24 May 2019

Dear Parent / Carer,

**Staffing**

We wish Miss Hannah Evans all the very best as she finishes with us on Friday to start her maternity leave. Her class will be taught by Mrs Emma Grosvenor; a familiar face around school but nevertheless, we welcome her to Ysgol Dyffryn Trannon.

**Parent Pay**

School Meal payment

We have been informed by the local authority of the amount owed to Powys Catering for school meals purchased at Ysgol Dyffryn Trannon. It is a significant amount, in excess of £850. Therefore, we have been asked to remind Parents to check accounts and ensure that sufficient funds are available on Parent Pay to cover the cost of the meals. If this could be done regularly, we hope to see the amount reduce. Should you have a problem at any time, please email: [catering@powys.gov.uk](mailto:catering@powys.gov.uk)

Thank you.

A reminder also that payment for breakfast club and the swimming bus is to be made using Parent Pay please.

**Attendance**

Our whole school attendance is above 95% at the moment. Please could I remind you that wherever possible, dental and other appointments should be arranged during a school holiday.

**Absence - Holiday**

We would discourage taking children out of school for a holiday during term time but understand that is some cases, this is inevitable. Holidays during term time are authorised at the discretion of the Headteacher (up to 10 days) and a school holiday form should be completed prior to the holiday. These are available from the school office.

**Sports**

Powys Primary Swimming Gala (1st round) – well done to all those who competed in the swimming gala at the beginning of the month. Fantastic results! We look forward to hearing the results from the next round, very soon.

Urdd Cross Country – Several attended the Urdd cross country event at the Blaendolau Playing Fields and ran very well on such a beautiful day. Well done!

**Friends – Summer Beach Party**

A reminder that the Friends are organising a summer beach party at the Trefeglwys Memorial Hall on Friday 24th May, 5.30-7pm. Admission is £3 which includes pizza, a lollipop and a drink. There are also prizes for fancy dress. Children 7 years and younger must be accompanied by a parent / guardian please.

**Bags2School**

Thank you very much for supporting us once again and sending bags full of clothes etc. We received a cheque for £184.40 which is fantastic. Diolch!

**Warmer weather**

As the weather is quite changeable at present, please ensure that all children are appropriately dressed for the day – this could mean coats, or hats and sun cream! Could I also request also that suitable footwear is worn to school (no flip flops or similar style sandals please). Thank you for your cooperation.

Please also remember to send a water bottle with the children as it is important for them to drink regularly during the day.

**Eisteddfod yr Urdd**

Good luck to ‘Bois y Dyffryn’ who will be competing at the Urdd National Eisteddfod next week. We look forward to hearing how they get on when we come back to school after the half term break. Thank you to the staff involved who have been practising with them over the last few weeks too.

**End of Year Reports**

Please complete the slip attached indicating whether you would like to receive your child’s report written through the medium of Welsh or English and return it to school by Tuesday 4th June.

**Dates for the Diary…**

Friday 24 May Year 5&6 Tag Rugby

Summer Beach Party

School finishes for half term

Monday 3 June Back to school

Monday 17 June New parents meeting (children starting September 2019)

Tuesday 18 June Multi Sport Festival Yrs.1,2,3

Tuesday 2 July Area Athletics Yrs. 4,5,6

Wednesday 3& 4 July Yr 6 Transition to Llanidloes High School

Monday 8 July School sports day (reserve date TBC)

Friday 12 July Pupil reports to parents

Saturday 13July Llanidloes Carnival

Tuesday 16 July Open Afternoon – Parents (1.45 – 4.15pm)

Wednesday 17 July (TBC) Music Coffee Morning

Thursday 18 July Leavers Assembly (pm)

Friday 19 July End of Summer term

Further information will follow nearer to the time along with information about school trips etc

We hope that you have an enjoyable half term and thank you for your continuing support during this term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Caroline Harries

Headteacher

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Hoffwn dderbyn adroddiad ysgol fy mhlentyn trwy gyfrwng / I would like to receive my child’s end of year report through the medium of:

*(rhowch √ yn y blwch perthnasol / please √ the appropriate box)*

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