

12th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope this letter finds you well. I am pleased that the school is reopening on the 29th of June and we are all looking forward to the children returning.

I would like to share with you the current planning for the reopening; more detailed information will follow shortly. The school will be opening within the guidelines laid down by Welsh Government. We are also working closely with the Local Authority to safeguard pupils and staff to minimise risk. Our primary focus is safety.

Children will be given the opportunity to attend school one day a week. However, this will be dependent on pupil numbers and staffing availability.

Children and staff will be allocated a designated entrance and exit to and from the school site which **must** be used. All children and staff will be temperature tested on entry to the school site and will clean their hands using hand sanitiser.

All children and staff will be expected to maintain a social distance of 2m and the school will be marked up accordingly to support children and staff to do this.

Cleaners will be on site in the mornings, prior to the building opening to staff and pupils, during the day for key areas and at the end of the day for a further clean. Pupils and staff will wash their hands regularly across the day. Contact surfaces will be regularly cleaned. Hand sanitiser and anti-bac wipes will be available in all classroom areas.

Pupils will be organised in small groups with a maximum of 9 pupils with one member of staff. The school will determine the pupil mixes for the classes. They will remain in the same pupil group across the day and will remain in the same room for most of the day. The member of staff will change across the day as required.

Weather permitting, pupils will go outside for break. They will be directly supervised. In Y Goedwig breaks will be staggered. In Nythbran classes will be allocated to bubbles which will have allocated outdoor space. When pupils are outside they will remain with the pupils in their class. They will **not** be mixing with other pupils.

Pupils will be allocated toilets to use which will be regularly cleaned.

The timings for the school day and the provision of lunch has yet to be decided. Staggered start and end points to the day are being considered.

In Y Goedwig, where possible, we will try to ensure that children from the same family attend the school on the same day.

For us to complete the planning for the reopening of the school we need to have an understanding of the number of children who intend to return. There is no obligation for you to send your children back to school, the decision is totally yours. There will be no prosecution for lack of attendance.

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I do hope this information will help you in making the decision as to whether your child returns to school on the 29th of June. Please can you click on this link [{School Reopening Survey}](#) to confirm whether your child will or will not be attending.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and be safe.

Yours faithfully

Yvonne Jones
Headteacher

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