



Dear Parent/Carer,

10th February 2021

School will re-open to all children in the **Foundation Phase** (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) on **Tuesday February 23rd, 2021**.

Monday 22nd February is a preparation day for Powys schools- there will be no blended learning for Foundation Phase or Key stage 2 children on the Monday.

Childcare for the children of critical workers and vulnerable learners will be available on the Monday (9.00-3.15).

Breakfast club will run as normal from Tuesday 23rd February (starting at 8.15).

From Tuesday 23rd, children in the junior classes (Key Stage 2 Years 3 to 6) will continue with blended learning at home until the Welsh government determines a return to school date for these children.

The hub will continue to operate for the KS2 junior children of **critical workers** and **vulnerable learners**. As previously, these places must be booked in advance on a weekly basis. The school will apply the strict criteria for eligibility – at the end of the day, we have to keep numbers as low as possible to reduce the risk of transmission within the school and the wider community. The message from the Welsh Government is that children in junior classes and older should be at home whenever possible.

Within school, social distancing rules will be adhered to where possible and children will still be required to hand wash and/or sanitise on a regular basis.

Children who are ill or show any symptoms of covid must not attend school. Parents must be very cautious and not send ill children (even mildly unwell) to school. **Parents must err on the side of caution at all times and not send children in with cold/flu/covid symptoms.**

A few reminders for parents:

- Only one adult should drop off and collect children.
- Parents must respect social distancing rules at all times.
- Face masks must be worn by adults at all times- do not come onto the school site without a mask.
- Parents are not permitted to enter the school building. Should you wish to speak with a teacher, please telephone the school.
- There will be a staggered start and end to the day for Foundation Phase children.
Start of day: children to arrive between 8.45 and 9.05. Children go straight to their usual classrooms.
End of day, please collect between 2.55 and 3.15. This 20 minute period will support other social distancing measures in place. Please do not wait outside classrooms before 2.55.
- If walking, please use the one-way system, exiting the school via the single gate (Caenbrook Meadow end). Ensure others who may be doing the school run e.g. grandparents, are aware of this. One or two adults are also entering the school via this gate- PLEASE FOLLOW THE ONE WAY SYSTEM.
- Uniform is to be worn by Foundation Phase children and those attending the KS2 hub.
- If you are in a car, you may go back to the car park but please socially distance from all other people. Please leave bikes and scooters at home.
- Please report the absence of a child in the normal way.
- The KS2 hub will operate 9.00-3.15. Children can be dropped off/collected at other times. Please keep the school informed.

Many thanks.