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Re INSET days academic year 20/21

Dear Parents/Carers,

I should like to take this opportunity to inform you that the school will be taking two of its remaining INSET days on the days immediately after half term **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June** and **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June**. The timing of the days is designed to ensure in particular that Year 11 pupils avoid any disruption to the evidence gathering process which should be complete by the half term holiday and to ensure that staff have appropriate time to moderate the evidence gathered and ensure that it is reflected in grades which are fair for pupils this summer. The two days will also provide a window for us to work with our cluster primary schools to afford Year 6 pupils the opportunity to visit our school without compromising the Covid secure bubbles which our own pupils are working within. The pandemic has the potential to cause additional anxieties for young pupils during their transition to secondary school and we are obviously very keen to give them an experience of the site in as safe a fashion as possible at an appropriate time during the remainder of the school year.

No Islwyn High pupils will be required to attend school on the aforementioned dates.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. J.N.Hicks  
Headteacher