

Ysgol Tanyfron

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School Update – 27th October 2022

Dear Parent/Guardians,

As we enter the last day of the first half term, I wish to share with you a few updates. As always, school has continued to be a busy place with lots of curriculum and community events taking place.

Spooktacular Day - Friday 28th October

The school council and year 5/6 have been busy planning our 'Spooktacular Day' tomorrow. Our day will take the same approach as in previous years. Therefore, the day will include a range of spooky activities, games and conclude with a spooky film and disco.

Pupils are able to come to school dressed ready for the day ahead. Throughout the morning, pupils will be completing a range of 'Spooktacular' activities and games within their class. After lunch, pupils will then watch a class/department spooky film and have a small disco.

Can I please suggest that each child brings no more than £3.00 for the activities, games and treats. As always, the funds raised will go towards developing learning opportunities for the pupils. The school council have decided the funds raised will be going towards purchasing new activities for breakfast club.

As above, Nursery pupils can come dressed ready. Nursery will then be having their own games/activities and disco with Mrs Jones and the team during their morning session.

Staffing Update

Following my announcement that I will be leaving in January to take up the position of Headteacher in Ysgol Maes Y Mynydd the governing body have been working hard to ensure consistency for all pupils in the interim. As a result, after half term Miss Ion will be moving to Nursery to work with Mrs Jones and the team. Within Reception-Year 1 Miss Harris will remain as class teacher, however she will be joined by Mrs Griffiths who has been working in school throughout the academic year to date.

As regards to my replacement, the governing body has placed an advert on the Wrexham county council website with the process to be concluded on Thursday 8th December. Parents/Guardians will be informed on Friday 9th December via communication from Mr S Wynne, Chair of Governors.

Parents/Guardians Evening

Can I take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff and myself to thank all parents/guardians for their attendance at parents evening this week. It was lovely to finally be able to speak with parents/guardians face to face about your child(ren)s progress. Should you have missed parents/guardians evening please contact your child(ren)s class teacher to make an appointment.

Parents/Guardians Questionnaire

Can I thank all families who have completed and returned the parent/guardian questionnaire. We are very grateful for your responses as it will allow myself and the governing body to identify strengths of school but also and most importantly areas we can approve on. Could any outstanding forms please be completed and returned to us by **Friday 28**th **October.**

Parent Governor Update

I am pleased to say that following my recent communication asking for nominations for the role of parent governor, school has received four nominations. As a result of more nominations than vacancies we will now have to hold a 'vote'.

The next steps of the governing body (week beginning 7th November) will be to ask each nominee to write a short personal statement. These will be collated and shared with the wider parent/guardian community to place their 'vote'. Further information will be provided after half term for all parties involved.

Key dates for the autumn term so far

Please see listed below a few important dates for your diary. As more dates become available to us we will of course share these with you –

- Friday 28th October School closes for half term
- Monday 7th November School opens
- 9th November Individual & Family Photos
- 14th 16th November Year 5&6 residential trip to Nant BH
- Friday 23rd December School closes

School Training Days

As noted in previous correspondences please see the remaining training days for the academic year are -

- Monday 9th January 2023
- Friday 31st March 2023
- Friday 26th May 2023
- Thursday 20th July 2023

Please note – these remain provisional so any changes will be shared via future correspondences and class SEESAW.

Please respect our neighbours

As noted in my previous correspondences we continue to receive complaints from a small number of local residents about a number of cars parked dangerously during the 'drop off' and 'pick up' time of the school day. Whilst we appreciate that parking is extremely difficult around school, can we please remind drivers of the following issues/concerns –

- Please do NOT park on the yellow zig-zag lines at any point throughout the day including after school when picking up from Dragons. The lines are there to provide a passing point and keep traffic moving.
- Please do not block the driveways of local residents both on Tanyfron Road and St Albans Road. They have the right to gain access to their property at all times.
- Please be mindful at the top of Tanyfron Road where the pavement comes to an end. Please ensure that parents/guardians have appropriate access to continue their journey in the safest possible manner.
- Please be mindful of where and how you park your vehicle so parents/guardians can enter/exit their car and also make their way out of the car park/road upon leaving school.

Can I please also ask parents/guardians to be mindful of the property of the residents of number 20 and 21 Tanyfron Road. Please do not allow your child(ren) to enter their driveways or climb/lean on the fences whilst waiting to access school.

Can I thank you for your support and understanding to date and should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us in school.

Yours sincerely

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Mr D. Lloyd Headteacher