As always, I hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and well.

Pleasing progress

As I approach the end of my first full term as Headteacher of Ysgol Clywedog, I write this letter with a real sense of pride and gratitude. The hard work and commitment shown by staff and students to make our school better every day has been so encouraging to see.

As you will read in our second Newsletter of the year, it has also been a busy and fulfilling term in terms of activities that take place away from the traditional classroom. Not every event has made the publication but I hope it provides a flavour of the whole school experience at Ysgol Clywedog. If your child has not yet become involved with an after school or enrichment activity, please encourage them to take part, as we will to

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Personal Development - Houses

I am delighted to announce the launch of our four new Houses (think Harry Potter) to encourage excitement, competition and teamwork across the school. See the newsletter for more information

Rewards

Young people will make mistakes and receiving sanctions is a part of the learning process. However, in our quest to "catch students being good", our rewards system in school continues to grow in both popularity and appeal. Read about the rewards that are currently trending in our update in the Newsletter!

Uniform.

I continue to be pleased with the standard of school uniform being worn across the school so thank you for your valuable support in this. However, continued wearing of trainers (Converse trainers in particular), skirts worn at an inappropriate length and excessive jewellery cannot be accepted. Being in the correct PE kit is also important, in particular the PE top.

The school blazer continues to be compulsory (the jumper is optional) and hoodies should not be brought to school at all. I would encourage you once again to provide your child with a standard coat/jacket that fits easily and comfortably over the school blazer. Please be advised that continued breaking of our uniform policy may lead to students being sent home to change in the new year.

If you know in advance that your child will arrive in school unable to be in full school uniform, please provide a dated note, which is short and brief and explains the situation.

Parking/Entering the school premises

A number of near misses and potential accidents have been reported recently because drivers are not following the one-way system in operation in our car park. Please ensure that you follow the signs and keep your speed to a minimum to keep our students, staff and visitors safe.

Christmas Eve - free food for all

Please read in our newsletter about the fantastic offer for Offa residents

New term

All students return to school on Tuesday 10th January.

Finally, I wish for you a merry Christmas and happy New Year

Yours sincerely

Mr A Otero

Headteacher

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