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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rhienni

School App

I would just like to remind parents about our School App, if you have not already downloaded the app please see attached for more information.

This is proving popular with parents who have installed it on their devices already. Newsletters are entered under the news icon. Dates are entered under the calendar icon, and what is proving to be really useful for parents is the reminder that is automatically on your phone the day before.

Schoolcomms Online Payment system

Many parents are using an online payment system, and have said that it is straight forward. If you were to have a problem it is probably down to school not holding the correct email address/mobile phone number for you.

- ❖ It is also very useful as you are able to keep track of the dinners that your child has actually taken and the payments you have made.
- ❖ You are also able to pay for snacks and school trips.
- ❖ Parents can pay any time 24-7.
- ❖ It is much more secure than sending in cash, any cash or cheques sent into school must be in a sealed envelope with your child's name on and what the cash is for.
- ❖ It saves on admin time.
- ❖ Please see over for instructions on what you need to do.

School Safety

Parking - We do have a school car park which is situated opposite the school. Please use this whenever possible. At times it is busy at school but **please can you refrain from parking outside the school gates or on the yellow lines opposite school, as it can put a child's safety at risk.** This is occasionally monitored by the Community Police Officer.

Educational Visit to Techniquet, Wrexham – Years 5 & 6 only, Thursday 22nd September.

- ❖ Years 5 & 6 are going to Techniquet in Wrexham for a lab skills day.
- ❖ On Thursday 22nd September 2016.
- ❖ They will be transported by Eagles & Crawford Coaches.
- ❖ They will be leaving School at 9.20 and will be back by 2.30pm approx.
- ❖ They will be accompanied by Mr Williams and other members of staff.
- ❖ Children will need to bring **a packed lunch**
- ❖ Children will need to **wear school uniform**
- ❖ There is no cost for this visit as this has been funded by Techniquet.
- ❖ Please note the fire safety workshop does generate smoke from the matches and children with asthma should have their **inhalers close by.**
- ❖ Please complete and return the attached Form B to school to enable your child to go on the visit.



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Mold Alun School open day is on Monday 26th September, 6.30pm – 8.30pm.

- ❖ Years 5 & 6 are also going to the Alun on Friday 23rd September, 9.30am – 11am for a tour of the school with Mr Ellis, Head of Year 7.
- ❖ If anyone can help with lifts please can they let a member of staff know

P.E

- ❖ Junior P.E is on Mondays, and Thursdays (this sometimes changes depending on the weather)
- ❖ Foundation Phase P.E is on Wednesdays, and sometimes Fridays.
- ❖ Please can children leave their PE kits in school and only take them home if they need washing.

Foundation Phase reading days are on Mondays and Thursdays

Swimming – Juniors only

A contribution of £2 per visit would be appreciated towards the cost of lessons and transport. Elaine has set up an account on the school gateway, as we are going 5 times the total amount is £10.

If pupils could come to school with their swim wear under their school uniform it would be appreciated as the lessons start at 9.15 we are on a very tight schedule and it will save time and the children will be able to spend more time in the swimming pool.

Water bottles

Please can children bring their own water bottle into school with just water in. We do have a water cooler in school where they can top up their bottles.

School dinners tomorrow Thursday 15th September will be:

- ❖ Pizza, wedges, beans or Italian pasta (cheese/tomato sauce)
- ❖ Garlic bread
- ❖ Ice cream or fruit bags.

St Mary's Church, Nercwys are selling raffle tickets to raise funds for the Church. They have asked me if I can send a book home. Tickets are £1 each if you are able to buy a ticket thank you; if not please can you return the unsold (and sold) tickets to school by 3rd October. The draw will take place after the quilt festival.

Yours sincerely / Yr eiddoch yn gywir

Janet Meaden, Headteacher



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