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Dear Parent / Carer,

My first term as head teacher of Pontllanfraith Comprehensive School is nearly over. The staff and pupils have been very welcoming and supportive during this time. I have been impressed by the politeness and behaviour of the pupils who attend this school.

It has been a very busy and eventful term. Our faculties continue to be monitored by the support and advisory service ESIS. Reports comment on the excellent lessons taking place within the school. There was the success of our school production 'Back to the 80's'. The annual ski trip ran as smoothly as ever. Many of our pupils represented the school at other events including a Modern Foreign Languages day at UWIC, a More Able and Talented day, a Maths Challenge at Howell's Girls School and year 11 visited Cross Keys College in preparation for further studies next year. In all instances, reports back to the school comment on the exceptional attitude and excellent behaviour of the pupils involved. This is a credit to the school and to you as parents and carers. Additionally, there have been opportunities for you to visit the school at parents' evenings and option's evenings. It has been a pleasure to meet so many of you at these occasions. We have also supported charity events raising over £800 on Red Nose Day. Later this week, we will support another charity, the Joshua Foundation, through a non-uniform day for our Eisteddfod celebrations. Pupils are encouraged to support their house by wearing something of an appropriate colour.

We have recently installed an extremely large screen with projection and full sound system in the main hall. A big thank you to the PTA for funding this, and especially to all those pupils, parents and staff who have spent time raising money over the last couple of years by bag packing and organising and supporting discos etc.

This is a very important time for our year 11 pupils as they make their final preparations for the forthcoming GCSE examinations. I wish them all every success. I would ask you to be patient and supportive during the next couple of months. There are revision classes planned during the Easter Holidays and summer half term, normal classes will continue until half term, and teachers will be available for support throughout the exam period. Details will be posted on the school website which is updated regularly. It is an excellent source of information and we have been complimented on its usefulness.

Next term resumes on Monday 20th April for pupils and they may either wear the white school polo shirt with the school logo, or they may continue to wear the school blazer together with a standard white shirt and the school tie. May I remind you that hoodies and trainers may not be worn. Staff training days have been planned for next term to occur either side of the half term break, on Friday 22nd May and Monday 1st June.

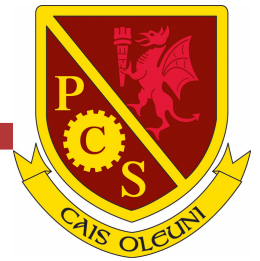
Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Happy Easter break and to thank you for the support you have shown the school over the past three months.

Yours sincerely

R Davies
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