



YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER



HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL

WE ARE VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU INTO YEAR 7 IN SEPTEMBER. HERE IS SOME INFORMATION WE THOUGHT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.



HEAD OF YEAR 7



FAMILY ENGAGEMENT @ YSGOL BRO TAF



FFION WALTERS
WELLBEING AND
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT
OFFICER

SOME OF YOU MAY ALREADY RECOGNIZE ME FROM THE TRANSITION DAYS AT YSGOL BRO TAF, BUT FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT YET KNOW ME, MY NAME IS MISS WALTERS, AND I WILL BE YOUR CHILD'S WELL-BEING AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER.

I AM PASSIONATE ABOUT MY ROLE AT YSGOL BRO TAF AND COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD DURING THIS IMPORTANT TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL. MY PRIMARY AIM IS TO ENSURE THAT EVERY PUPIL HAS EVERYTHING THEY NEED TO BEGIN THEIR JOURNEY WITH US CONFIDENTLY AND COMFORTABLY. I WANT THEIR EXPERIENCE HERE TO BE POSITIVE, ENJOYABLE, AND ENRICHING—ALLOWING THEM TO THRIVE ACADEMICALLY AND PERSONALLY.

IN MY ROLE, I WILL BE YOUR FIRST POINT OF CONTACT FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING YOUR CHILD'S WELL-BEING OR ATTENDANCE. I WILL ALSO BE PROVIDING HELPFUL INFORMATION THROUGH THIS NEWSLETTER TO ASSIST YOU AND YOUR CHILD THROUGHOUT THEIR TIME IN YSGOL BRO TAF. ADDITIONALLY, I WILL SHARE IMPORTANT CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE SCHOOL AND HIGHLIGHT THE RANGE OF SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE TO OUR STUDENTS, INCLUDING EXTERNAL AGENCIES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY WHO CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S WELL-BEING.

I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO ENSURE A SMOOTH AND EXCITING TRANSITION TO YSGOL BRO TAF. AS A PARENT MYSELF, I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES AND ANXIETIES THAT CAN COME WITH CHANGE, AND I AM FULLY PREPARED TO SUPPORT AND REASSURE YOU THROUGHOUT THIS TRANSITION.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT AT ANY TIME—I AM HERE TO HELP.

ATTENDANCE AND WELL BEING @ YSGOL BRO TAF

WE WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE EXPERIENCE AT YSGOL BRO TAF AND GOOD ATTENDANCE AND WELL BEING IS A VITAL WAY OF ENSURING THIS HAPPENS. IF YOUR CHILD IS STRUGGLING WITH ANYTHING WHILST AT THE SCHOOL, WE ARE HERE TO HELP.



ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

TO REPORT ABSENCES WE HAVE AN ATTENDANCE EMAIL WHICH IS

ATTENDANCE@YSGOLBROTAF.RCTCBC.CYMRU

THIS WILL DIRECTLY GO THROUGH TO OUR DATA ANALYST WHO WILL UPDATE THE REGISTER AND INFORM FFION WALTERS, FEO OR HEAD OF YEAR'S IF THERE ARE ANY WELL-BEING CONCERNS OR ANY FAMILIES THAT WE NEED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH.

AS A WAY OF HOPEFULLY RESOLVING ANY ISSUES, WE WILL ATTEND THE HOME DURING OUR DART VISITS TO OFFER ANY SUPPORT WE CAN TO YOU AS A FAMILY OR YOUR CHILD.

IF ATTENDANCE DOES NOT IMPROVE THIS IS WHEN WE SEND OUR 1ST LETTER FROM SCHOOL STATING ATTENDANCE NEEDS TO IMPROVE AND WHAT PERCENTAGE THEIR ATTENDANCE IS.

WE ALSO SEND SALLY TO VISIT ON A WRV.

IF ATTENDANCE IS STILL A CONCERN, WE WILL THEN SEND A LETTER 2, IF NO IMPROVEMENT AFTER LETTER 2 HAS GONE OUT A FIXED PENALTY NOTICE COULD BE ISSUED.

WE WILL THEN MAKE A REFERRAL FOR SUPPORT TO THE ATTENDANCE AND WELLBEING SERVICE. THE BEST APPROACH IS FOR US TO WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS SUPPORTED AND FEELS POSITIVE ABOUT COMING TO SCHOOL

SALLY INGRAM IS OUR RCT ATTENDANCE AND WELLBEING OFFICER, YOU MAY SEE SALLY UNDERTAKING WELLBEING RESPONSE VISITS IN OUR COMMUNITY. THESE WILL BE VISITS TO FAMILIES' HOMES WHERE THERE IS A CONCERN AROUND ATTENDANCE AND/OR WELLBEING. THESE VISITS ARE INTENDED TO BE A SUPPORT FOR YOU AS FAMILIES SO THAT WE CAN HELP ADDRESS ANY BARRIERS TO ATTENDANCE AND PROVIDE YOU WITH ADVICE AND GUIDANCE ON ENSURING THAT YOUR CHILDREN HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING IN BRO TAF.

YSGOL BRO TAF UNIFORM SUPPLIER

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IF YOU HAVE ANY
CONCERNS REGARDING
SCHOOL UNIFORM PLEASE
GET IN TOUCH WITH
FFION WALTERS

USEFUL CONTACTS

CITIZENS ADVICE RCT (OFFERS A RANGE OF SUPPORT INCLUDING REGULAR MONEY CLINICS) TEL : 01443 409284.

RFS PARENTIG TEAM (NEED ADVICE ON DEALING WITH MOODY TEENS?) PARENTANDFAMILYSUPPORT@RCTCBC.GOV.UK
OR TEL : 01443 425006

BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT HUB PONTYPRIDD – PRACTICAL SUPPORT AND ADVICE FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS OR BEHAVIOURS THAT CHALLENGE.
INFO@BEHAVIOURSUPPORTHUB.ORG.UK
OR TEL : 07562 223697

RCT CARERS SUPPORT PROJECT – SUPPORT FOR UNPAID CARERS LIVING IN RCT CARERSUPPORTPROJECT@RCTCBC.GOV.UK
OR TEL : 01443 281463

PONTYPRIDD FOOD BANK – INFO@PONTYPRIDD.FOODBANK.ORG.UK
OR TEL : 01443 404692

Learning support

