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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you have enjoyed a restful and enjoyable summer break. As we embark on a new academic year, I am delighted to welcome more pupils that ever back to Ysgol Dyffryn Aman. We are excited about the year ahead and the opportunities it brings for learning, growth, and development.

First and foremost, it's been a pleasure to see our new Year 7 join 'Teulu YDA' and it's been great to see them settle in quickly to school routines. I also want to mention the return of Y12 students to our thriving 6th Form, our largest cohort for several years, totalling over 240 pupils in Year 12 & 13. This is a testament to the dedication and commitment of our students and staff, and we are thrilled to support them on the next steps of their academic journey.

Attendance

Regular attendance is crucial for any child's academic success, wellbeing, and overall development. We expect all pupils to attend school every day unless they are unwell or have a valid reason for absence. To notify the school of your child's absence, our preferred method of communication is via the 'report absence' function on Class Charts. If you don't have your login details for Class Charts, please contact the school.

Uniform

Whilst walking the school site and visiting classrooms this week, it has been a pleasure to see pupils wearing their school uniform with pride. I would like to thank you all for your continued support with this as we strive for excellence as a school community. Here is a reminder of the school's expectations regarding uniform. As a supportive measure, we will offer pupils who arrive to school with uniform concerns, clean items to borrow from Hwb Gofal. Pupils have the opportunity before, and during registration time each morning to visit Hwb Gofal to help make sure they are ready to learn. This removes confrontation and ensures pupils' start to the day is as positive as possible. In addition to this I would like to reiterate our expectation as a school community that pupils must wear skirts of an appropriate length. This helps maintain a respectful atmosphere within the school and it encourages our pupils to dress in a manner that is considerate of others and aligns with the school's values.

To contact the school for support with school uniform, please email admin@dyffrynaman.org

ClassCharts app

A helpful reminder that we fully utilise Class Charts as our main platform for communication and information sharing, such as your child's timetable, attendance, homework and positive and negative points. As mentioned above, please email the school on admin@dyffrynaman.org if you require your parental login details.

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Mobile Phone Policy

As you know, we have a firm mobile phone policy at Dyffryn Aman where mobile phones should be out of sight from the time that pupils arrive in the morning to when they leave at the end of the school day. This year, all secondary schools in Carmarthenshire are adopting the same "On site, out of site" policy for mobile phones. Click on this link to receive more information.

Personal Planner

We have re-introduced the Personal Planner this year following feedback from parents, pupils and staff. Pupils are expected to use the planner to make a note of their homework and to monitor their attendance. We kindly ask for a voluntary contribution of £1 towards the planner. This payment is already showing on Parent Pay.

Finally, a reminder of the future INSET days for the remainder of this year.

Friday 24th October 2025	INSET
Monday 5th January 2026	INSET
Monday 22nd June 2026	INSET

As always, thank you in advance for your usual cooperation, and we look forward to the new academic year in the company of all members of Teulu Ysgol Dyffryn Aman.

Yours sincerely,

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Annwyl Rieni a Gwarchodwyr,

Gobeithiaf fod pawb yn cadw'n iawn ac eich bod wedi mwynhau gwyliau haf ymlaciol a phleserus. Wrth i ni gychwyn ar flwyddyn academaidd newydd, mae'n bleser gennyf groesawu mwy o ddisgyblion nag erioed yn ôl i Ysgol Dyffryn Aman. Rydym yn gyffrous am y flwyddyn i ddod a'r cyfleoedd y byddwn yn eu cynnig ar gyfer dysgu, twf a datblygiad.

Yn gyntaf oll, mae wedi bod yn bleser gweld ein disgyblion Blwyddyn 7 newydd yn ymuno â 'Teulu YDA' ac mae wedi bod yn wych eu gweld yn setlo'n gyflym i drefn yr ysgol. Hoffwn hefyd sôn am ddychweliad disgyblion Blwyddyn 12 i'n 6ed Dosbarth, y garfan fwyaf ers sawl blwyddyn, gyda chyfanswm o dros 240 o ddisgyblion ym Mlwyddyn 12 a 13. Mae hyn yn dyst i ymroddiad a gwaith caled ein disgyblion a'n staff, ac rydym yn falch iawn o'u cefnogi wrth iddynt fynd ati i gamau nesaf eu taith academaidd.

