



# Ysgol Bae Baglan

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see all the children return to school this week. They have settled really well, which they can be proud of. I have also been impressed with how quickly Year 7 have responded especially when the normal transition activities were curtailed in the summer term. In the coming weeks, a number of enrichment activities, clubs, sporting fixtures will re-commence which is really encouraging also.

As you know, Wales is operating at Alert Level 0 which means that schools can begin to operate as normally as possible but we are also mindful that COVID-19 has not disappeared so we continue to regularly review and update the school's risk assessment and procedures in line with the Welsh Government's guidance document 'Local COVID-19 infection decision framework for schools.'

At alert level zero, the fundamental principle remains that the most effective way to prevent transmission of COVID-19 in our schools is to stop infection being brought into the school. If anyone tests positive for COVID-19 they must self-isolate and not attend school. At alert level zero contacts of a proven case of COVID-19 who are under the age of 18 or those who are fully vaccinated do not have to self-isolate unless they themselves start to show symptoms of COVID-19. Anyone with symptoms - a new continuous cough, fever or high temperature or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste - should remain in self-isolation until the test result is known. Please continue to let us know if your child tests positive. We published a letter this week from TTP explaining the procedures and would urge people to familiarise themselves with the protocols if they have not already had a chance to do so. Twice weekly Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing will continue to be offered and pupils can collect test packs during the school day from Reception.

Finally, a couple of reminders:

- School photos are taking place on Monday for Nursery to Year 7 pupils so pupils will need to wear school uniform. There will be no PE for these groups.
- We would again like to emphasise the importance that all parents and all pupils in secondary phase take advantage of the communication benefits of downloading and logging into Satchel 1. Timetables, homework, behaviour reports and rewards and school announcements can all be accessed via a single app. Please ensure you have your login details (for Year 7 distributed during the first week) and contact [ybbitsupport@npt.school](mailto:ybbitsupport@npt.school) if you need help.

- The school uses the following to communicate information to stakeholders in addition to Satchel 1: School Website, Twitter and Facebook accounts. On occasions, we will also send text messages so please ensure that the school has been provided with the most up-to-date contact details.

Yours sincerely,

R. Rees

Headteacher