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Dear Families,

I trust you are all safe and well. We would like to share information regarding the phased reopening of school over the coming weeks.

Re-opening

It is anticipated that Foundation Phase pupils only will return to school on Thursday 25th February.

Nursery AM session time: 9.10am – 11.40am **Nursery PM session time:** 1.00pm – 3.30pm

Reception time: 9.00am – 3.00pm

Year 1 time: 9.00am – 3.00pm

Year 2 time: 9.20am – 3.20pm

Please note that Reception and Year 1 will now start at the same time in the morning.

We await guidance from Welsh Government regarding information about the re-opening of KS2.

Rising 3s

Parents and Carers will be contacted over the coming days with dates and times. Start dates will be phased over a two week period, commencing Monday 1st March.

Face Coverings

Parents must wear masks while on the school site. All school staff must wear a mask during the day unless eating or involved in active games. Face masks / coverings are not recommended for primary school aged children. No pupils will be stopped from wearing a face covering. This is a matter of parental choice. Responsibility for the provision of an appropriate face covering lies with the parent / carer of the pupil. Safety related to face masks / coverings is vital. If a child wears a face mask / covering, **they must** store it in a sealed bag. It is the parent / carer's responsibility to ensure that their child has a sealed bag. Hands must be washed or sanitised before putting on a face covering and after removing it. Reusable masks / coverings must be washed and changed daily. If a face covering is worn, it must be plain / simple patterned, with no inappropriate markings as these will be confiscated and replaced with a single-use covering provided by the school whilst parents / carers source and alternative.

Social Distancing

Parents are reminded to avoid close contact and to maintain two metres distance from other parents at all times.

Pupil bubbles, as were in place during autumn, will resume and pupils and staff will follow the same safety expectations.

Hands

All pupils will wash their hands and use hand sanitiser on entry and exit from the school, and regularly throughout the school day.

Deep Clean

Infant classrooms will be deep cleaned during the half term break in readiness for the reopening of the Foundation Phase on Thursday 25th February.



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Remote Learning or Hub

Remote learning for Foundation Phase will continue during 22nd – 24th February. Pupils will be asked to complete one activity per day (handwriting, spelling/reading and number bonds/tables) on TEAMS.

Registered pupils can continue to attend the Hub on these days. However, the Infant Hub will be based in the Year 3 plaza to enable the infant classes to be cleaned.

The KS2 Hub will continue as normal, as will remote learning.

What to expect in Foundation Phase

Wellbeing will be the focus for all learning during 25th and 26th February. This will be important for children to enjoy seeing their teachers and friends for the first time since December. So expect lots of wellbeing activities taught in an inspiring and creative way. From Monday 1st March full timetables will resume because the children need to be learning from the earliest possible moment. Please be mindful of your class's Twitter feed and information slips in your child's bag regarding what the class is doing, especially so as the first full week will include activities linked to St David's Day.

Breakfast Club

8.45 – 9.00 registered pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Junior Hub can attend Breakfast Club.

9.05 – 9.20 registered pupils in Year 2 can attend Breakfast Club. Pupils can attend the earlier sitting if they have a younger sibling.

To access Breakfast Club, please enter the site via East View and follow the one way system.

Please wait outside the Main Entrance until your child is handed over to a Breakfast Club worker.

Lunch Times

To limit the number of adults on the school site, we have decided to keep the kitchen closed at lunchtime.

All pupils will need a fruit snack for mid-morning, and a healthy packed lunch.

We are looking to open the kitchen for lunch provision at some point after Easter.

After School Club

We will monitor and review the situation over the coming weeks and plan to reopen After School Club after Easter.

Social Distancing during Breakfast Club and Lunch Times

Pupils will stay within specific areas with other members of their bubble during Breakfast Club, break times and lunchtimes.

Regards,

Nick Blackburn