



# Cardiff High School Ysgol Uwchradd Caerdydd

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head towards the half term break, I am delighted to reflect on a very positive start to this academic year. It has also been a pleasure to meet with so many of you during our welcome to Year 7, 10 and 12 evenings and within our Year 12 2025 Event on Wednesday of this week. Thank you for the hugely positive feedback you have provided in relation to these.

### **Information For Parents/Carers Attending Sport Fixtures**

We like to encourage families to support their children at sporting fixtures at Cardiff High School. In order to meet safeguarding regulations, however, it is important that the following expectations are adhered to:

- Please do not arrive on school premises prior to **3.20pm**
- Please remain in the area of the match you are spectating
- Please do not enter the school site
- **Please note that we do not permit dogs on site**

### **ClassCharts Support**

We have received a number of requests for further support in relation to accessing the software package ClassCharts. You will be aware that homework, merits, sanctions and absences are being recorded via this platform. We are also delighted to share with you that the software has a translation function which features an extensive range of languages.

In order to provide guidance in relation to the above, we have created two webinars which, hopefully, will help you to gain the most from the software as we work together to support the learning experiences of our pupils.

Please see below for a QR code to access the webinars



### **School Dates for Parents/Carers**

Please be advised that a calendar has been uploaded to our school web site which will advise you of all forthcoming events such as INSET days and Parents/Carers Evenings. This can be found within the "Parents and Students" section. Please note that our next INSET is on Friday 8 November.

### **Lunch Accounts**

Our school canteen has been incredibly popular so far this term and we are really pleased that pupils are enjoying the wide range of food on offer each day.

We have noticed, however, that a number of learners have come to the end of their money within their respective Parent Pay accounts. Please can we ask that you regularly check your child's account to ensure that they have sufficient funds for them to purchase food from the canteen. Whilst we would always serve your child with food, we would prefer not to have to ask them to top up their account. Please see below for current information regarding the application for free school meals.

### **Free School Meals**

Primary and secondary school pupils will get free school meals if their family receives:

- Income Support
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Income Based JobsSeeker's Allowance
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit, or
- Child Tax Credit with an income less than £16,190
- Universal Credit if the net household earnings is less than £7400.

The application form can be found via the following link:

<https://forms.cardiffcouncilwebteam.co.uk/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

### **Safety**

Once again, I would like to politely remind you that, in the interest of safety, you are ***not*** to stop your car at the front of the school gate or on the yellow zig zag lines to the side of the main entrance. This poses a major health and safety issue both for our learners and fellow drivers.

### **School Library**

Please note that the school library is open and staffed each day from 3.10pm – 4pm. This provides an opportunity for your child to undertake any school work in a well-resourced venue with access to computers.

### **Lockdown Drill**

We conducted a full, unannounced, lockdown drill today. It was very successful and we were impressed with the mature and sensible attitudes of our learners.

May I take this opportunity to wish your child a restful half term week. We look forward to seeing them all again on Monday 4 November.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher