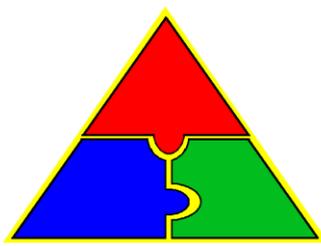


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Dear Parent/ Carer,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. This newsletter almost sees us at the end of a very busy half term.

This week the children welcomed our Don't Touch Tell visitor into school who talked to the children about 'Don't Drink, Think'. The children enjoyed this and learnt lots about the dangers of alcohol and making sure they tell a trusted adult if they see any suspicious items lying around. Y6 have also been on a very exciting trip to Xplore to learn about coding and controlling robots. Thank you to the STEM project for supporting this learning.

We also welcomed a visit from a member of staff at Ysgol Yr Hafod to our forest school this week. Mr Green and his pupils were out working busily in the area.

Our Year 5 pupils have been busy applying for jobs as mini police officers and we have had the great news that all 21 candidates have been successful in progressing to the interview stage which will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November- we are very proud of them all!

Our 'Physical Friday' sessions have been running weekly, weather permitting- during these sessions our 'Champions' have the opportunity to meet in their teams to use their pupil voice in matters important to them about their school.

Year 5/6 have been busy designing and making rovers which would be suitable to land on Mars! We have had some ingenious creations and the Spectrum project has been into school working alongside Years 1, 3/4 and 5 which has been of great value to our pupils.

I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to one of our local community members Paul Edwards. Paul and his friend Paul wanted to raise money for the local schools by walking over 50 miles. Through their hardwork and determination our children now benefit from a very generous donation of £1,030 of which we are extremely thankful. If you would like to follow Paul's journey he can be found on You-tube and on Facebook. Next Friday Paul will be coming into school to talk to the juniors about his fund-raising adventures. We know that Paul will inspire the children to want to do more for their community by showing acts of kindness that can only benefit others.

Our first ever entrepreneurship event is happening today-the 21<sup>st</sup> October. Dosbarth Yr Wyddfa will be selling chocolate apples and pears picked from our very own orchard in Siop y Mynydd between 3-3.30pm. This project has been run entirely by the children from advertising the sale to creating the products. All profits and losses will be calculated by the children and the funds raised will be added to the pupil's bank account. This will in turn benefit their teaching and learning experiences and support them on their path to becoming enterprising and creative contributors.

More exciting news.....This week we have launched the 'Supercap' throughout the school. This is awarded to pupils who have exceeded expectation! Our pupils will wear the 'Supercap' for others to see and to receive compliments from their peers. It is a lovely way of celebrating pupil achievement as every pupil can reach this goal. Parents/carers will get a positive phone-call home and the pupils will have their photographs displayed on our 'Superwall'. Keep a look out on twitter too!

Whole school attendance for this week is 89.94%.

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

Kind regards,

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Kay Pritchard (Acting Headteacher)