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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Could I welcome everyone back after the holidays, I hope you all had a lovely Easter. It has been a very busy week returning to school with our year 5 and 6 pupils heading off on their residential trip to Nant BH. A huge well done to them all for the resilience they have shown in challenging themselves, and a big thank you to the staff for giving up their time to take them.

As we move through the term I would like to provide you with the following information:

Dates for the Diary

Monday 15th April – Neil Griffiths Reading Workshop

Miss Harris and the Reading Ambassadors have organised a wonderful workshop with author Neil Griffiths for pupils, staff and parents. Further information regarding times has been sent out via Seesaw.

Tuesday 16th April – Wednesday 17th April - Taekwondo Sessions

All children will be receiving a free taekwondo session during these days, for which they will need their P.E. kit. Class teachers will notify you via Seesaw which day they will need kit.

Thursday 18th April – Dosbarth Miss Ion Class Service

Dosbarth Miss Ion will be carrying out their class service on this day. Miss Ion has sent out further information via Seesaw.

Friday 26th April – Year 5 Reach a Summit Trip

Following the Easter holidays, we will be sending information out with regards to our Reach a Summit trip for Year 5 pupils. This is one of our 'Tanyfron Ten' experiences we would like our pupils to achieve.

Thursday 2nd May – Staff Training Day

On this day the school will be being used as a polling station. Therefore, we will be closing to pupils as one of our staff training days.

Friday 17th May – Pyjamarama Day

Miss Harris and the Reading Ambassadors are organising for us to take part in Pyjamarama Day as part of our improving reading for pleasure priority. Further information will be sent out via Seesaw.

Friday 24th May – Sports Day

We are holding our sports day slightly earlier this year with the hope of nice weather. Further information with regards to timings will be sent out nearer the time.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

There is a new timetable in place for clubs which will start next week. Please see below:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime Clubs			FP Pro Skills Soccer		KS2 Pro Skills Soccer
After School Clubs	Staff Meetings	KS2 (Years 3-6) Eco Club (Mrs. Jones / Miss Harris) Reading Club (Years 3-6) (Mrs. Evans-Jones)	KS2 (Years 3-6) Craft Club (Miss Gabriel)	**THE CLUBS ON THIS DAY WILL RUN UNTIL 3.45PM** Cooking Club (Year Reception) Miss Ion	

The Eco-club will be a small club where I am hoping to work with the children to develop our school grounds. We will be looking at maintaining areas of school which are looking a little tired with the hope of developing a sense of pride and a want to look after our school amongst the pupils. This club will involve things such as painting, sanding pallets, planting, gardening and will require the children to have old clothes which you don't mind getting dirty.

Local Authority Update – Measles Outbreak

I have been asked to share the following information with you:

- Measles is currently spreading in the UK with large outbreaks in areas such as the West Midlands and other parts of England. A significant number (1 in 5) of unvaccinated children who have contracted measles have required hospital treatment
- Measles can spread very quickly among children and adults who are not vaccinated and can cause some people to become seriously unwell and in rare circumstances die
- Measles is spread by the respiratory route. It spreads easily when an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes. A person with measles is infectious (can spread the disease to other people) from four days before the typical rash appears
- The best way to protect your family is for you and your children to have had the scheduled two doses of the MMR, a safe and effective vaccine that protects against Measles, Mumps and Rubella
- If you or your children are not up-to-date with your vaccines contact your GP and they will arrange for you to receive the MMR

For more information about MMR, speak to your GP or Nurse or visit this link to access a briefing document for schools

<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/immunisation-andvaccines/vaccine-resources-for-health-and-social-care-professionals/measles-and-mmr-vaccination-programme-briefing-document-2024-pdf/>

We are asking parents to be alert for symptoms of measles and to not send their children to school if they are unvaccinated and have any of the symptoms below:

- cold-like symptoms like a runny nose, sneezing and cough
- red, sore, watery eyes
- high temperature (fever)
- rash that usually starts on the head/neck before spreading down the body
- small white spots inside cheeks and the back of lips

It's very unlikely to be measles if you've had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine or you've had measles before. If you or your child develops these symptoms and is unvaccinated, please call your GP or NHS 111. The person with suspected measles should not go to any health setting (GP, hospital or pharmacy) without ringing ahead first and advising of any symptoms that might suggest measles.

For further information please visit Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) - Public Health Wales ([nhs.wales](https://nhs.uk)) and Measles - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Should you have any questions about any of the above information please do not hesitate to contact me in school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Jones'.

(Headteacher)