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### Article 3:

**Everyone that works with children should do the best for them**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we start Week 11 of school closure, and the second half of the Summer Term, I want to start this letter by saying that I hope that you and our fantastic Cwmnedd children are all safe and well, and that we hope as a staff that you and your child enjoyed the video which the staff had created to share a little message with them. A huge Thank You to Mr Horrell for his excellent IT skills and putting the video together for us – he had a tough job to get us all in check and get our photos and clips to him on time, but I am sure you will agree it was worth the wait. There were lots of tears when we saw it for the first time as it reminded us of the children and how much we miss them at school!

This is a really challenging time for us all and such an unusual circumstance, but please remember that school is still here and should you need anything we will do our very best to help and support in any way we can.

Last week I was delighted to welcome Mrs Jenny Wheeler back from her maternity leave, to job share with Miss Rowley. Both members of staff will work together to continue supporting home learning for Year 1 and to make check in phone calls home, as will our other class teachers.

#### Phased reopening of schools in Wales

This week we await a further announcement from the Education Minister for Wales Kirsty Williams which we believe will be given by Wednesday.

**For the foreseeable future, school will continue in its repurposed form, as the childcare hub for children of key workers and vulnerable children.**

I want to thank all of our parents who were able to complete the survey from our Director of Education in Neath Port Talbot to gather your views on schools reopening. All of our results have been summarised and forwarded to him, he has been very grateful to collect so many opinions from all Neath Port Talbot schools.

I am very proud to be Headteacher of our school, but over the last 10 weeks have been proud to be an educator in Wales. I do believe that our Minister has the wellbeing of all children and staff at the forefront of all of her decision making. We will keep you informed of any updates to the position of school.

**HOME  
LEARNING**

#### Home Learning for Week 6 of Summer Term

Home Learning tasks have been placed in your child's classroom on Teams.

Inside the Week 6 Folder you will find a **Home Learning Plan** with ideas for

Literacy and Numeracy, a **Well-Being Plan** and a **Topic Plan**, with the next part of the class on going mini project.

Staff have ensured that there are supporting documents for you to use, **which are now all in the Week 6 folder**, and

links to helpful and useful websites.

Mr Horrell has kindly put together a step by step guide for you and your child to use to show you how to access their classroom in Teams.

**The link below will take you directly to the help sheet:**

[http://d6vsczyu1rky0.cloudfront.net/33360\\_b/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/THL-1.pdf](http://d6vsczyu1rky0.cloudfront.net/33360_b/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/THL-1.pdf)

**or it can be found on our website home page:**

<https://cwmnedd.j2bloggy.com>

We have been so happy to see the work that is being shared on Hwb, and staff have been making comments on any work that has been uploaded for us. This half term, staff will again make contact with families and children in their class. It really is lovely to have a chat with both parents and children.

**We await the Ministers announcement this week, but have continued with our Home Learning tasks. We do not place any pressure on parents to complete tasks. Please take care of yourselves and your children – your wellbeing is of paramount importance to me and all of us at Cwmnedd Primary. We will inform you of any changes to Home Learning.**

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## Eco Schools – Green Flag Renewal



As we went into school closure in March, we received the fantastic news that our school had successfully achieved its fifth Platinum Eco Schools Flag – what an amazing accolade! This is due to the hard work and dedication of both Miss Rowley, Mr Pritchard, our fantastic Eco Committee and all pupils and staff for the work they have done this year – I am sure you will join me in congratulating them all!

This week is **Wales Nature Week** and so Miss Rowley and Mr Pritchard have created some Eco Challenges as part of home learning. Eco Plans can also be found in each class Teams area. We hope you can share some of your tasks with us!

## National School Sports Week 2020

This year, our Sports Day as we know it will not be able to go ahead, but we hope to be able to organise a Sports Week full of activities that can be done at home. This will be in line with Youth Sport Trust - National School Sports Week 2020, which takes place from **20<sup>th</sup> June to 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020**.

As Healthy Schools and PE Coordinator, Mr Farley will be organising a Sporting Spectacular to get us all fit and active, and I am sure will involve us as staff as well as our Cwmnedd families and children.

Watch this space ...!

## Right of the Month for June

As we start a new month, our Right of the Month has changed to **Article 24: The right to good food and water and to see a doctor if you are ill**. This was chosen by our Rights Respecting Steering group from the School Council back in November with Miss Bibb.

## Just a reminder - Our School Website <https://cwmnedd.j2bloggy.com/>

Our website homepage has help guides to help you to upload work to J2e. On our website we have added a Transition page for our Year 6 families and children which will be updated when we receive information from our feeder Comprehensive schools. We have also added a School Closure support area where we will place any information and support documents that we receive or find that will support over this time. We are also adding documents to our website when we receive them from our support teams in NPT.

If there is anything that school can do to support you or your child, please do not hesitate to contact us either by ringing 01639 720220 and leaving a message, or by emailing the school email address [cwmnedd@npt.school](mailto:cwmnedd@npt.school) and I will get back to you.

Please take the best care of yourself and your child, especially with the new easing of restrictions, but please ensure you stay safe, as well as sun safe and follow Welsh Government guidelines for moving forward.

Best wishes and virtual 'Cwmnedd cwtches' to each and every one of our children,

**Miss Sarah Harwood**  
Headteacher



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