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Dear parents and carers,

We're very excited to be welcoming top athlete Nerys Pearce to the school on **Wednesday, 28 September 2022**.

Nerys Pearce served as a Combat Medic in the army. She was left paralysed from the chest down after a car hit her. A keen athlete, she went from training for 23 hours a week to being unable to lead an independent life. She has since been supported by Help for Heroes and has taken part in the Arch to Arc Enduroman and Warrior Games. Nerys competed in the 2016 Invictus Games and represented Wales in the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Nerys will be leading a **sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils** and will follow-up with a talk and question and answer session. The aim of the event is to **inspire the pupils** to be more physically active, but just as importantly to encourage them to discover and then pursue their **passion in life**.

The event will both connect the pupils to an extraordinary athlete role model, and to **raise money to improve physical activity** for the school, while also supporting both athletes and para-athletes.

You can sponsor your child by visiting: www.sportsforschools.org and clicking on the button "**Set up a Fundraiser Page**". Your child will also bring home a sponsorship form today so that you can also collect cash sponsorship if you prefer.

Please ensure that **sponsorship forms and moneys** are returned to the school office 1 week after the event has taken place.

Please also make sure that your child/children come to school on the event day with their PE Kits!

Thank you in anticipation of creating a terrific and memorable event.

Best wishes

Mrs Baker

Joy Baker
Headteacher and PE Lead