**Dear Parent/Guardian,**

Croeso nôl! Welcome back after our summer break. I hope you are well, and ready for a brand new term!

**Topics**

This term we will be exploring the idea that the past has influenced the present and will continue to influence the future, with Wales as the context. As ever, our plans are open to change following the pupils’ interest along the way. We will hopefully create a Welsh learner magazine to read and learn about all things Wales and Welsh.

**Numeracy**

Numeracy skills will be incorporated throughout the pupils’ lessons as well as their daily maths sessions every morning. In maths we will start by looking at place value and computations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and the different recording ways, both formal and informal. Children will also be given **times tables based work** to learn on a Friday, for the following Friday.

**Literacy – Reading and Spelling Practise at home with an adult**

In English throughout this topic we will look to read and learn about Welsh Mabinogion and legends. During the course of the week, we ask that children read at least three times (of about 10-20 minutes depending on their age and ability). Please ask for more details if you are unsure, or if you require any more information on your child’s reading. Pupils may bring a book home from school or read ones of their choice. ***Children will be asked to show this evidence on a Monday morning with an adult having signed their red reading records. Pupils will receive a stamp if they can show evidence they have been reading at home. These stamps accumulate to a Bydi Bwrdd. If an adult has not signed their reading record the child will be given the option to stay in at breaktime to read and earn a stamp this way.***

On Fridays, your child will be given a list of **spellings** – either individual spelling mistakes or some common spelling patterns. Spellings will be tested each Friday morning.***They will be rewarded for practising spellings at home with a Bydi Bwrdd also. If they have not practised at home the child will be given the option to stay in at breaktime to practise and earn a stamp this way.***

***PE/FS/Munud Meddylgar/Mindful Moments/Nofio***

We will continue with Forest Schools on Tuesday afternoons starting next Tuesday September 13th. Pupils are to come suitably dressed. Munud Meddylgaer/Mindful Moments will feed into Forest Schools and other parts of the week. Pupils should come to school dressed in the directed PE kits ready for PE which will continue to be held on Thursdays. Mrs Nia Massey will teach the pupils RE and PE on Thursdays. Swimming will continue on Fridays, beginning 16th September.

**Snack**

Pupils can either bring in their own piece of fruit or choose not to eat snack. Please provide your child with a drink for the day.

Please see the main school newsletter for other important dates. To ensure looking after uniform please could you write names in school jumpers/cardigans.

If you need any more information, or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation.

Miss H Parkinson