

Dear Parents/Carers,

As always, I hope this letter finds you and your family well. As we approach the end of a very busy and productive first half-term I would like to express how proud I am of the way the whole school community, you the parents, your children, and staff, seem to be coming together and working in partnership to slowly, but surely, create a successful school for our deserving students.

Rewards - "catching students being good"

On Friday 21st October, 50 students visited the Odeon Cinema in Eagles Meadow to watch the much anticipated DC film 'Black Adam'. Each of the students involved have gone above and beyond what is expected this term, and their hard work and positive attitude did not go unnoticed. The Rewards Committee is already planning the next reward trip. Many of our students have over 200 achievement points already, and the shop wishlist is growing by the day. Please log on to Epraise yourselves, you will be able to see how well your child is doing. Our new Rewards Pod is in the final stages of completion, with the final touches being put to the interior. We look forward to the next half term with excitement, always looking at new and progressive ways to show how proud we are of the achievements of our students.

School Uniform

It continues to be a source of pride for me and the staff seeing more and more students wearing the full Ysgol Clywedog uniform. It communicates a sense of team spirit and togetherness. As temperatures drop over the coming weeks can I please use this opportunity to recommend again that a well sized jacket/coat that fits comfortably over the blazer becomes a key item in your child's wardrobe.

Given the economic times being experienced by many families, the Welsh Government is offering financial support with regards to the cost of uniform. The application deadline for the 2022/23 academic year is 30 June 2023. The link below provides the information you need.

<https://gov.wales/pupil-development-grant-access>

INSET Day

As a reminder, Monday 7th November is a training day for staff. Students return to school on Tuesday 8th November. The next staff training day of the year is Monday 9th January.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Alberto Otero

Headteacher

Be the best you can be - Ready, Respectful, Responsible