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Dear Parent/Carer,

Covid Recovery Plan

Now that we have settled into the new academic year, I felt it was important to write to you about our school improvement priorities. The impact of Covid-19 on education in Wales has been hugely concerning. Nobody would deny or dismiss the disruption the pandemic has caused to Wrexham's many schools. Consequently, my colleagues and I have spent considerable time planning a recovery approach that is tailored to our own students.

Throughout the autumn and winter, we are focusing on three key priorities:

1) Strengthening teaching and professional learning

I am sure you will agree that recruiting, retaining and developing the best teachers in the region is absolutely essential for Ysgol Rhosnesni's future. Within the context of our school's rapid growth in size and the continuing Covid crisis this is now more important than ever before. As a team, we are committed to delivering high quality lessons and to the continuing professional development of all colleagues.

2) Wellbeing, behaviour and engagement

A school that insists on the highest standards of conduct from its staff, students and parents is far more likely to mitigate the educational disruption of the past 18 months than a setting with diluted or questionable values. Currently, we are striving to improve and embed the essential routines and expectations that lead to academic achievement. Punctuality, appropriate dress, independent learning and respect for others are undeniably habits crafted in childhood which are then carried into adult life and the workplace. In short, we believe that our culture of high aspirations, effort and teamwork is the cornerstone of a successful school.

Along with this letter you will find some '5 Ways to Wellbeing' advice. At Rhosnesni, we are committed to building emotional resilience, physical health and positive thinking. We are working closely with experts from many different fields to strengthen and promote the wellbeing of our staff, students and local families.

3) The development/recovery of skills – language, literacy, communication, numeracy and digital competency

We all understand the importance of foundational skills such as reading, writing and arithmetic. The Covid crisis has inevitably left numerous skills gaps for many of our students. Through intervention and high quality teaching, we aim to address these needs. Whilst we ask our young people not to dwell on the disruption of the past two school years, we know that there is much work to be done. We request that all parents support our efforts by promoting reading for pleasure and by encouraging revision and practice at home.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our recovery priorities. I hope that I can continue to count on your support as we strive to embody the school's core values of respect, honesty and success. If we can give you further advice or support, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

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Pum ffordd at les

Five ways to wellbeing

Pum peth syml y gallwn ni i gyd eu gwneud i roi hwb i'n lles
Five simple things we can all do to give our wellbeing a boost



Bod yn sylwgar
Take notice

Cymrwch amser i chi'ch hun, sylwch ar bethau o'ch cwmpas a sawr wch y foment

Take time for yourself, notice things around you and savour the moment



Cysylltu
Connect

Gwnewch amser i gysylltu â ffrindiau a theulu i helpu i gyfoethogi'ch diwrnod

Make time to connect with friends and family to help enrich your day



Bod yn fywiog
Be active

Mae bod yn fywiog yn gwneud i chi deimlo'n dda. Symudwch - dawnsiwch, canwch; camwch allan - ewch am dro, i redeg neu i feicio

Being active makes you feel good. Get moving - dance, sing; step outside - go for a walk, a run or cycle



Dal ati i ddysgu
Keep learning

Gall dysgu rhywbeth newydd fod yn hwyl, gwneud i chi deimlo'n dda a datblygu'ch hyder

Learning something new can be fun, make you feel good and build your confidence



Rhoi
Give

Fe all gweithredoedd o garedigrwydd, helpu eraill neu hyd yn oed gwirfoddoli eich gwneud i deimlo'n hapusach

Acts of kindness, helping others or even volunteering can make you feel happier