



17th September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Diolch yn fawr

In addition to our new e-bulletins, I am writing to thank you for your support during the first two weeks of term. It has been exciting to return to relative normality, in accordance with the most recent Welsh Government guidance. We know that COVID-19 is still very much with us, yet the school is now able to function more freely than it has for some time.

High Standards

School uniform has been superb and the vast majority of our students have arrived punctually each day. Walking around the school, I have regularly observed students engaging in challenging and enjoyable lessons. The climate for learning has been tremendous. Pleasingly, many of our new Year 7 students have told me how much they have enjoyed our specialist facilities and practical activities. These youngsters are settling in extremely well and we are incredibly proud.

Risk Assessment

Our current risk assessments remind us that robust hand and respiratory hygiene are as important as ever. Similarly, the most effective way to prevent transmission of COVID-19 in our school is to stop infection being brought into our setting. If a child or member of staff tests positive for coronavirus or has any of the COVID-19 symptoms they should self-isolate and not attend school. We are currently working closely with TTP whenever a positive case is detected. Regrettably, to prevent unnecessary risk of infection, we will not be staging an on-site open day/evening this year.

Parking

Students are now free to leave from the Rhosnesni, Holt and Borrass gates. We ask that parents do not drop-off or collect their children near these gates. Parents and carers who park in close proximity to the school inadvertently endanger those attempting to cross roads. Illegal and/or inconsiderate parking also distresses our local residents. I thank you in anticipation of your support and understanding.

Finally, whilst we do not know what the coming year has in store for us, we must remain positive and optimistic. Please remember that we can support with lateral flow tests and health advice, when required. Your child's wellbeing is paramount and we must continue to support each other through the next stage of the public health crisis.

Best wishes,

Mr A Brant
Headteacher

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