Presenoldeb
Mae presenoldeb rheolaidd yn hanfodol ar gyfer llwyddiant academaidd, lles a datblygiad cyffredinol unrhyw blentyn. Disgwyliwn i bob disgybl fynychu'r ysgol bob dydd oni bai eu bod yn sâl neu fod ganddynt reswm dilys dros fod yn absennol. I roi gwybod i'r ysgol am absenoldeb eich plentyn, y ffordd gorau i gyfathrebu yw drwy 'adrodd absenoldeb' ar Class Charts. Os nad oes gennych fanylion mewngofnodi ar gyfer Class Charts, cysylltwch â'r ysgol os gwelwch yn dda.

Gwisg Ysgol
Wrth gerdded safle'r ysgol ac ymweld â dosbarthiadau yr wythnos hon, mae wedi bod yn bleser gweld disgyblion yn gwisgo eu gwisg ysgol gyda balchder. Hoffwn ddiolch i chi i gyd am eich cefnogaeth barhaus gyda hyn wrth i ni ymdrechu am ragoriaeth fel cymuned ysgol. Dyma atgoffa o ddisgwyliadau'r ysgol o ran gwisg. Fel mesur cefnogol, ar gyfer y disgyblion hynny sy'n cyrraedd yr ysgol gyda phryderon ynghylch y wisg ysgol, gallwn gynnig eitemau o safon i'w benthyg o Hwb Gofal. Mae disgyblion yn cael y cyfle cyn ac yn ystod amser cofrestru bob bore i fynd i Hwb Gofal i sicrhau eu bod yn barod i ddysgu. Mae hyn yn dileu gwrthdaro ac yn sicrhau bod dechrau'r diwrnod yn bositif. Yn ychwanegol, hoffwn bwysleisio ein disgwyliad fel cymuned ysgol bod yn rhaid i ddisgyblion wisgo sgertiau o hyd addas. Mae hyn yn cynnal awyrgylch parchus yn yr ysgol ac yn annog ein disgyblion i wisgo mewn modd sy'n ystyriol o eraill ac sy'n cyd-fynd â gwerthoedd yr ysgol.

I gysylltu â'r ysgol am gymorth gyda gwisg ysgol, anfonwch e-bost at admin@dyffrynaman.org

Ap ClassCharts
Hoffwn eich atgoffa ein bod yn defnyddio Class Charts fel ein prif blatfform ar gyfer cyfathrebu a rhannu gwybodaeth, megis amserlen eich plentyn, presenoldeb, gwaith cartref a phwyntiau postitif a negyddol. Fel sydd wedi'i nodi uchod, anfonwch e-bost at yr ysgol admin@dyffrynaman.org os oes angen manylion mewngofnodi Class Charts arnoch.

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Polisi Ffonau Symudol

Fel y gwyddoch, mae gennym bolisi cadarn ar gyfer ffonau symudol yn Nhyffryn Aman lle dylai ffonau symudol fod allan o olwg o'r eiliad y bydd disgyblion yn cyrraedd yn y bore hyd nes eu bod yn gadael ar ddiwedd y diwrnod ysgol. Eleni, mae pob ysgol uwchradd yn Sir Gar yn mabwysiadu'r un polisi "Ffôn o'r Golwg" ar gyfer ffonau symudol. Cliciwch ar y ddolen hon i gael rhagor o wybodaeth.

Trefnydd Personol

Rydym wedi ailgyflwyno'r Trefnydd Personol eleni yn dilyn adborth gan rieni, disgyblion a staff. Disgwylir i ddisgyblion ddefnyddio'r trefnydd i gofnodi eu gwaith cartref ac i fonitro eu presenoldeb. Gofynnwn yn garedig am gyfraniad gwirfoddol o £1 tuag at y trefnydd. Mae'r taliad yma eisoes wedi ymddangos ar Parent Pay.

Yn olaf, hoffwn eich atgoffa o ddyddiadau diwrnodiau HMS sydd i ddod ar gyfer gweddill y flwyddyn hon:

Dydd Gwener 24ain Hydref 2025	HMS
Dydd Llun 5ed Ionawr 2026	HMS
Dydd Llun 22ain Mehefin 2026	HMS

Fel arfer, diolch ymlaen llaw am eich cydweithrediad arferol, ac edrychwn ymlaen at y flwyddyn academaidd newydd yng nghwmni holl aelodau Teulu Ysgol Dyffryn Aman.

Yn gywir,

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