



Ebbw Fawr Learning Community

Cymuned Ddysgu Ebwy Fawr

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we reach the end of yet another unusual term, I would just like to take this opportunity to express my pride and admiration in how brilliantly everyone in our school community is working together in the face of the immense changes to our lives caused by the pandemic.

We know that as parents and carers, this has been a tough time for you as you cope with your own worries and try to keep your children engaged and occupied whilst we are all required to stay at home. I think you can be incredibly proud of all you have achieved for your family over the past few months. There are lots of things that we have all learnt already but the most important is that the health and wellbeing of your family is our top priority and comes before everything else!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YEAR 11 AND YEAR 9

On Tuesday 23 February, we have scheduled a Parent Consultation Day / Evening (9.00am – 5.30pm) for the parents and carers of Year 11. Teachers will be available remotely to discuss the progress of learners and any concerns they may currently have. Please see enclosed step-by-step guide on how to book appointments with the Y11 teachers.

Parents who are unable to join remotely will be able to arrange a phone call with either the Leader of Learning, Mrs Jones, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Please contact the school if you have not completed the survey or received a phone call from the school asking if you are going to attend.

To allow this event to happen we are proposing a 'No Screen Day' for all pupils on Tuesday 23 February 2021. The focus of this day will be wellbeing and mental health. Leaders of Learning will be providing a range of wellbeing activities for learners in their year group, which will include activities not involving technology.

In addition, Mrs Khan, Leader of Learning Year 9, is sending out a pre-option newsletter and survey to all our Year 9 students to gauge their interest in particular subjects in Year 10. Please encourage your child to read over this newsletter and watch the videos inside it. Following this, we will be launching a live event for the actual Year 9 Options' Evening after which Year 9 students will make their final options choices. Further details, and dates to follow.

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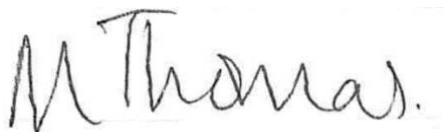
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Lastly, as a reminder, school returns on Monday 22 February 2021. We hope that on this date we will receive more information from the Welsh Government for when our secondary learners will be able to return to school safely, but until this information is received, all our secondary children will still be expected to learn remotely. It is therefore essential that learners continue to apply themselves to the absolute best of their ability whilst working from home.

Once again, may I thank you for your continued support throughout this most remarkable year. If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M Thomas', written on a light-colored background.

Mrs M Thomas
Head of School Secondary