



Dear Parents/Carers,

1.9.20

I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer break, despite the ongoing challenges we all face in the light of COVID 19.

I would like to welcome you all to the start of the new academic year. I would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to our new Year 7 students. This will, of course, be a different start to the year and I want to inform you of several measures we are putting into place to keep everyone safe. It is vital that we all work together to keep everyone safe and ensure that your son/daughter is making progress in school.

We have put many plans in place to ensure that infection does not spread in school. Each year group will have its own entrance and students will stay in 'Year Group bubbles'. In addition, we will now have two separate lunchbreaks to reduce congestion in the Dining Hall.

It is always vital for all students to maintain a 2-metre social distance from adults. In addition, where possible, students should avoid mixing with students from other year groups and exercise social distancing.

In line with Welsh Government guidelines, we are insisting that all pupils wear a face covering in communal areas. We will provide all pupils with two washable face coverings. These should be worn in corridors and communal areas. Masks do not need to be worn in class. Please talk to your son/daughter about the importance of following these important rules on face coverings. We continue to promote the importance of hand hygiene and it is also important to wash school clothes and masks regularly. In addition, it is vital for all pupils to bring the correct equipment to school each day in a bag. This, of course, includes pens, pencils and rulers.

The school will continue to be cleaned on an hourly basis to prevent infection. We will continue to review procedures on a weekly basis. Please ensure that your son/daughter is in full school uniform. This includes all black footwear. On the day your son/daughter has PE, they can wear their school PE kit. Please check the school website for further updates. Thank you for your continued support.

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Yours sincerely

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