Christmas Market (TBC)

19th December — The Santa Experience—straight after school (more details to follow)

22nd December — last day of term

8th January 2024 — **INSET DAY**

9th January 2024 — Return to school

MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA:

The PTA are already busy planning wonderful things for the pupils this term!
If you would like to join the PTA please message Claire on 07856467515.



What has been happening in Classes:

Lower Building

The children have settled in well to their new routine. They have been exploring the areas indoors and outdoors. We have started our Read Write Inc. In our expressive arts the children have created self portraits. Homework and reading books will be sent home on a Friday please remember to return these on Wednesday. We look forward to an exciting and busy term ahead.

Year 3/4

Pupils have been brilliant settling into their new class and have enjoyed getting to know their new classmates. They have started working hard in their Read Write Inc groups and have been furthering their understanding of Place Value using different apparatus. Our concept this term is *Remembering* and we will be starting off by looking at places and moments in time that are special to them, and the reasons why.

Reading books will be coming home on a Friday, it would be great if you could listen to your child read, leave a comment and then return the book by the following Wednesday.

Year 5/6

Year 5/6 have made an excellent start to the academic year. They have completed their termly assessments and are now showing really good involvement in their new concept on *Remembering*. The pupils are already inquisitive and are leading the direction of their learning. Also, a thank you to all parents who attended the Meet the Teacher session this week too, it was great to be able to meet many of you and share our plans for the pupils this year.

Kind regards, Mrs S. Jones, Head Teacher