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Annwyl Rieni / Warcheidwaid,

Diolch i chi am eich cefnogaeth barhaus i gael yr holl ddisgyblion yn ôl i'r ysgol yn ddiogel dros y 3 wythnos ddiwethaf. Mae pob un ohonom wedi ymrwymo i ddarparu'r addysg orau bosibl i'ch plentyn, wrth sicrhau iechyd a diogelwch cymuned ein hysgol gyfan. Diolch i chi am barhau i ddilyn canllawiau iechyd cyhoeddus ac annog eich plant i wneud yr un peth. Maent wedi bod yn glod i chi bob dydd ac rydym yn ddiolchgar iawn. Ni allaf bwysleisio digon pa mor falch ydym o'r agwedd aeddfed y mae ein pobl ifanc wedi'i chymryd tuag at y mesurau diogelwch ac rwyf am ddiolch iddynt ac i chi am hyn.

Rydych chi eisoes yn ymwybodol o'r camau rydyn ni wedi'u rhoi ar waith i sicrhau bod yr holl ddisgyblion yn dychwelyd i'r ysgol yn ddiogel. Rydym yn gwybod y byddwch yn awyddus i ddeall yr effaith yr ydym wedi'i gael yn ystod wythnosau cyntaf y tymor, a beth yw ein cynlluniau i sicrhau bod pob disgybl yn dal i fyny ag unrhyw ddysgu a gollwyd, a beth fydd yn digwydd os gofynnir i ddisgybl aros gartref dros y misoedd nesaf.

Dyna pam yr wyf yn ysgrifennu atoch heddiw er mwyn eich hysbysu'n llawn. Byddwn yn cyhoeddi'r llythyr hwn hefyd yn agored ar ein gwefan ac mae'n cael ei anfon at ein llywodraethwyr.

Ailagor ysgolion

Ers ailagor, a chymryd agwedd raddol, rydym wedi croesawu pob myfyriwr yn ôl ac rydym bellach yn cynnal diwrnod ysgol llawn i bawb. Mae myfyrwyr yn cyrraedd ac yn mynd i mewn i'r adeilad mewn dull rheoledig a bob amser yn gwisgo gorchudd gwyneb dan do pan nad yn eu gwarsi. Rydym wedi gwneud addasiadau bach i'r amserlen ddyddiol i hwyluso rotas ar gyfer amser egwyl ac amser cinio. Yn ogystal, er mwyn diogelu pawb a lleihau cymysgu grwpiau cyswllt, mae pob dosbarth Cyfnod Allweddol 3 yn derbyn eu gwarsi yn yr un lleoliad mewn parth penodol. Mae myfyrwyr yng Nghyfnod Allweddol 4 a 5 yn symud rhwng gwarsi mewn dull rheoledig.

Presenoldeb

Yn ystod yr wythnos gyntaf o ailagor llawn roedd presenoldeb ysgol gyfan yn 92.9% ac ers hynny mae wedi gostwng ychydig yr wythnos hon i 88.9%. Mae yna lawer o ffactorau ar gyfer hyn gan fod dechrau tymor newydd fel arfer yn dod â rhai anhwylderau cyffredin. Fodd bynnag, rydym ychydig yn bryderus bod rhai myfyrwyr yn colli amser dysgu hanfodol ar ôl cyfnod hir o'r ysgol. Os oes gennych unrhyw beth y mae angen i chi ei drafod o ran cefnogaeth i'ch plentyn fynychu'r ysgol yna cysylltwch â'n Tîm Lles.

Cyflawni'r cwricwlwm

Ers i ni ddychwelyd i gynhwysedd lawn, rydym nawr yn ailgyflwyno'r cwricwlwm yn llawn i'r holl fyfyrwyr ar ôl iddo gael ei atal dros dro ar ddechrau'r cyfnod clo. Mae ein cyfadrannau'n gweithio'n galed gyda'n myfyrwyr i addasu i'r newidiadau cyfredol mewn cyrsiau TGAU a TAG ac i gydnabod bylchau mewn gwybodaeth a dysgu. Blaenoriaeth allweddol i ni ar hyn o bryd yw sicrhau bod yr holl fyfyrwyr a staff wedi'u hyfforddi'n llawn i ddefnyddio Microsoft Teams yn effeithiol fel ein prif blatfform dysgu digidol. Mae ein staff TGCh yn gweithio'n galed gyda myfyrwyr mewn gwarsi i sicrhau bod y sgiliau hyn ar waith rhag ofn y bydd yn rhaid i'r platfform ddod yn brif adnodd dysgu pe byddai unrhyw gyfnod o gloi'n rhannol neu lawn.

Iechyd Meddwl a Lles

Wrth i ni i gyd ddod i arfer â'r ffordd newydd o weithio mae'n amlwg bod y cyfnod clo wedi gadael rhai â phryderon, neu bryderon iechyd meddwl, newydd neu gynyddol. Mae ein Tîm Lles yn gweithio'n ddiflino i sicrhau bod yr holl becynnau cymorth ar gael. Rydym wedi datblygu ein tîm a'r gwasanaethau a ddarparwn wrth baratoi ar gyfer y cyfnod ôl-glo. Os oes gennych unrhyw bryderon am les eich plentyn ac yr hoffech siarad â rhywun o'n Tîm Lles yna cysylltwch â ni.



