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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the school year is soon drawing to a close I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents/carers of school expectations of pupils and parents who attend Ysgol Cefn Mawr.

I am extremely lucky to have a very dedicated staff and governors at the school who work tirelessly to provide exciting and creative learning opportunities for our pupils. Please support them to be able to do their best by supporting and respecting our school rules. As we go through life there are lots of rules to follow. The sooner children accept that the easier their life will become. No matter what school your child attends Primary or Secondary there will be rules and expectations.

Our aim is develop the maximum learning potential of each pupil as they continue their journey through the school. All children are individuals and start at different levels. During our recent Estyn inspection our school was highly praised for its work. We can only do so much at school and the success of each child also depends on the partnership between home and school. The learning journey starts from the moment your child is born. I thoroughly enjoy working with your children and only want the best for them and to support them to be the best they can be.

As a school we expect all learners to be <u>Ready, Respectful and Safe</u> - which means ready for school dressed in <u>full school uniform</u> daily which is a red jumper/cardigan, grey trousers, skirt or shorts, green polo shirt and black shoes/trainers. PE kit days - from September White T-shirt/black or blue shorts/trainers - no coloured t-shirts will be permitted from September.

Wearing uniform is expected all through education up to the age of 16, this gives a sense of belonging and stops school being a fashion statement. Also this prepares our young people for the world of work which often has a uniform and a dress code to be followed.

**Ready** also means arriving at school <u>on time</u>, ready for the day and not missing registration and lessons. This is also preparing children for the world of work and having good routines for life. Ready for school can be supported at home by ensuring your child has a filled <u>water</u> bottle and a <u>healthy snack</u> (yogurt, fruit or cheese) daily and their dinner is **pre ordered on parent pay** for the week.



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Also ensure your child has **brought their reading book/homework** to school - a child who has regular **reading practice at home** will thrive at school, poor literacy skills will hold back a child's development and they will struggle in other subjects. It is so important from Reception that regular reading is done at home to support the teaching at school.

<u>Respectful</u> - using <u>good manners</u> to all in the school community in and around the school and school grounds. Treat people how you would like to be treated. This applies to all people on the school site and applies to parents as well, you are your child's role model.

<u>Safe</u> - <u>Informing</u> school of your child's <u>absence</u> before 9.15am via the school office or dojo. <u>Supporting our card system</u> to promote positive behaviour. Supporting our school rule – hands to self/kind hands.

Promoting calm behaviour and encouraging your child to <u>seek support from school staff</u> if they are worried or upset.

As you will have read over the past year and since covid there has been a lot of negative press about the decline of behaviour from young people across the country. I have been working in education for 32 years and with **consistent messages between home and school** we can support our young people to have a bright future.

I and the governors at Ysgol Cefn Mawr would appreciate your support in following our school rules and working as a partnership.

There is so much to celebrate at school, your young people are the future and they deserve the best.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs A Green Headteacher Mrs C Jones Chair of Governors









