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Annwyl Parents and Carers,

We're at the end of the third week of the new school year, and I'm pleased to say things are going well. Students have settled in positively, and the atmosphere around school has been very encouraging.

As part of our ongoing communication, I'd like to remind you that we publish a **weekly blog** (see our social media pages) which gives a real flavour of what's happening in school. It's a great way to stay informed and connected. I also plan to write to you at least once every half term with general updates and reflections.

Duke of Edinburgh Award – Update

Castell Alun has a long-standing tradition of offering the Duke of Edinburgh Award, particularly in Years 10, 11 and Sixth Form. Due to budget constraints, we were facing the possibility of having to remove this from our extracurricular programme.

However, I'm delighted to share that we've found a solution, which means the programme will still run at Castell Alun, in much the same way as before, but with support from an external provider. More details will follow soon, but this is a real positive for our students.

Traffic and Site Safety

As always at this time of year, the school site is very busy, and I'd like to respectfully ask for your support with the following:

- Please avoid parking on the road directly outside the school gates, even if there are no yellow lines, as this can significantly affect traffic flow.
- If entering the school site, please drive slowly and avoid stopping in the gateway area, as this causes congestion and can block the exit lane.



Open Evening – Thursday 25th September, 6pm–8pm

We're excited to welcome prospective families to our Open Evening next Thursday. Please feel free to share this information with friends, family, and community groups. Below is our electronic prospectus and a QR code for easy access.



<https://castellalun.com/prospectus/>

Thank you again for your continued support. If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Cael penwythnos gwych / Have a great weekend.

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