



## Griffithstown Primary School / Ysgol Gynradd Griffithstown

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### Dear Families,

Welcome back and thank you for helping our drop off and collection protocol to work effectively. The children have been sensible, eager to learn and their smiles have brightened every corner of the school. I am glad to report that everyone is healthy but I know that colds and bugs will start to spread as the seasons change. If your child is poorly please follow the usual protocol of calling school. Please leave a message and be specific with the reason for the absence.

### COVID Symptoms

This advice is provided by Public Health Wales, and is available on the NHS website.

Symptoms of COVID:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- loss of smell or taste (anosmia)

If your child has any of these symptoms your child must be tested regardless of whether you think it may be indicative of seasonal cold etc. Your child should not return to school until a test has been carried out and a negative result has been received. In the event of a positive result the child and family members should self-isolate for 14 days.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club starts on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September. It is only open to children who attended before the COVID lockdown, Reception, and pupils new to school.

The start times for Breakfast Club are:

8.45am – 9.00am: Year 3, Year 4 and Year 1

9.05am – 9.20am: Year 2, Year 5, Year 6 and Reception

The children will be seated in their 'bubble' groups. The hall will be set out, to accommodate all bubbles, with at least two metres between the bubbles. If you have children in more than one bubble, you can bring them all to the later sitting.

Key points:

- The children will use hand sanitiser on entry to the school
- The children must keep their coats on or store it under their seat
- Pupils must remain seated throughout the 15 minute session, unless requiring the toilet
- Parents/Carers are not permitted access to the building
- At the end of their sitting, children will be dismissed from the hall in their bubbles
- Children will not be allowed into Breakfast Club if they are five or more minutes late
- Pupils who are repeatedly late will be taken off the Breakfast Club register
- Entry to school is via East View and parents/carers must follow the yellow arrows around school to the main entrance. Parents/Carers must exit the site via Florence Place.



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### After School Club

After School Club starts on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

Call the After School Club mobile: 07940454060 to discuss applications. Please do not call the school number

After School Club is daily from 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Pupils will be supervised by their class teacher in their classroom until 3.30pm

Once in the hall, the children will be seated in their 'bubble' groups. The hall will be set out, to accommodate all bubbles, with at least two metres between the bubbles.

Key points:

- The children will use hand sanitiser on entry to the hall
- The children must keep their coats on or store it under their seat
- Pupils must remain in their designated area, unless requiring the toilet or the assistance of an After School Club worker.
- Activities and snacks will be distributed on the tables before the children enter the room
- After School Club workers will be based in a central location, easily accessible for all bubbles. However, adults and pupils must maintain at least a two metre distance.
- Parents/Carers are not permitted access to the building and will need to call the After School Club mobile for collection. Your child will be escorted to the exit by an adult, while keeping a two metre distance.
- Parent/Carer collection times are spread throughout the duration of the two hour session and so it is appropriate to use the Florence Place gate to enter and exit the site. However, you must ensure that you respect the personal space of others and maintain a two metre distance.

Thank you once again to parents/carers, governors, staff and pupils for making this a successful return to school.

Regards,

Nick Blackburn  
Headteacher