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***...Together we achieve.....Cyflawni gyda'n gilydd...***

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Annwyl Rhieni

Croeso'n ol! Welcome back!

I hope everyone had a fantastic Easter break. It has been great hearing from different children what they have been up to during the holidays and we're hoping this lovely weather stays with us for some time too!

On the note of warmer weather we have been discussing with the children about the need to keep safe in the sun. We reminded the children of the following:

- The need for their own water bottle in school every day [named please]
- Sun hats
- Sun cream- to use their own cream before lunchtimes/ PE sessions.

We are not at school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May [May Bank Holiday] and therefore school returns on Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup> for everyone.

**VE Day Celebration Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

To celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Victory in Europe Day on 8<sup>th</sup> May, we will planning various activities here at Frongoch and we will be allowing children to come into school dressed in clothing reflective of the period or in the colours of the British flag- red, white and blue.

**World of Work week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> May**

We will be hosting a World of Work week again here this year after the great success of last year's World of Work week. We have already booked some members of the local community to come into school for this week. If you would like to volunteer to come into school during this week to speak to the children about your work and the skills needed for your work, please contact the school office to arrange a convenient time. We are welcoming ANY careers to shed some insight into what is involved in the World of Work.

**Ms Dumayne**

On a very hot day, Ms Dumayne managed to complete the London Marathon last Sunday in a fantastic time of under 5 hours and 50 minutes. She hit her fundraising target of £2,000 for her Type 1 Diabetes Charity



[T1D] too! Huge congratulations to Ms Dumayne from everyone here at Frongoch and again thanks to everyone who donated to this very worthwhile charity.

#### **Year 4 Chester Zoo trip**

Next Wednesday, our Year 4 children will be heading off to Chester Zoo for their trip. I'm sure they will have a fantastic time and we look forward to hearing their stories on their return! Year 5 pupils are to attend school as normal.

#### **Attendance, Punctuality and term time holidays**

As you know, good attendance is vital for your child to make the most of their time in education. We monitor attendance closely and try to work closely with families to support any child whose attendance is of a concern.

Traditionally, the Summer term sees a rise in Holidays being taken during term time. Please note that for any absence parents/ carers need to complete an absence request form – please contact the office for one. No term time holidays will be authorised. Should the school have any concerns about your child/ren's attendance we will make contact with you early to discuss a support plan, in order to improve their punctuality/attendance.

A Fixed Penalty Notice Warning letter may be issued at 5 days unauthorised absence, and the Fixed Penalty Notice may be issued at 10 days unauthorised absence.

When filling out Absence Request Forms, it is important for parents/carers to add as much information as possible. An example would be for family weddings- please add where the wedding is to take place and the day of the wedding as this informs decisions regarding any potential authorised/unauthorised days.

It is also worth noting that the school day starts here at Frongoch at 8.45am and good punctuality is essential in allowing your child to come into school settled and ready for the school day ahead. Any child arriving after 9.15am [ie 30 minutes late] is marked down as an Unauthorised Absence.

#### **Outdoor Learning**

Today, all children have had the opportunity to partake in some outdoor learning sessions alongside Mrs N Smith from Learning through Landscapes. The children enjoyed being creative with various equipment to complete challenges and having a go at Hapa Zome, a Japanese printing technique. Many thanks to Mrs Smith for the time she has spent with us, demonstrating activities and helping us to build our outdoor provision for the children at Ysgol Frongoch.

With very best wishes

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