

Parent Information Sheet - Thursday 17th January 2019

School Uniform

At Rhiw Syr Dafydd Primary School we are proud of our school uniform as it gives us a sense of identity and sense of belonging. Please ensure that pupils come to school wearing the correct uniform.

Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2

- Polo Shirt sky blue with logo
- Knitted jumper navy with logo
- Sweatshirt navy with logo
- School dress navy and white
- Trousers/skirt/slip grey/black- During the Summer Term black or grey dress shorts are allowed
- White formal shirt
- Tie DS101 navy with 2 diagonal red stripes running through it
- Shoes black (trainers are permissible only if black in colour). If pupils wish to wear other trainers for football then these should be brought to school for pupils to change into.

Reception children are encouraged to follow the whole school uniform policy, however, due to the nature of 'hands on' activities offered navy jogging bottoms and trainers can be worn.

Uniform for Nursery

- Yellow polo shirt with logo
- Yellow sweatshirt with logo
- Navy jogging bottoms
- Yellow and White School Dress

PE Kit

PE T-Shirts are also supplied in the four house colours (red, yellow, blue and green) with the school logo. Children must have a separate change of clothes for PE.

Jewellery – small earrings are acceptable but must be removed for PE. Wrist watches are encouraged but again must be removed for PE. NO OTHER JEWELLERY IS ACCEPTABLE.

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School Uniform is available from:

Darren Morgan Sports – Cross Keys (01495 271995)

Regis – Newbridge (01495 246343)

Physical Education

Over recent weeks I have noticed a number of pupils who are not participating in Physical Education lessons. Physical Education is a National Curriculum subject and as such it is something that all pupils must participate in. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school ready for their lessons.

The new curriculum places great emphasis on developing pupils' health and well-being and is an important feature of Welsh Government policy. At Rhiw Syr Dafydd we want all our pupils to be active, fit and healthy individuals and appreciate parental support in achieving this goal.

Parking

The parking situation on Maes Y Garn Road at the beginning and end of the school day is a real concern. The only way to resolve the issue is by working closely together to ensure the safety of all our children. Please do not park vehicles on the pavement as this restricts access for parents with pushchairs and often results in children having to step out into the road. There have also been a number of complaints from local residents where their driveway has been blocked.

Parking in the school car park at the end of the school day is also a cause for concern. Please remember that the safety of our pupils leaving the school premises at the end of the school day is paramount. A number of vehicles are being parked on the zebra crossing areas in the car park. This is extremely dangerous as pupils are taught that this is a safe place to cross. I am aware of a number of schools where the car park gates are locked and the only access to the school is pedestrian access. This is something that I really want to avoid at Rhiw Syr Dafydd.

Gwent police are aware of the issues regarding parking outside the school. This is an issue for a number of schools across the borough and in some areas parents have received fines for parking illegally or irresponsibly.

When parking your vehicle please think 'SAFETY'.

Armed Forces Covenant

You should have received a letter asking if any pupils have a parent currently serving in the armed forces or a parent who is a veteran having left the forces within the past six years. As a school we are able to access additional funding for such pupils and I ask that you complete the slip at the bottom of the letter and return in to school as soon as possible. Please be assured that no names will be shared, it is only number of pupils that is collected by the local authority.

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