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13th September 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year and I hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday. Your children have come back full of enthusiasm, look fantastic in their uniforms and they have settled quickly into their new classrooms. I'd like to say a huge thank you for your support in sending your children to school wearing uniform. They look fantastic!

STARTING TIMES
Please note that school starts for the children at 8:50 a.m. and that they are supervised by staff from 8:40am. We cannot take responsibility for your children before this time and encourage you to use the Breakfast Club facility where the doors open at 7.50 a.m. and the last serving of breakfast will be at 8.30am. If your chid is late (after 8.50am) please report to the school office to register them as present. This procedure minimises disruption to the children who have already started lessons, and their teachers, and in case of a fire enables us to know accurately how many people are in the building. Miss Llewelyn will be monitoring your child's attendance throughout the school year. If you have any queries or concerns, please call into the school office.

DINNER MONEY
As you know, we have been operating a cashless dinner money system for over a year now and it has gone very smoothly. However, please ensure your child's sQuid account has sufficient funds in order for them to be able to have a school dinner. We operate a No-Debt Policy and this can be seen on our school website. All children should have a sQuid account set up.

PARENTS' EVENING
We will be giving you an opportunity to meet your child's teachers and discuss any matters regarding your children's education. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and greatly appreciate your support.

Years 1 and 2 – Tuesday 18th September 5pm
Years 3 and 4 – Wednesday 19th September 5pm
Years 5 and 6 – Thursday 20th September 5pm

MEDICINES
If your child requires medication when in school you need to go to the office to complete a medication form **before** you send your child in with the medication. Any medication (including asthma inhalers) must be in a NAMED CONTAINER with the expiry date clearly written on it. Mrs Williams will be in touch with parents of children who have Health Care Plans to update these over the next few weeks.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Please see below for confirmed dates for you diary.

I look forward to your support for this exciting and challenging year ahead and if you have any enquiries please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M. O'Brien
Headteacher

18th Sept	5pm	Welcome to Y1/2 Meeting
19th Sept	5pm	Welcome to Y3/4 Meeting
20th Sept	5pm	Welcome to Y5/6 Meeting
28th Sept	9am	MacMillan Coffee Morning
4th Oct		Individual School Photos
8th Oct		Waterfront Church Assembly
15th-19th Oct		Y6 Residential trip to Pendine
15th Oct		Shwmae Day
29th Oct-2nd Nov		**HALF TERM**
9th Nov	2pm	Y6B Class Assembly
14th Nov	3:30pm-6pm	Parents Evening
15th Nov	3:30pm-6pm	Parents Evening
16th Nov	2pm	Y5M Class Assembly
23rd Nov	2pm	Y6M Class Assembly
26th Nov		Rec – Y6 Flu Nasal Spray
30th Nov	2pm	Y5R Class Assembly
24th Dec-4th Jan		**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**
25th Jan	2pm	Y4M Class Assembly
1st Feb	2pm	Y4R Class Assembly
15th Feb	2pm	Y3M Class Assembly
22nd Feb	2pm	Y3J Class Assembly
18th – 22nd Feb		Welsh week
25th Feb-1st Mar		**HALF TERM**
7th Mar		World Book Day
8th Mar	2pm	Y2B Class Assembly
15th Mar	2pm	Y2W Class Assembly
1st Apr		Waterfront Church Assembly
15th-26th Apr		**EASTER HOLIDAYS**
6th May		**BANK HOLIDAY**
10th May	2pm	Y1A Class Assembly
16th May		Class Photos
17th May	2pm	Y1D Class Assembly
27th-31st May		**HALF TERM**
22nd Jul		**END OF SCHOOL YEAR**

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