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BWLETIN I RIENI / BULLETIN FOR PARENTS: Hydref / October 2016

Annwyl Riant/Gwarcheidwad,

Ysgrifennaf atoch efo Tymor yr Hydref bellach wedi cycwhyn i rannu gwybodaeth am rhai o'r digwyddiadau sydd ar y gweill. Gallwch gadw yn gyfredol efo newyddion a digwyddiadau yr ysgol drwy'n safwe: http://ysgoldyffrynconwy.org/newyddion.html a'n cyfrif Twitter: **@ysgdyffrynconwy.** Mae gwybodaeth bellach hefyd ar gael yn y rhan diogel ar y safwe:

Enw defnyddiwr: **rhieniydc**
Cyfrinair: **dyffrynconwy**

Yn barod mae llawer i'w llongyfarch ein disgyblion rhwng canlyniadau arbennig Haf 2016, Seremoni Gwobrwyo Blynyddol a digwyddiadau megis diwrnod gwisg eu hun (codwyd dros £500 at elusen 'Jeans for Genes' a Macmillan) a rhai o lwyddiannu cychwynnol timau pel droed a rugby, marchogaeth a kayak yr ysgol. Rydym hefyd wedi cael y cyfle i groesawu blwyddyn 6 y dalgylch atym am eu diwrnod blasu cyntaf – edrychwn ymlaen i'w gweld yma eto ar gyfer perfformiad cyntaf o'n sioe Gerdd '**Grease**' ym mis Rhagfyr.

Atodaf gopi o ddyddiadau'r tymor, dyddiadau nosweithiau rhieni a nosweithiau gwybodaeth ynghyd a digwyddiadau eraill dros y tymor gan gynnwys yr amserlen gweithgareddau allgyrsiol. Diolchwn ymlaen llaw i chi am eich cefnogaeth i'r gweithgareddau hyn. Mae Conwy wedi adnabod camgymeriad yn y dyddiadau tymor maent wedi eu rhannu efo ysgolion ac sydd wedi bod ar eu safwe. O ganlyniad i hynny gallaf gadarnhau y newidiadau canlynol i'r calendr blwyddyn:

Tymor yr Hydref: **yn gorffen i bawb ar ddydd Gwener y 16eg, dim HMS ar y 19eg o Rhagfyr**
Tymor yr Haf: **yn gorffen i ddisgyblion ar ddydd Iauyr 20fed o Gorffennaf a HMS ar ddydd Gwener yr 21ain o Orffennaf.**
Ymddiheurwn am y newid ar ran yr Awdurdod Lleol. Atodaf gopi diwygiedig o ddyddiadau o bwys yr ysgol.

Rydym hefyd yn edrych ymlaen yn fawr iawn at berfformiad Sioe Gerdd '**Grease**' eleni. Mae'r clyweliadau wedi digwydd a'r ymarfer wedi cychwyn. Bydd y perfformiad ymlaen ar nos Fawrth, nos Fercher a nos Iau olaf y tymor (13-15.12.16).

Diolch i chi hefyd am eich cefnogaeth i'r gwisg ysgol –mae'r mwyafrif helaeth o'r disgyblion yn dilyn y polisi yn llawn ac yn gwisgo y gwisg cywir. Gofynwn am eich cefnogaeth wrth i ni ymateb i'r mân ochosion o wisg anghywir e.e. gwisgo leggins neu jeans du yn hytrach na trowsus du i'r ysgol, a disgyblion sydd ddim yn dilyn y polisi o ran gemwaith. Gallwch ddarllen y polisi yn llawn yn ein prospectws diweddaraf ar y safwe.

Mae ein presenoldeb yn parhau yn uchel a gyda'ch cefnogaeth parhaus gallwn anelu i gyrraedd ein targed heriol o 95.5% o bresenoldeb ysgol gyfan dros y flwyddyn hon. I'n cefnogi gofynnwn i chi hysbysu yr ysgol o unrhyw absenoldeb, gan gyflwyno tystiolaeth meddygol e.e. cerdyn apwyntiad lle'n briodol. Nid yw'r polisi o ran awdurdodi gwyliau wedi newid. Mae manylion pellach ar y tudalen rheini o'n safwe.

Hyderaf y bydd hon yn flwyddyn brysur a llwyddiannus iawn unwaith eto i ni fel ysgol wrth i ni ymateb i newidiadau yng Nghwricwlwm Cymru gan gynnwys newidiadau yn y mwyafrif o pynciau TGAU a Lefel A. Mae'r disgyblion a staff wrthi yn gweithio yn galed iawn ac edrychwn ymlaen yn fawr at ddathlu llwyddiannau ein

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disgyblion yn eu arholiadau wrth dderbyn canlyniadau TGAU a Lefel A ym mis Awst nesaf. Byddwn yn cynnal noson gwybodaeth i rieni blwyddyn 10 ac 11 ar nos Fawrth y 18fed o Hydref er mwyn rhannu gwybodaeth bellach am y cyrsiau TGAU. Mi fydd cwmni Learning Performance yno ar y noson hefyd yn cynnal sesiynau ar cefnogi sgiliau astudio ac adolygu disgyblion. Mae'r cwmni wedi bod yn gweithio efo ni fel ysgol ers dros 5 mlynedd bellach ac wedi bod yn ran allweddol o'n llwyddiant i wella safonau.

