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### Article 3:

**Everyone that works with children should do the best for them**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parent /Carer,

This half term has certainly flown by. It really has been a busy first half term in school, and even though some classes have been affected by illness, it has been good to have minimal disruption to learning. The children are certainly still as happy ending the half term as they were at the start.

#### What's been happening in school?

Last Thursday Year 3 and Year 4 welcomed an actress from 'In Character' to give a solo performance of a play about a Swansea shopkeeper living during the Blitz on Swansea during World War 2. It was a fantastic production which the children thoroughly enjoyed, and linked nicely to their class topic.

Year 5 and Year 6 had a visit from PSCO Jones and Musselwhite who gave a talk about Operation Bang – keeping safe during Hallowe'en and Bonfire Night. I am so proud of the children for how sensible they were during the talk – it is always lovely to receive compliments about our wonderful Cwmnedd Learners.

Last Friday we celebrated the Welsh Language as part of 'Diwrnod Shwmae/Su'mae Day'. The children greeted each other in Welsh, used Welsh around the school and danced to Welsh Language music in the afternoon.

On Monday of this week, we welcomed MPCT Young Leaders in to school to work with Year 5 and Year 6. The company had offered us a free taster session and spent a half day with each of our two older classes. The children worked on developing personal skills, resilience and team building exercises.



#### Spook-tacular Friday

This Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021, our children are able to wear their Hallowe'en Costumes to school for the day so that we can have a fun and freaky Friday before we break up for the half term. This is optional and children do not need money for the day.



#### INSET DAY

Just a reminder that following half term, we have an Inset Day on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021**. The children start back on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 for the new half term.

#### Parent Governor Position

Yesterday was the closing date for us to receive nominations for the position of Parent Governor. We received only one nomination, so I am pleased to announce that **Mrs Lisa Hopkins** will take up her term of office from today as Parent Governor. She has children in Nursery, Year 4 and Year 6, and I am sure will make a positive contribution to our Governing Body.

#### School Questionnaire

Thank you to our families who have had the time to complete our school survey. We truly value your opinions and the results will help us to shape things in our school. I will share the results after the holidays. Survey has now closed.

#### NPT Road Safety Kerbcraft Workshops

Following the half term holiday our Year 2 class will be joined by Lisa Lewis from NPT Road Safety Team every day to engage in Kerbcraft sessions. The activities will take place on our school yard or in the barn. Please can you ensure that your Year 2 child has their coat every day.



### Mini Police Initiative

This week our Year 6 children are completing their applications for the role of Mini Police. PCSO Andrew Jones will be collecting the forms before the end of the week and we will learn who has been selected after the holidays.



### Covid 19 update

I just want to take the opportunity again to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all of our families for being so proactive this term in regards to illness absence and keeping us informed of PCR tests or any positive cases of Covid 19.

We hope that the break over half term will allow a natural firebreak so that everyone in school can be well and ready for the return after half term.

Leading up to the return after half term, it is important that we are all vigilant of any symptoms of Covid 19. Please remember - If your child presents with one of the three main symptoms:

**A new or continuous cough**

**A high temperature**

**A loss of or change to sense of smell or taste**

They **must not** be sent to school and should be tested using a **PCR test** at a testing centre.

An inform letter will be sent home to classes where we are aware that a positive case is. This is not to ask families to isolate but to ask you to be mindful of any symptoms that are displayed in your child.

**PLEASE stay safe and well this holiday and continue to follow any guidance to mitigate Covid-19.**

### Dates for the new school year 2021 - 2022

Below are some dates for your diary. We will keep you informed of any new dates when we know them.

<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021</b>	<b>Half Term Holiday – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021</b>	<b>Inset Day – Staff only</b>
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021</b>	<b>Second Half of Autumn Term begins for children</b>
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021</b>	<b>Year 2 to have daily Kerbcraft session with NPT Road Safety Team – please ensure that children have a suitable coat.</b>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Design to Smile to administer Floride – consent to follow
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Children in Need Day – more information to follow
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Colorfoto photography to take class group photos
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021</b>	<b>Christmas Holidays – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December to Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b>	<b>Inset Day – staff only</b>
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b>	<b>Spring Term 2022 begins for children</b>
Friday, 18 February 2022	Half term holiday - Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Second half of Spring Term
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	End of Spring Term – Easter Holidays - Monday, 11 April to Friday, 22 April
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Summer Term 2022 begins
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Half term holiday – Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Day in lieu of Queen's Platinum Jubilee
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Second half of Summer Term until Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or queries, via our school telephone or via our school email: [cwmnedd@npt.school](mailto:cwmnedd@npt.school)

Have a safe and healthy half term,  
Best wishes  
Miss S A Harwood  
Headteacher



**Article of the Month for October 2021:**  
**Article 15**  
**Your right to meet with friends and join groups and clubs**

