



Ysgol Gynradd Tairgwaith Tairgwaith Primary School

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Dear Parent/ Carer, RETURN TO SCHOOL

During the course of the Summer Holiday further guidance was released by Kirsty Williams, the Minister for Education in Wales. Also guidance from our Local Education Authority has been received. This has resulted in slight amendments to our original plan that we released in July. Changes are in **BOLD**.

All pupils will return to school on Monday 14th September.

In line with Local Authority Guidance Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September will be used as dedicated preparation and planning days. (Staff only)

Children will be returning to school on Thursday 3rd September.

Our initial plans for 'the return to school' are as follows:

- Year 1, Year 3 and Year 6 will be in school on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September. All pupils in these classes will be asked to return
- On Monday 7th September Year 2 , Year 4 and Year 5 will return
- On Tuesday 8th September The Year 1 and 2 class, Year 4 and 5 class and Year 5 and 6 class will attend
- On Wednesday 9th **Reception children will come to school at 9 am and will leave at 12pm.** All children in the Junior Department. Years 3 to Year 6 attend
- On Thursday 10th Reception children **will visit from 9am until 12pm**, Year 1 and 2 class and all Junior classes will return.
- On Friday 11th all children including current Nursery children will attend. **Nursery and Reception will leave at 12pm**
- A strict cleaning regime will be in place every day.
- Classes will be organised as 'bubbles' and children will spend the day with their class mates in their bubbles. All children will remain with their class teacher, but there may be occasions when this is not always possible.
- Pupils will also be asked to bring a water bottle.
- Children can bring a snack for their break time.
- Break times will be staggered to ensure numbers in any area remain low.
- **From Monday 14th September the canteen will be open as normal providing meals. Lunch will cost £2.35 per day. All parents/carers will be asked to provide a packed lunch for their child/children until the 14th September.**
- Cloakroom areas will be out of use and bags and coats will be stored in classrooms.

- There will be a requirement to wear school uniform. We expect pupils to return in Uniform
- Pupils will be asked to bring in only essential items. This is important in order to minimise items brought in to school. Pupils will need to bring in their own pencil cases. Their pencil case should only contain: one pen, one pencil, a ruler, rubber, sharpener and one small pack of coloured pencils. Pupils will not be permitted to share these items with others.
- Drop off and pick up times will be carefully managed to ensure that we don't have large gatherings at the school gate, by organising staggered start and finish times for each class.
- For everyone's safety you will be able to contact us by telephone **but visits will be by appointment only. Please do not collect pupils early unless in an emergency.**
- **Consideration is being given to when Breakfast Club will be reopened. Further information will be sent as soon as possible. After school clubs will remain closed for the month of September, following Local authority advice.**
- We will ensure toilets are used by one bubble at a time and rigorous hand washing takes place throughout the day. Toilets will be cleaned regularly throughout the day, namely areas of high contact such as door locks, taps, toilet seats etc.
- All pupils will be met by a member of staff at the school gate to avoid groups of people gathering on the school premises. Further details will be issued regarding these arrangements.
- At present for the 3rd and 4th of September and for the week commencing 7th September we intend opening at 8.40 for the first group of children. **We will be staggering school closing ending with the last group of children leaving at 3.15pm**

Year group as of Sept 2020	Time
Reception	8.50am-3.10pm (When pupils are fulltime)
Year 1 and 2 (Ms Morris)	9am-3.15pm
Year 3 and 4 (Mrs Thomas)	8.45am-3.10pm
Year 4 and 5 (Miss Harrington)	8.50am-3.10pm
Year 5 and 6 (Mrs Field)	8.40am-3.15pm

KEEPING THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY SAFE AND WELL IS OUR NUMBER 1 PRIORITY

Please contact the school on 1st or 2nd September if you have any questions.

Can I once again thank you as parents/carers, your wonderful children who we have missed dearly and the staff for your commitment to our school community and your patience and understanding in these unprecedented few months.

Please continue to stay safe and we look forward to seeing you in September for our new normal.

Kind regards,

Nigel Thomas
Headteacher