



20th January 2021

SECONDARY PHASE PUPILS – REMOTE LEARNING

Dear Parent / Carer

Our pupils have been working remotely since Christmas and we continue to be proud of the engagement pupils are showing online, however, we are concerned about the significant increase in screen time this means for many of them.

In order to improve pupil wellbeing, the times of the school day will be changing. Lessons will become slightly shorter, allowing time for pupils to step away from the screen during the day and lesson 5 will finish at 14:20, allowing pupils to make the most of time outdoors in natural light, whilst abiding by Welsh Government restrictions. This will impact positively on wellbeing.

From Monday 25th January, the times of the school day for all pupils will be as follows:

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:50 Lesson 1

10:00 – 10:50 Lesson 2

10:50 – 11:10 Break

11:10 – 12:00 Lesson 3

12:10 – 13:00 Lesson 4

13:00 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:20 Lesson 5

As you are aware, our remote learning is structured through Microsoft teams. This allows for a constant dialogue between teacher and pupil whilst the lesson is ongoing. I would like to just remind pupils that where they message staff in the late afternoon/evening, there may not be a response until the following day.

I understand how the difficult the current situation is for all of you and thank you for the support you are providing us as a school and of course, your children, through these very testing times.

If there is anything that you need from us, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind Regards

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