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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Ysgol Cwm Brombil is determined to provide the finest education for each pupil in school. As part of the planning for the learning of pupils, we think about the lessons that are studied and the way in which we put groups of pupils into classes.

The curriculum for Year 7 includes sixteen different areas of study as well as all of the extra opportunities in clubs and through other events. This year we took the adventure with the project of *'Exploring Your World: 20 000 Leagues Under The Sea'* and there are other exciting opportunities that will be available during the next four years.

For Year 7, the next stage that we have prepared is to band the pupils to allow maximum progress. There will be three bands in Year 7 from Tuesday January 7th 2020 onwards. The classes in Band X will be A, S, P and I; in Band Y they will be B, E, L and C; and in Band Z the class will be H. The bands will be based on the current work and attainment of each pupil. The banding will ensure that every pupil is challenged to excel and each pupil will be supported to make progress. The speed of working and amount of extra support will depend on the band of classes.

In each band the pupils will experience the same areas of learning and experience. In each band of classes the pupils will be challenged and supported. The banding will be decided by the classwork of the pupils since September and a standardised test.

The banding will allow the teachers and other staff to work with the children at a pace that is right for the child and with support that is of the correct type. All of the forms groups will remain. So pupils will retain their friends and support networks in school.

Please address any questions to Mr Burden (Deputy Headteacher) or to Mrs Tomkins (Head of Year 7).

Yours sincerely,
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