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A gaf i ailadrodd rhai negeseuon allweddol i rieni / warcheidwaid yn yr ysbryd o rannu arfer dda:

1. Cofiwch gynnal pellter cymdeithasol wrth gasglu'ch plant o'r ysgol ac atgyfnerthu'r neges gyda'ch plant os ydyn nhw'n cerdded adref gyda ffrindiau;
2. Mae gwisgo gorchuddion gwyneb ym mhob rhan o'r ysgol y tu allan i'r ystafell ddosbarth yn offeryn hanfodol i atal unrhyw firws rhag lledaenu ymhellach ac rydym yn eich annog i ailadrodd y neges hon yn rheolaidd gartref;
3. Ni all fod unrhyw ymwelwyr â'n safle ysgol ar hyn o bryd heb apwyntiadau ymlaen llaw felly cysylltwch â'r prif dderbynfa os oes angen i chi siarad ag aelod o staff neu os oes angen i chi archebu slot amser.

Fel y gwyrddoch, mae'n ymddangos bod achosion yn codi'n genedlaethol ac mae angen i ni fod yn wyliadwrus o unrhyw risg o ail don. Rydym yn delio â nifer fawr o ymholiadau ffôn ar hyn o bryd ynghylch materion cysylltiedig a materion nad ydynt yn gysylltiedig â COVID-19. Er mwyn eich cefnogi chi fel rhieni / warcheidwaid i wneud y penderfyniadau cywir yn ystod y cyfnod dryslyd hwn, rwyf wedi casglu rhai ymatebion cyffredinol i'r cwestiynau mwyaf cyffredin a ofynnwyd inni. Yn ogystal, rwyf hefyd yn rhannu Siart Llif gyda chi i'ch helpu i wneud penderfyniadau ar sut i ddelio ag unrhyw symptomau a amheuir gartref a phryd i hunan-ynysu neu beidio neu i gadw'ch plant oddi ar yr ysgol.

Unwaith eto, hoffwn ddiolch ichi am eich cefnogaeth barhaus yn yr amseroedd heriol hyn.

COFIWCH DDILYN Y CANLLAWIAU CENEDLAETHOL ER MWYN I NI GEFNOGI'N GILYDD I SICRHAU PARHÂD DYSGU DIOGEL I'N POBL IFANC

Gyda chofion cynnes iawn atoch,

R. Aaron Bayley
Pennaeth



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22nd of September 2020

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for your continued support in getting all pupils back into school safely over the past 3 weeks. All of us are committed to providing the best education possible for your child, while securing the health and safety of our whole school community. Thank you for continuing to follow public health guidelines and encouraging your children to do the same. They have been a credit to you every day and we are very grateful. I cannot emphasise enough how proud we are of the mature attitude that our young people have taken to the safety measures and I want to thank them and yourselves for this.

You are already aware of the steps we have put in place to ensure the safe return of all pupils to school. We know that you will be keen to understand the impact that we have had in our first weeks of the term, and what our plans are to ensure all pupils catch up with any missed learning, and what will happen if a pupil is asked to stay at home over the coming months.

That is why I am writing to you today in order to keep you fully informed. This letter will also be published openly on our website and is being sent to our governors.

School reopening

Since reopening, and taking a phased approach, we have welcomed all students back and are now running a full school day at full capacity. Students arrive and enter the building in a controlled fashion and always wear a face covering indoors when not in their lessons. We have made slight adjustments to the daily schedule to facilitate rotas for break time and lunch time. In addition, to safeguard everyone and reduce mixing contact groups, all Key Stage 3 classes receive their lessons in the same location in a specific zone. Students in Key Stage 4 and 5 move between lessons in a controlled manner.

Attendance

During the first week of full reopening whole school attendance was 92.9% and has since dropped slightly this week to 88.9%. There are many factors for this as the start of a new term usually brings with it some common ailments. However, we are slightly concerned that there are some students missing vital learning time after a lengthy spell off school. If you have anything you need to discuss in terms of support for your child to attend school, then please contact our Wellbeing Team.

Coverage of the curriculum

Since we returned to full capacity, we are now reintroducing the full curriculum to all students after it's suspension at the beginning of lockdown. Our faculties are working hard with our students to adapt to the current changes in GCSE and GCE courses and to recognise in gaps in knowledge and learning. A key priority for us at the moment is ensuring that all students and staff are fully trained in the effective use of Microsoft Teams as our main digital learning platform. Our ICT staff are working hard with students in lessons to make sure these skills are in place in case the platform once again must become the main learning resource in the event of any partial or full lockdown.

Mental health and wellbeing

As we all get used to this new way of working it is clear the lockdown period has left some with new or increased existing anxieties or mental health concerns. Our Wellbeing Team is working tirelessly to ensure that all the support packages are available. We have developed our team and the services we provide in preparation for the post-lockdown period. If you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing and would like to speak to someone from our Wellbeing Team then please contact us.



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May I re-iterate some key messages to parents / guardians in the spirit of good practice:

1. Remember to maintain social distancing when collecting your children from school and re-enforce the message with your children if they walk home with friends;
2. Wearing face coverings in all parts of the school outside the classroom is a vital tool to suppress any further spread of the virus and we encourage you to repeat this message regularly at home;
3. There can be no visitors to our school site at the moment without prior appointments so please contact the main reception if you need to speak with a member of staff or need to book a time slot.

As you are fully aware cases seem to be rising nationally and we need to be vigilant to any risk of a second wave. We are dealing with a large volume of telephone queries at the moment about COVID-19 related and non-related issues. To support you as parents / guardians to make the right decision during this very confusing period I have gathered some general responses to the most common questions that we have been asked. In addition, I am also sharing with you a Flowchart to help you make decisions on how to deal with any suspected symptoms at home and when to and not self-isolate or keep your children off school.

Once again may I thank you for your continued support in these challenging times.

REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE NATIONAL GUIDELINES SO THAT WE CAN SUPPORT EACH OTHER TO ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF LEARNING FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

With my warmest regards,

R. Aaron Bayley
Headteacher