Edrychwn ymlaen at barhau ein partneriaeth efo chi dros y flwyddyn gan ddiolch o flaen llaw i chi am eich cefnogaeth parhaus.

Yn gywir,

Miss Elan Davies [Pennaeth]

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

I write with the autumn term now in full swing to share with you some of the activities ahead this term. You can keep abreast of our school news through the school website: http://ysgoldyffrynconwy.org/newyddion.html and through our Twitter account: **@ysgdyffrynconwy.** Further information is also available in the secure parents' section of the website:

Username: **rhieniydc**
Password: **dyffrynconwy**

Already we have a lot to celebrate and to congratulate our students between the excellent results this Summer, our recent Awards Ceremony, and events such as our recent own clothes day where pupils raised over £500 towards the two charities 'Jeans for Genes' and Macmillan Cancer Care. Our pupils have also begun to gain success in sporting activities including football and rugby matches, equestrian events and kayaking. We have also have the chance to welcome our year 6 pupils from the catchment area for their first taster day – we look forward to seeing them again later this term for the first performance of our school musical, '**Grease**' in December.

A copy of the term's dates, parents evenings and open evenings is attached along with some of the other events for the rest of the Autumn term and our extracurricular activities programme. We thank you in advance for your support for these events. Conwy Authority have alerted us to a mistake in their published term dates for 2016/17. As a result I can confirm the following changes to our term dates for 2016/17:

Autumn Term: **Ends for all on Friday the 16th of December. No INSET on the 19th of December.**
Summer Term: **Ends on Thursday the 20th of July. INSET on Friday 21st of July.**
We appologise for the changes made on behalf of the authority. An ammended copy of our term dates is attached.

We are very much looking forward to the performances of 'Grease' in the last week of term, with the auditions behind us and the practising begun, the nights of the 13th to the 15th of December look to be an enjoyable and exciting treat!

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I would like to thank you for your support of the school uniform – the vast majority of pupils are folowing the policy in full. We ask for your support in ensuring that pupils continue to wear the correct uniform, for example black trousers not jeans or leggins; and that they follow the policy on jewellery. A coy of the full policy can be found in the latest version of our school prospectus on our website.

Our whole school attendance has remained high with a whole school average of 95% over the year. With our support we can reach our challenging target of 95.5% of attendance over this year. To help us we ask you to let us know about any absence over the year, providing us with medical evidence where relevant such as appointment cards/letters. The authority's policy regarding authorising holidays remains the same – in exceptional circumstances only. Further information can be found on the 'Parents' section of our website.

I know that this will be another busy and successful year for us as a school as we respond to the changes in the curriculum in Wales, including changes to most A Level and GCSE subjects. Our pupils and staff are working very hard to respond to these changes and we look forward to celebrating their successes next August when the next GCSE and A Level Results are released. We will be holding an information evening for year 10 and 11 parents on the 18th of October in order to share information about the GCSE courses and pathways. The professional study skills company 'Learning Performance' who have supported us for the last 5 years will be there on the evening to run a workshop on how to support pupils' study and revision skills. They have been a key part of our strategy for improvement over the last 5 years and the success of pupils at both GCSE and A Level.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with you over the next year. I thank you in advance for your continued support of us as a school.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Elan Davies
[Pennaeth]

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DYDDIAU ALLWEDDOL A DIGWYDDIADAU / KEY DATES and EVENTS: Hydref 2016 / Autumn 2016

Hydref/October:

3/10/16 – Diwrnod Ymweliad 1 disgyblion blwyddyn 6 / Year 6 Visit Day

4/10/16 – Noson Agored i Ddisgybliona Rhieni Blwyddyn 5 a 6: 4.30 – 6.30pm / Year 5 and 6 Pupil and Parents' Open Evening: **4.30 – 6.30pm**

6/10/16 – Diwrnod Sgiliau i ddisgyblion – gweithgareddau amrywiol yn ystod y dydd gan gynnwys Taith i Cynhadledd Sgiliau i flwyddyn 10 a 12 yn Venue Cymru, Gweithdy Sgiliau Astudio ac UCAS i flwyddyn 13, Gweithdai ABCh neu Gyrfaoedd i flwyddyn 7-9, a **Ffug Arholiad TGAU Rhifedd i flwyddyn 11** / Skills Day for pupils – range of activities including a visit to Venue Cymru's annual Skills Day for years 10 and 12, Study Skills and UCAS workshops for year 13, PSHE or Careers workshops for years 7-9, and **Mock Numeracy GCSE Exam for year 11**

18/10/16 – **Noson Gwybodaeth i rieni CA4** blynyddol yn cynnwys sesiwn gan cwmni 'Learning Performance' ar cefnogi sgiliau astudio ac adolygu disgyblion: 5.15 – 6.45pm / **Annual Information Evening for KS4 parents** including session from Learning Performance on supporting pupils' study and revision skills: 5.15 - 6.45pm

