

YSGOL CWM BROMBIL

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support throughout this term. We have had a busy start to the year and pupils are continuing to settle into the school. Pupils have been involved in a range of enrichment activities. Please take time to look at the Newsletters on our website.

In order to ensure we all make a strong start to the New Year in January, I would like to draw your attention to some key areas. I would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to read the guidance that follows for each of these areas and reinforce these with your child.

Uniform

- Trousers: We do not accept jeans or any denim style material, even if they
 are black. Neither do we accept leggings or any other trousers that are
 deliberately designed to be tight fitting. Please refer to the uniform booklet
 online if you are unsure.
- **Shoes**: We do allow black leather Converse trainers that closely resemble shoes, to be worn; however, normal black trainers are not allowed.
- Blazers: Blazers have to be worn within and around the school. Jumpers are
 optional and are not to be worn instead of a blazer. Coats are not to be worn
 inside the school building.
- **Jewellery:** Students are not permitted to wear any type of jewellery. If they do so, they will be asked to remove it initially and if there are subsequent issues, it may be confiscated until the end of the day.
- Facial piercings are not permitted: If you are going to allow your child to
 have any piercings, please make sure this is done at the start of the summer
 holidays so that the wounds are healed, allowing the piercing to be removed
 for school. Students with piercings will be asked to remove them before they
 attend their lessons.
- Hair Colour: This should be of natural colour. Bright coloured hair dyes will
 not be permitted and students will be asked to rectify the issue before they
 attend lessons.

If your child attends school in the incorrect uniform, you will be contacted at the start of term and asked for your support in rectifying this before your child returns to lessons.

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Basic Equipment

If students arrive at school without basic equipment, it can disrupt lessons. To address this issue, the essential equipment is listed below. We are selling pencil cases which contain all of this equipment at student services for £3.00.

- 2 black biros
- 2 pencils
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 medium rubber
- 1 clear 12" ruler
- 1 highlighter
- 1 clear protractor
- 1 compass
- scientific calculator

Extra stationary and calculators can be obtained from Student Services in exchange for Classcharts rewards points as well as with money.

Attendance

The school has high expectation of attendance set at 95%. If your child is not in school, please contact the school office every day to inform them of the reason for their absence. If your child's attendance falls below 90% then a warning letter will be issued and their attendance closely monitored.

Pupils are expected to arrive at school by 8:25 in order to be in registration classes by 8:30. If you child arrives late to school, then they may be expected to make up this time after the school day.

As a school, we need to be clear about our expectations to ensure we avoid unnecessary conflict at the start of the new year and to ensure consistency and high standards. While these matters are far from the most important issues that we address in school, we need to ensure that our basic expectations are clearly communicated and respected by all students in our community. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

S. Clarke

<u>Head</u>teacher

Important Dates for Next Term:

January 6th: Inset Day. Pupils return to school on January 7th January 15th and 16th: Parental meetings for Year 11

February 13th: Year 9 Parents Evenings February 24th: Start of Year 11 PPEs March 12th: Year 8 Parents Evening April 2nd: Year 10 Parents Evening

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