

Dear Parent / Guardian,

It is fair to say that we are at an extremely worrying time regarding the speed with which the virus is spreading in our communities. Can I once again thank all of our parents who ensure that our pupils follow Covid safety measures stringently, which are so key to the health and wellbeing of us all.

Following [this statement](#) by the Welsh Government this afternoon, we will move to blended learning from Monday 14/12/20 until the end of term on the 18/12/20. This means the following at Bryn Tawe:

- The school will be open as normal to staff and we will be available to support our pupils and parents remotely with any request or enquiry. It is very important that you contact us to discuss any issues.
- Specific groups of pupils will be invited to attend for well-being support. We will contact parents directly to make these arrangements.
- Pupils in years 7 and 8 only, who are children of critical workers, will have the opportunity to attend. You will receive a direct text message with a link to a questionnaire to inform us of your needs for the week. This will allow us to be able to plan provision for our pupils. We therefore ask you to complete it by 15:00 on Friday 11/12/20 if you need support?

All pupils will be invited to their lessons next week through their calendar on the Teams platform as usual and **there is a clear expectation that all pupils attend all lessons**. We will continue to take registers and contact parents of pupils who do not attend. Ensuring that pupils attend their lessons on a daily basis and are not mixing outside in our communities is key to protecting each other and to contribute towards addressing the current concerning situation.

Usually at the end of term, we plan enjoyable activities for our pupils that will take place virtually through their lessons during the week. These will bring a Christmas feel to lessons so that we can continue to celebrate virtually with our pupils in preparation for the festive period. I hope you will have the opportunity to watch our virtual performances and join us in celebrating the festive period.

If you have any questions on the above, do not hesitate to contact us at the school?

Yours sincerely,

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