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Dear Parents

We have come to the end of another successful school year. As you can see from our new magazine there have been many notable successes in all aspects of school life and we can be justly proud of our young peoples achievements.

I have included a few reminders and some new procedures for the new academic year.

With regards to uniform we ask for parents continued support in ensuring that pupils wear black shoes to school and also wear all other items of school uniform as can be read on the enclosed uniform requirement sheet. We ask parents to support us with ensuring that hair styles and colours comply with our requirements - please note that hair should be in a natural shade, please note that bright red, pink or purple are not permitted. There should be no tramlines also.

Our uniform enables our pupils to be identified as representatives and ambassadors of Milford Haven School therefore we ask for your support in ensuring that your sons and daughters always present a positive image of the school through their behaviour to and from school; we have been working with our local community Police in achieving this aim.

We remind parents that pupils are not permitted to leave the school site at lunchtime unless they have received authorisation to have their lunch at home via their Head of Year.

Internet safety is of great importance to us. We and our local community Police are very concerned about the increasing number of issues brought into the school as a result of inappropriate use of technology such as Facebook and Blackberry messaging. We ask you to read through the internet safety pages with your child as a matter of urgency.

As of September 2011 all year groups will be 'zoned' into specific areas within the school building for registration, these areas of the school will also only be available for pupils from the specific year group at break and lunchtimes to stay around. Otherwise at lunch times pupils will be expected to go to the Steynton Hall where we hope to show DVDS or remain outside the school building for lunchtimes. The main corridor area will have restricted access at lunchtimes and the main entrance/exit via the school steps will only be available to pupils at the start of lunchtime and at the end of the day.



We are aiming to raise the profile of good attendance, please share the enclosed attendance fact sheet with your child.

We realise that picking up your child from school can be very difficult as far as parking is concerned. However, we are receiving constant complaints from the police, traffic wardens and residents about parking in front of the school and in Bunkers Hill. The authority has provided us with adequate parking space at the back of the school and we would ask you to use it please, and not to park at the front.

If your child needs to take medication during the school day, or use an asthma inhaler, they must keep it in their school bag. Unfortunately, the school-based nurse is no longer able to hold medication for pupils. We will provide the facilities to take medication, providing your child has a note from you giving permission. We will be as helpful as we can within the circumstances dictated by the powers that be. Generally, children of eleven years of age and upwards are capable of looking after their own medication and asthma pumps. If your child has special needs and is not capable, please contact us.

We have enclosed a Free School Meals application form. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals but need assistance with the form, please contact us.

We wish you and our students a happy and safe holiday. The Port Authority is very concerned about the dangers of jumping and diving off the dockside. We reminded children of this before we broke up. We hope you will enjoy the summer holidays with your children and that they will return happy and refreshed on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

