



# School Newsletter – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

With the Welsh Government confirming that pupils in Year 3 to Year 6 will also be able to return to school from next Monday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of March, I am happy to provide you with the plans for the return of the children.

## Year 3D

Mrs Davies and Miss Richards' Year 3 children and parents enter through the pedestrian gate by the bike shelter (opposite Lidl) and leave through the exit at the traffic lights. Year 3D will start school at 8.45 am and finish at 3.15 pm.

## Year 3/4A

Mrs. Asquith and Mrs. Cameron's Year 3/4 children will enter through the pedestrian gate on Walter's Road and leave through the school car park. The gates will be closed to traffic at this time. Year 3/4 children will start at 8.45 am and finish at 3.15 pm

## Year 5C

Miss Cooze's Year 5 children and parents enter through the pedestrian gate by the bike shelter (opposite Lidl) and leave through the exit at the traffic lights. Year 5C will start school at 9.00 am and finish at 3.25 pm.

## Year 6C

Mrs. Cooke's Year 6 children will enter through the pedestrian gate on Walter's Road and leave through the school car park. The gates will be closed to traffic at this time. Year 6C children will start at 9.00 am and finish at 3.25 pm.

Adults need to wear a mask on school grounds unless you have a Welsh Government exemption card. Please leave site as soon as possible after dropping off/collecting your children. Breakfast Club on the Key Stage Two site will be open as usual from 8.20 until 9.00 am. The school kitchen will be open for lunch, or children will be able to bring sandwiches if they prefer. From next week we will also be able to send reading books home with the children which need to come back in to school each day. Books will be left for 72 hours after being changed and allocated to other pupils.

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- Staff member or pupil got symptoms of COVID-19? Don't attend the school. Stay home and self-isolate, arrange a COVID-19 test and notify the school.
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We hope that this will be the last time that the children will need to be away from school as the rate of transmission of the virus reduces. Please rest assured though that we're still going to be doing what we can to keep the children and staff safe by ensuring that we have good handwashing routines, ventilate the buildings, use masks and other PPE where needed and that the high contact areas are cleaned frequently.

It's been lovely to have the Foundation Phase children back on site and it's so pleasing to hear how the children have benefitted from being back in school. It's lovely that our older children are now going to have the same opportunity to return to school too and I'd encourage parents to return their children to school. It's been a difficult time for families and if there are any things that you think we need to be aware of before your child returns to school, please give us a ring or drop us an email at [melinprimary@npt.school](mailto:melinprimary@npt.school) and we'll do our best to help where we can.

The first two weeks back for the Key Stage Two (Junior) children will be spent helping them to settle back into a positive school routine, helping them to re-build friendships as well as giving the teachers the opportunity to identify gaps in learning. You can help your child to settle back into a school routine by treating this week like the last week of the summer holidays – earlier bed times, earlier mornings and talking to your child about any worries or concerns that they may have as well as talking about what they are looking forward to about returning to us.

On both school sites after Easter, we will be altering our planned curriculum slightly to address the gaps that the teachers will have identified from the Spring term as well as then addressing the skills, knowledge and experiences from the planned Summer term work. They will be put together, in a theme that the pupils will enjoy, to continue to make the learning fun while helping the pupils to catch up.

As always, if you have any questions, worries or concerns, please get in touch with us at the school and we'll do our best to help out in any way that we can. You can contact us by phone on 01639 645414 or by email on [melinprimary@npt.school](mailto:melinprimary@npt.school).

T. Richards  
Headteacher

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