

TOGETHER ASPIRE, TOGETHER ACHIEVE

Headteacher / Prifathro: Ms C-A Morris

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Friday 21st February 2025 / Dydd Gwener 21 Chwefror 2025

Dear Parent/Carer / Annwyl Riant/Gofalwr

End of half term Headteacher's update

As we head into the February half term I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you some celebrations, reminders and key dates for the rest of the spring term. As always, I would like to thank pupils, parents/carers and our whole school community for your continued support as we guide your children through their school journey.

Our pupils gave us many reasons to celebrate this half term. Da iawn to our DigiMag pupils who secured two interviews with MP Henry Tufnell and Rt Revd Dorrien Davies, Bishop of St David's Cathedral. A very well done to a group of our Year 9 pupils who attended the SEREN Debate competition and did a fantastic job showcasing their persuasive oracy skills and wowed the judges. Two of our young pupils attended the full committee meeting at the Chamber to share their thoughts on the Education Directorate's mobile phone policy and the impact it has had on our school. We also celebrated our u16 hockey team who made it all the way to the Welsh Finals and came in the top 8, this is the first time this age group has made it this far and the whole school is extremely proud of the team.

I would again like to thank parents/carers for continuing to support and encourage our pupils to follow our high expectations and school rules of READY, RESPECT, SAFE. This includes arriving at school on time, wearing the correct <u>uniform</u>, being respectful to staff and peers and continuing with positive <u>behaviour</u>.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of attendance. It is important that your child attends school regularly in order to get the most out of the education that is being provided. We appreciate your support in ensuring that your child makes every effort to attend school regularly.

Over the last few terms we have noticed an increase in the number of pupils attending school without the correct equipment. There is a basic list of equipment that your child must bring to school each day to ensure they can access and complete work to the best of their abilities. Please ensure that your child attends school each day with the following equipment: school bag, pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, calculator, mathematics equipment such as protractor, compass etc, a water bottle and a fully charged Chromebook if they have one.

We have so many events planned over the next half term that we hope to see you for. So that you don't miss out on opportunities to attend school events we have listed some key dates below for next term. These are listed in your <u>parent calendar</u>, but please continue to check our <u>website</u>, <u>social media</u> which we will keep up to date regularly. Some key dates to keep in mind are:

- Monday 3rd March- Friday 14th March Year 10 Exams
- Monday 3rd March Family Forum
- Monday 3rd March Year 9 Reports Sent Home
- Wednesday 5th March Numeracy Night- Super Shapes- 4pm-5pm
- Wednesday 5th March Cluster Annual Welsh Concert 6pm-8pm
- Thursday 6th March Year 9 Options Evening 4.30pm-6.30pm
- Thursday 6th March World Book Day
- Tuesday 11th March KS4 Revision Reboot 5pm-6pm

- Monday 17th March Parent Surgery 5pm-6pm
- Thursday 20th March Aspire Awards Evening 6:30pm- 8:00pm
- Thursday 3rd April Year 7 Pupil Progress Evening
- Friday 4th April INSET DAY 5

Reminder on Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding safeguarding of pupils during the holidays and wish to report this, please contact the Childcare Assessment Team (CCAT) on 01437 776444 or 03003 332222 for out of hours. Alternatively, please call the police on 101.

You would also be able to report your concern by emailing Milford Haven School via the following email - Safeguarding@milfordhavenschool.co.uk. The email address is checked once each day.

Finally, I would like to wish you an enjoyable, restful and safe February half term. We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 3rd March 2025.

Yours faithfully/Gyda diolch

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Ms C A Morris, Headteacher