



10th September 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we end our first full week in school I thought it appropriate to write to you and update you on some key issues.

I would like to thank you for the support you have shown your children and the school. It has been a fantastic start by the pupils – they all look smart and are focused on their learning.

Covid update

Cases continue to rise within the community and I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that if you, your child, or anyone you live with displays any of the following symptoms, then that individual must stay at home and follow advice from Public Health Wales:

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- A loss of or change in your normal sense of taste or smell.

A Covid 19 test should also be arranged by calling 119 or through <https://gov.wales/apply-coronavirus-test>.

It is still a legal requirement to wear face coverings whilst travelling on the Home-school transport. Pupils have been reminded and unfortunately, I have to alert you to the fact that if your child is not wearing a face covering for travel, then they could be prevented from travelling. If you require any further information on this matter, please contact home-school transport within the Local Authority.

The guidance for schools states that if there is a positive case in a household, children under the age of 18 can still attend school as long as they are not showing any symptoms. This is a concern, as it could increase the risk of the virus entering school. **I would ask that if there is a positive case in your family home that you do not send your child into school for the duration of the isolation. This would help substantially with controlling the spread of the virus within school.**

We have now asked staff to resume wearing face coverings whilst working with the pupils and reminded pupils that they can also wear face coverings if they wish.

Any visitor to the school building will need to wear a face covering.

Again, I would like to thank you for your co-operation and your support.

Kind regards

Shaun Clarke

Headteacher