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Dear Parents/Carers of Years 7 & 8

Thank you for your ongoing support during this half term. I am happy to say that, considering the challenges we are facing, it has been a successful return to school with excellent attendance.

Welsh Government have confirmed that a Firebreak will be in place across Wales from the 23rd October to the 9th November. This is intended to combat the rising number of Coronavirus cases across the nation. The first week of this Firebreak will cover the half term holiday. The week commencing the 2nd November will see our school open to all pupils from Year 7 and 8. We expect all pupils from Year 7 and 8 to return to school and school transport will operate as normal. Only pupils in Year 9 and above will be required to stay at home for that week, before returning on the 9th November.

Free School Meals

Free School Meals provision will continue over the half term break. You will receive a food parcel or a BACS payment for this week. This has been arranged by the Local Authority's catering service.

Return to School

Face Coverings

All pupils are required to wear face coverings in all indoor communal areas, which include corridors and the canteen. Parents/carers should continue to provide face masks and a small plastic bag in which pupils can store their covering when not in use. Face coverings are not required in classrooms or outdoor recreation areas where pupils are within their contact group.

Pupils that use home – school transport are required to wear face coverings during each journey. ***Please remind your child to wear their face covering at all times during the journey to and from school.***

PE Lessons

Pupils will still be required to wear their school PE kit on any day where they have a timetabled PE lesson. However, in order to support your child during the cold winter months, please note the following:

- You can purchase PE uniform from Bergoni and pupils can wear it underneath their school jumper.
- In cold weather, pupils can wear tracksuit bottoms over their PE shorts or in place of their PE shorts, **but these must be plain and dark in colour e.g. navy or black.**
- Bright coloured tracksuits with no PE or school uniform visible is not acceptable and this will be monitored by our pastoral staff who will contact home.



Our main priority is the health and safety of the whole school community. Everything is secondary to that. It is our aim as a school to ensure that no child is disadvantaged by this unprecedented situation we find ourselves in. By working together, we can give every child the best opportunity to succeed. As always, I send my warmest wishes to you all. We as a school endeavour to support you and your family in any way we can and I ask you to please get in touch with us at any time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C D Bale', written in a cursive style.

C D Bale
Headteacher