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Annwyl Parents/Carers

Firstly, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all new families joining our school community. We are delighted to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you over the coming weeks. I hope everyone has enjoyed a restful and enjoyable summer break. As we approach the start of the new academic year, it's nearly time to hand over your children to their new teachers. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the children back to school tomorrow and beginning another exciting year of learning and growth.

ORGANISATION OF THE DAY

Please note that **arrival and pick-up arrangements remain the same as last academic year**, as outlined below:

Beginning of the School Day – Arrival Information

To help ensure a smooth start to the day, here's a quick guide to where each year group should enter the school. Staff will be on hand at each entrance to help guide you and your child.

- All children are welcome to enter school grounds via Conway Road and/or School Lane.
- Nursery and Reception (Mrs Davies and Mrs Lloyd) – Please use the Early Years gate.
- Reception/Year 1 (Miss Bodger and Mrs Wood's class) – Please use the Year 1 gate.
- Year 2 (Mrs Fisher and Miss Williams) – Please use the Year 2 gate.
- Years 3 and 4 – Please use the pathway entrance at the front of the school.
- Years 5 and 6 – Please use the steps at the front of the school.
- All entrances will be opened at 8:50am and will close at 9:05am.

KS2 children who enter via Conway Road or School Lane are old enough to walk themselves to class and should do so independently. We kindly ask that adults say goodbye at the school gates and do not walk around the school grounds. Staff will be on hand to direct families.

End of the School Day – Collection Information

To help keep everyone safe and ensure a smooth end to the day, please follow the collection arrangements below:

- Nursery to Year 2 – Children should be collected from the same gates they are dropped off at in the morning.
- Years 3 to 6 – All children will exit from the front of the school. Please note that children will not exit via School Lane or Conway Road.

	Start	Finish
AM Nursery	9.00	11.30
PM Nursery	12.45	3.15
Reception	9.00	3.15

Every Child Matters, Every Day Counts

Year 1	9.00	3.10
Year 2	9.00	3.15
Year 3	9.00	3.10
Year 4	9.00	3.15
Year 5	9.00	3.10
Year 6	9.00	3.15

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY REMINDERS

Traffic outside all school entrances can be very busy at the beginning and end of the school day. To help keep everyone safe, we encourage as many families as possible to walk to school.

If you do need to travel by car, please park away from the school entrances and walk the short remaining distance. This helps reduce congestion and ensures a safer environment for all children and families.

Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our school community safe.



We're excited to invite you to our *Meet the Team* sessions taking place during the first week of September. These events are a great opportunity to get to know the staff who will be working closely with your child this year.

As well as putting names to faces, you'll hear about daily routines, expectations, and how we can work together to support your child's learning and wellbeing. You'll also get a glimpse into what your child will be learning, how you can help at home, and have the chance to visit their classroom and ask any questions you may have.

Each year group will host two sessions to give families the flexibility to attend more than one if needed. If you're unable to join us in person, don't worry—key information will be available on our school website by the end of the day on **Friday 5th September**.

		Session 1	Session 2
Reception	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.20	3:50
Rec/Year 1 (Miss Bodger's class)	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.30	4:00
Year 1	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.30	4:00
Year 2	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.30	4:00
Year 3	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.30	4:00
Year 4	Thursday 4th September	3.30	4:00
Year 5	Wednesday 3 rd September	3.30	4:00
Year 6	Thursday 4th September	3.30	4:00

We hope that you can join us. Please use the usual gate/entrance and a member of staff will direct you to where the session is taking place.

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ACADEMIC YEAR TERM DATES

2025/2026 Academic Year

Term	Term Begins	Half Term Begins	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Monday 01.09.25	Monday 27.10.25	Friday 31.10.25	Friday 19.12.25
Spring	Monday 05.01.26	Monday 16.02.26	Friday 20.02.26	Friday 27.03.26
Summer	Monday 13.04.26	Monday 25.05.26	Friday 29.05.26	Monday 20.07.26

INSET DATES

Monday 1st September

Friday 3rd October

Friday 19th December

Monday 13th April

Friday 22nd May

Monday 20th July

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