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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

The Vulnerable Learners Service (VLS) within the Education Development Service (EDS) of Neath Port Talbot has recently been given resources to offer support and advice to our Armed Forces pupils and their families. We understand how difficult it can be when you move to a new area, to have to settle your children into a new school and familiarise yourself with new rules and procedures and how difficult it can be to meet new people. Also for families that have been here for some time, we know that it is especially difficult to meet similar families from similar Armed Forces backgrounds given the geography of our authority and the wide dispersal of children from Armed Forces backgrounds throughout our schools.

We would therefore like to provide you with an opportunity to meet the team and to meet up socially with other parents and their children from Armed Forces backgrounds. We have arranged a number of drop in sessions in the Local Authority in venues that are child friendly and have room for children to play whilst parents can relax and interact. We are also providing complimentary drinks and food and you are welcome to bring a friend with you and any siblings in school or out of school. **WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

| Date Time and Venue | Names & numbers attending | Dietary Requirements |
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| <p>Wednesday 17 November 15.30 - 17.30hrs Aberavon Leisure and Fitness Centre, Princess Margaret Way, Port Talbot, SA12 6QW ACTIVITIES: Sports hall inflatable and soft play</p> | <p>Just phone or email to let us know you are coming - but don't worry if you forget! Please just feel free to turn up!</p> | |

If you would like to make contact with VLS please contact Heather Thomas Armed Forces Education Liaison Officer 07971660077 email:h.thomas2@npt.gov.uk

