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Parent/carer information - January 14th 2021

Value of the month - Teamwork

Dear parents/carers

Children have now been back in school for a week and have settled well into the new term working on new topics in class.

Thank you for your cooperation with minimising the congestion at the gates at the beginning and end of the school day. There has been far less crowding this past week at the gates.

Due to the potential impact of the Covid-19 Omicron variant things in school can change quickly. We will continue to run as normal (including breakfast club) unless a shortage of staff means we cannot do so. Managing the 'high risk' currently in place requires support from our whole school community.

Key measures include:

- staff test three times weekly using Lateral Flow Tests
- all staff and visitors to school (unless exempt), are to wear face coverings in all areas in school where distancing cannot take place
- parents/carers wearing masks when dropping off and collecting children
- minimal mixing of pupils in different classes where possible
- pupils will sit at class tables in breakfast club and at lunchtimes
- staggered break times for different classes/phases
- regular handwashing and hygiene procedures
- adequate ventilation (as well as use of CO2 monitors)
- maintain current levels of cleaning

If you have a child travelling to school on the bus, you will have received a text regarding wearing masks on the bus. Please note that masks on bus are advisable if you are concerned about the risks of your child mixing with children from other classes. Masks for primary age children are not mandatory and the decision is at the discretion of parents/carers.

Changes to self-isolation arrangements

All adults who are fully vaccinated and children (5 - 17 years) are now asked to take LFT tests every day for 7 days if they are identified as a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case. This is known as 'Daily Contact Testing'. These tests need to be done before coming into school. Individuals only need to isolate if the test is positive or if symptoms develop in which a PCR test should be booked as soon as possible.

Children under 5 do not need to test or self-isolate but they should not attend school if they show any symptoms of Covid.





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Attendance Award - best class

The class with the best weekly attendance is Dosbarth Pwll Du. Pupils can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 14th January as a reward. Thank you for your support with attendance. We don't count any Covid related absences in identifying best attendance in classes.

Welsh phrase of the fortnight

FP	KS2
Ga i...?	Oes... gyda ti?
Can I have...?	Do you have...?

Rights' Respecting Schools - We are a Silver Rights' Respecting School

Rights of the month

World Religion Day 14th January

Article 12 - Respect for the views of the child

Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right always applies, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.

Article 29 - Goals of Education

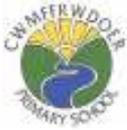
Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures and the environment

Holocaust Remembrance Day 27th January

Article 2 - Non-discrimination The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

Article 19 - Protection from violence, abuse and neglect Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents or anyone else who looks after them.





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Diary dates for Spring and summer term:

14/01/22	World Religion Day
18/01/22	Martin Luther King Day
25/01/22	St. Dwynwen's Day
27/01/22	International Remembrance Day Holocaust
February	LGBT History Month
01/02/22	Chinese New Year starts
04/02/22	Welsh language music day
07/02 - 13/02/22	Children's mental health week
21/02/22 - 25/02/22	Half term
28/02/22	Return to school
01/03/22	St David's Day
01/03/22	Shrove Tuesday
07/03/22	Parent Panel - meeting for parents/carers to discuss school priorities with Mr Wharton
08/03/22	International Women's Day





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11/03/22	British Science Week
25/03/22	International Day for of remembrance for victims of slavery
April	Mathematics Awareness Month
04/04/22	World Autism Awareness Day
08/04/22	End of spring term

Celebration Assembly

Every Friday, celebration assemblies are held to recognise excellent work and behaviour in school for each class. Children can also bring items in from home eg medals, awards, certificates. to share successes outside school.

Our current Risk Assessment for Covid-19 means that all assemblies are virtual.

Forest School

Classes won't be visiting our school forest area for the rest of this month and will be using the rest of the school grounds and surrounding area for outdoor learning sessions.

Kind regards

Sarah Truelove

Headteacher

