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Dear Parents and Carers



# **NEWSLETTER**

#### Welcome!

It was so lovely to welcome the students back to school after the summer break and to have contact with families again. We had missed you all! It has been a very wet and rainy first week back. The students have coped so well with the change in their routine from holiday to school. We wanted to say an especially warm welcome to our new students and families. We have really enjoyed getting to know you all this week. The children have all been amazing and settled into school wonderfully well!

### **Spare Clothes**

If you have any spare clothes (particularly for secondary age pupils) which your child has grown out of we would be grateful for trousers/joggers, clean pants and socks. Accidents happen, and we have needed many more spare clothes this week than we had in school. If you can send some in to the office, we would be grateful.

# **Pupil Information**

If you have changed your telephone number/email address/home address in recent weeks, please ensure you inform us straight away so we can update our records to ensure we have the correct information on file.

#### Seesaw

We have had a few technical issues with Seesaw this week. Some of the teacher accounts are not working fully and we are trying to put this right. If you have not yet heard from the teacher – do not panic, they haven't forgotten you, we are trying to get it sorted out. In the meantime, please call school if you want to pass on any messages or speak to a staff member. Apologies, we hope to have it sorted soon.

#### **ASDAN Success**

Many congratulations to all of our students who completed their ASDAN qualifications at the end of last year. We were so proud of our students who received their awards for Transition Challenge, New Horizons and Personal Progress. Well done to them all, they worked so hard!

#### **Building works and development**

Richard Hennah, our fantastic Operational Business Manager, has been very busy over the summer break. He has project managed improvements to areas of the school which will make a real difference to students. We have new windows and doors around the primary yard. There is a new surface under the wheelchair swing and a new surface in Aderyn's garden. We also have a new darkroom facility which has been completed over the summer.

We will send photos of the finished projects in future newsletters.

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# **Coffee Mornings**

Our parent/carers coffee mornings will continue each Wednesday morning from 9.30am – 11am on our main site. Everyone is welcome to attend these sessions. Please come along for a chat.

## **Asda Rewards**

We have now registered with Asda Rewards as a school (Maes Ebbw PTA). If you use Asda for your shopping we would be very grateful if you could choose Maes Ebbw as your school of choice for donations. Every new customer who registers for Maes Ebbw, Asda will donate £1.00 and going forward a certain percentage of your bill will also be donated to us (This does not affect your own personal rewards). This is only available until November 30<sup>th</sup>, so the sooner you register the more money we can raise). Please see some screen shots attached.

### Maes Ebbw PSFA

Our PSFA are always looking for new recruits! If you would like to help with fundraising events, etc. please let us know. The PSFA do a tremendous job of raising much needed funds which help to purchase specialised equipment, etc for our pupils.

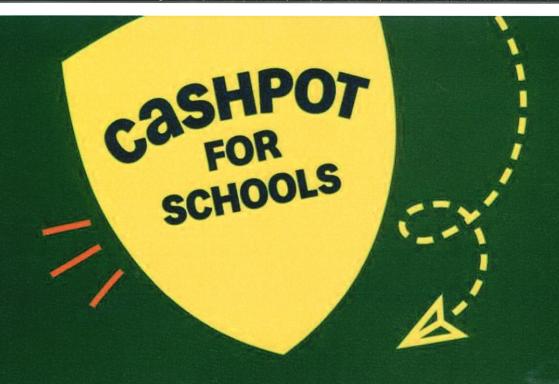
They are continuing to collect the "Dragon Bags" so please send in your old clothes and shoes in a black bag which helps us to raise much needed funds.

Have a lovely relaxing weekend.

Kind Regards

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