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Coronavirus / Covid-19 Update – June 22nd 2020

Dear Parent/Guardians,

I write to you this afternoon to provide you with a school's response to the announcement on late Friday afternoon that schools will not open for the 4th week of the Check In, Catch Up and Prepare sessions (Monday 20th – Friday 24th July) as originally announced by the education minister.

Our plan for reopening has not been affected significantly by the announcement with our **Check In, Catch Up and Prepare sessions** being planned for the first three weeks. School had originally planned to use the additional week for staff training and preparation for the autumn term. However, the closure of school will affect our **Key Worker Provision**. We will now be ending our provision on **Friday 17th July at 3.00pm**.

Parents/Guardians will need to plan for childcare provision for the summer holidays as they normally would. I have today spoken to the Dragons Daycare team and following guidance published specifically for childcare settings I can confirm that Katie and the team are provisionally looking to reopen on **MONDAY 20th JULY**.

For anyone wishing to enquire about the services of Dragons Daycare over the summer holiday period they will need to contact Katie and the team directly on 07849140554 or access the Dragons Facebook page for further information.

PLEASE NOTE – Dragons Daycare will need to follow extensive social distancing requirements so numbers are likely to be limited.

Although key worker provision will continue to operate until the 17th July, I would like to take this opportunity formally to thank the parents/guardians and most importantly, the pupils who have attended the provision for your positive support and outlook in what have been challenging and difficult times. As key workers, you have been at the heart of the battle against Coronavirus and on behalf of everyone; we thank you for your efforts. I would also like to thank and congratulate staff who since repurposing on Friday 20th March have opened daily including volunteering over holiday periods and bank holidays. They have worked hard to continue to provide a wide range of activities whilst also ensuring pupil and staff wellbeing.

Schools Risk Assessment Update

The schools risk assessment has been verified by the governing body and is currently with the local authority. We await the final report but from informal discussions to date, we have made **one** change to our original plans.

- The year 3 bubble originally planned for week beginning 29th June will now commence week beginning the **13th July**.
- The year 5/6 bubble originally planned for week beginning 13th July will now commence week beginning the **29th June**.

Any further amendments will be shared with you via communications once we have received our final report from the local authority.

Revised Check In, Catch Up and Prepare timetable & timings

Date	Foundation Phase Bubbles	Staff Member	Key Stage 2 Bubbles	Staff Member
W/B 29 th June	Foundation Phase 1	Mrs J Jones	Year 5/6	Miss C Harris
W/B 6 th July	Foundation Phase 2	Miss H Jones	Year 4/5	Miss C Roberts
W/B 13 th July	Foundation Phase 3	Mrs J Evans-Jones	Year 3	Mrs T Humberstone

Each bubble will run on a **Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday**. This approach allows school to undertake a deep clean on the Thursday and Friday and allow the recommended 72-hour quarantine period before a new 'bubble' accesses the school site.

Foundation Phase Groupings

Mrs Jones and Mrs Evans-Jones will today be informing you of your child's grouping via SEESAW. This message will only include what 'bubble' your child(ren) will be in **NOT** all pupils in that 'bubble'. Staff are **NOT** able to share the names of other pupils on individual SEESAW accounts due to GDPR regulations so we politely ask that you do not ask staff 'who else is in their bubble?'

School Uniform Update

I can also confirm that we have today received confirmation that our suppliers GEE(UK) are returning to normal services and as a result we will be publishing a downloadable uniform order sheet this week on the school website and via SEESAW.

All orders need to be returned to school by **Friday 10th July** with payment by cheque only (payable to **Ysgol Tanyfron School Uniform**) Due to the current circumstances all orders will be available for collection on **Tuesday 1st September**.

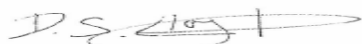
Welsh Government Guidance

Ours and the local authority decision-making continues to be based on guidance from the following document - **Keep Education Safe: Operational guidance for schools and settings (COVID-19)** for any parents/guardians wishing to read the guidance please follow the link below –

<https://gov.wales/keep-education-safe-operational-guidance-schools-and-settings-covid-19>

As always, can I thank you for your continued support. Please keep yourselves safe and well.

Yours sincerely



Mr D. Lloyd
Headteacher