21/10/16 – HMS / INSET

Tachwedd/November:

8/11/16 – Noson Gwobrwyo yr Adran Addysg Gorfforol / Physical Education Department Awards Ceremony

15/11/16 – Noson Rhieni Blwyddyn 7 efo Tiwtoriaid ac Uwch Dim Rheoli: 4-6pm / Year 7 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors and Senior Management: **4-6pm**

18/11/16 – Plant Mewn Angen – Diwrnod gwisg eu hun / Children in Need – own clothes day (£1)

29/11/16 – Noson Rhieni Blwyddyn 9 – 4-6pm / Year 9 Parents' Evening 4-6pm

Rhagfyr/December:

Ffug Arholiadau i flwyddyn 10, 11, 12 a 13 (pynciau penodol) diwedd wythnos 28/11/16 hyd 8/12/16 i flwyddyn 10 ac 11 ac wythnos y 5ed a 12fed i flwyddyn 12 a 13 / **Mock exams** for years 10, 11, 12 and 13 (specific subjects)end of the week 28/11/16 until 8/12/16 for years 10 and 11 and the week of the 5th and 12th for years 12 and 13.

9/12/16 – Diwrnod Cyfweliadau unigol blwyddyn 11 mewn partneriaeth â busnesau a chyflogwyr lleol / Annual year 11 interviews day in partnership with local busneses and employers

13/14/15.12.16 – Sioe Gerdd: **Gris** / School Musical: **Grease**

16/12/16 – Lluniau dosbarth ac unigolion ar gyfer disgyblion blwyddyn 11 a 13 / Class and individual photos for years 11 and 13 (Tempest)

16/12/16 - Annual Christmas Service in the school hall / Gwasanaeth Nadolig blynyddol yn neuadd yr ysgol

16/12/16 – Diwedd y tymor/ End of term.

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DYDDIADAU O BWYS 2016 – 2017 IMPORTANT DATES

GWYLIAU YSGOL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Tymor yr Hydref		**Autumn Term**
Hyfforddiant Mewn Swydd	**01/09/16 + 02/09/16**	**Staff Training Day**
agor	05/09/16	open
cau	20/10/16	close
Hyfforddiant Mewn Swydd	**21/10/16**	**Staff Training Day**
agor	31/10/16	open
cau	16/12/16	close
Tymor y Gwanwyn		**Spring Term**
agor	03/01/17	open
cau	17/02/17	close
agor	27/02/17	open
cau	06/04/17	close
Hyfforddiant Mewn Swydd	**07/04/17**	**Staff Training Day**
Tymor yr Haf		**Summer Term**
agor	24/04/17	open
Dydd Gwyl Fai	01/05/17	May Day
agor	02/05/17	open
cau	26/05/17	close
agor	05/06/17	open
cau	20/07/17	close
Hyfforddiant Mewn Swydd	21/07/17	**Staff Training Day**

Dyddiadau HMS / INSET Days 2016/2017

DIWRNOD/DAY	DYDDIAD/DATE	MATH/TYPE
IAU/THURSDAY	01/09/2016	YSGOL/SCHOOL
GWENER/FRIDAY	02/09/2016	YSGOL/SCHOOL
GWENER/FRIDAY	21/10/2016	YSGOL/SCHOOL
GWENER/FRIDAY	07/04/2017	YSGOL/SCHOOL
GWENER/FRIDAY	21/07/2017	YSGOL/SCHOOL

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AMSERLEN ADRODDIADAU A NOSWEITHIAU RHIENI 2016/17 PARENTS' EVENINGS AND REPORTS CALENDAR			
	NOSON RHIENI PARENTS' EVENING Nos Fawrth/Tuesday	ADRODDIADAU INTERIM REPORTS	ADRODDIADAU LLAWN FULL REPORTS
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 7	15/11/16 27/6/17	14/11/16	26/6/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 8	28/3/17	14/3/17 12/12/16	17/7/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 9	29/11/16 14/3/17	28/11/16 14/3/17	10/7/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 10	25/4/17	12/12/16	3/4/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 11	17/1/17	21/10/16	10/1/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 12	14/2/17	12/12/16	7/2/17
BLWYDDYN / YEAR 13	14/2/17	21/10/16	7/2/17

Nosweithiau Rhieni eraill / Other Parents' Evenings:

NOSON AGORED BL. 5 a 6 / YR. 5 and 6 OPEN EVENING	4/10/16
NOSON AGORED 6ED DOSBARTH / 6TH FORM OPEN EVENING	24/1/17
NOSON OPSIYNAU BL. 9 / YR. 9 OPTIONS EVENING	14/3/17

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Er gwybodaeth/For your information: Presenoldeb/Attendance

Amcangyfrif o'r nifer o ddyddiau a gwersi a gollwyd

Approximate number of days and lessons missed

Canran / Percentage	Diwrnodau / Days	Gwersi / Lessons
98%	4	24
95%	10	60
90%	19	114
80%	38	228
75%	48	288
65%	67	402

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