



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Ysgol Catholig Santes Fair

As a Catholic Family we will do our best to live and learn as Christ taught us.

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Dear parent/carer,

Thank you for your support, understanding and patience over the past four months. I am grateful to you all for everything you have done to assist your child's learning, your child's school and the local authority at this difficult time.

This letter will provide you with further information in respect of your child/ren will return to school from September 2020.

As a result of the Minister for Education's recent announcement regarding the reopening of schools, the local authority is keen to work with schools and parents/carers to ensure all pupils return to school in September as soon as it is practicably possible to do so.

All Bridgend schools will be open **for staff only** between Tuesday 1 September and Thursday 3 September (inclusive). This period will allow school staff to plan and reconfigure the school in readiness for pupils returning to schools.

Parents are advised that Bridgend schools are **not open for pupils** during this period. From Friday 4 September, certain year groups will start to return to school.

The following table provides further information in relation how pupils will return to St. Mary's School on Friday 4 September.

Headteacher: Mr. Lyndon Watkins, BA (Hons), MA (Ed), PGCE, NPQH.
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. Rachel Azzopardi, B.A (Hons), MA (Ed).



School Day Start/End Times	Friday 4 September
Start: 8.50am End: 3.15pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reception (Mrs. Williams) and• Year 6 (Mrs. Frampton).

Between Monday 7 September and Wednesday 9 September (inclusive), schools will start to welcome more pupils back to school.

The following table provides further information in relation how pupils will return to St. Mary's School during the week commencing Monday 7 September.

School Day Start/End Times	Monday 7 September	Tuesday 8 September	Wednesday 9 September
Start: 8.50am End: 3.15pm	Year 2 (Miss. Chatman), Year 3/4 (Mrs. Bowd) and Year 4/5 (Mrs. Coles/Jones).	Trial day for the routines identified in the Risk Assessment prepared.	Year 1 (Mrs. Parry/Wallace), Year 3 (Mrs. Gmitrowicz) and Year 5 (Mr. Howe).

It is important to note that all pupils return to school on Thursday 10 September.

In line with usual procedures, nursery children will start school on a phased basis. The process for St. Mary's School is set out below.

Pupils will be invited to visit the Nursery during the week beginning September 7th and from September 14th onwards, groups of children will begin their time in Nursery with us. We are looking forward to welcoming you.



In conclusion, I would like to thank you all, once again, for your continuing support at a very difficult time.

I hope you all enjoy the summer break and I look forward to seeing pupils back in schools from September.

Sincerely

Lindsay Iorwerth Harvey (Mr)

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