## Ysgol Gynradd Llanfair-ym-Muallt Builth Wells Primary School

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## Arrangements for 6<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> January 2021

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are planning for pupils attending tomorrow to be with familiar teachers and teaching assistants. The English Stream Foundation Phase classes will operate as one bubble and the Welsh Stream Foundation Phase classes will form one bubble. We are currently planning for Key Stage 2 classes to operate as individual classes but we will keep this under constant review. Although we expect numbers to be very low, we feel it is better and safer for the groups to be organized in this way, at least to begin with, but we will be monitoring the situation to ensure this arrangement is working well. Hopefully, the following will help you to prepare if you are sending your child / children:

- It will be non-uniform. Children should be in warm clothes and wear coats, hats and gloves in cold weather
- Start time will be 8.50 a.m. for all pupils via the main double gates
- Collection time will be 3.25 p.m. for all pupils. Please come onto the playground to wait as usual and remember to keep at least 2m apart from others.
- School transport will operate as usual.
- Children should bring a fruit snack and a drink
- Children may order dinner at school or bring a packed lunch
- There won't be any breakfast club or after-school club for the time being

Please remember that it is essential you do not send children to school if they are unwell, or if they or anyone in the household is displaying possible symptoms of covid. Please notify us via the office or out-of-hours email address <a href="mailto:covid@builth.powys.sch.uk">covid@builth.powys.sch.uk</a> if you are isolating and requesting a covid test for anyone in your household.



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## Free School Meals

Parents of pupils in receipt of free school meals who do not send children to school will receive a BACS payment or voucher directly from Powys. If your child attends school and has a meal at school you will not receive a BACS payment or voucher for that day, your child will just have a free school meal which will be recorded on our system.

## Pupils Engaging with Remote / Online Learning at Home

We sent home 'Passports to Blended Learning' with every child before Christmas. Foundation Phase pupils also had work packs. The passports will guide you and your child / children through the process of accessing remote learning and show you how they can keep in touch with their teachers and classmates. We are very aware that children are missing their friends and we would urge you to encourage your child to log on to Teams tomorrow, and as often as possible, to join the Chat on their class page. There will also be video messages from teachers.

We fully appreciate the difficulties of managing home-learning once more so please be reassured that we are here to support you. We hope that you will see that we are trying to be realistic in what we expect you and your children to be able to do at home, especially during this first week when we have all had such little notice of the change to opening plans. We will provide paper copies of the work packs to those that requested them before Christmas but ask these parents to bear with us as we attempt to get up to speed with developments. We are also working with the Local Authority to see how we can further develop our approach to Online Learning over the coming days and possibly weeks.

Teachers will be supporting blended learning throughout each school day so please leave messages on your child's Team page if you need assistance or email the office.

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G. Cornelius

Headteacher



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