



6th September 2021

Welcome back. I hope you are all well and have enjoyed the summer holidays.

It has been an absolute pleasure to welcome the children and staff back to school this week. It has been lovely to meet some of our new Nursery pupils starting on their journey. News of the Year 7 pupils assures us that they are settling well into their new schools. A very positive start to the school year despite the challenges.

Schools are working towards implementing the **Local COVID-19 infection control decision framework for schools from autumn 2021**, the guiding principles of which are to:

- enable schools to operate as 'business as usual' as far as possible including the provision of breakfast and after school clubs, extra-curricular activities and practical subjects
- secure the best outcomes for all learners by considering both their educational needs and wellbeing
- manage ongoing risks of COVID-19 as safely as possible as for other infections, and ensure clarity of actions required if there is a case in a school.

The following core measures should remain in place regardless of risk level:

- All staff and learners should be reminded to follow the **Welsh Government guidance for self-isolation**.
- Staff and learners **should not** attend school if they have any COVID-19 symptoms. If a staff member or learner becomes symptomatic they should get a test as soon as possible, and self-isolate until the outcome of the test, if the test is negative they can leave self-isolation. **Further guidance is available.**
As a reminder, the three main symptoms of COVID-19 to be aware of are;
a new continuous cough,
fever or high temperature,
loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste.
If your child develops one of these symptoms they should follow the **self-isolation guidance** and you should **apply for a coronavirus test**.
- Regular handwashing, and respiratory etiquette (Catch it, Bin it, Kill it) are key interventions to prevent spread and manage cases, incidents & outbreaks.

- Adequate ventilation by opening windows or adjusting ventilation systems are also important.
- Maintain appropriate levels of cleaning in line with other communicable diseases.

Healthy Snacks

We are proud to hold the NQA award for Healthy Schools and we would be grateful if KS2 children (Y3-Y6) would bring a piece of fruit for their morning snack. We have noticed that the majority of children are eating crisps or a chocolate snacks, something we would like to avoid at morning break. We have re-established snack provision (milk and fruit) for Foundation Phase children.

School clubs for Y1-Y6 will start next week:

Monday: Gardening Club with Miss Fisher

Tuesday: Drama Club with Miss Jones

Wednesday: Craft Club with Miss Hughes

Thursday: iMovie Club with Mr Williams

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Start/End of the School Day:

School opens at 8.40am

Registration: 8.55am

Nursery: finish 11.30am

Foundation Phase (Reception/Yr1/Yr2): finish 3.05pm

Key Stage 2 (Yrs3-6): finish 3.20pm

School-based Before and After School Provision: 01745 856683

Before School 8am-8.50am...£2

After School until 5.30pm...£9, until 6pm by prior arrangement...£10