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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are contacting you following the COVID-19 Government guidance and what we as a school are doing to stop the spread of the virus.

## The current situation

- The School remains open until further notice from the Government.
- We have cancelled all outings to the community including work experience and swimming at the Leisure Centre
- We have made the decision to cancel parents evening which was planned for the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> of March
- All pupils should attend school unless they are ill.
   The school has a number of pupils who suffer from underlying medical conditions that put them at risk so if your child shows symptoms of any illness I would be grateful if you would keep them home to ensure the health and wellbeing of all pupils and staff in the school.

If your child shows any of the following symptoms they should stay home for 7 days – notifying the school in the usual ways.

- A new, continuous cough
- A high temperature

# What we will be encouraging/supporting children to do

- Wash their hands often with soap especially after arriving at school, after break times, after visiting the toilet and before and after food.
- Ensure they cover their mouth/nose whilst coughing or sneezing (then putting the tissue/handkerchief in the bin)
- If they feel ill, stay at home
- Avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth with hands that have not been washed.
- Bring water to school as filling/re-filling water bottles from the water fountain is prohibited at present.

#### What we ask from you

- If there has been a change in your contact details, please let the staff in the office know as soon as possible.
- Talk to your children about the Coronavirus. It is an anxious time and we
  need them to feel safe and supported. There are social stories and resources
  online to support you or contact the school if you need a paper copy.

Only come into the school if it is ESSENTIAL to do so. If it is, make sure you
wash your hands on arrival and before leaving.

#### **Future developments**

It's impossible to predict what the Governments next steps will be. Regardless, using common sense and flexibility is a must whilst we adapt to these developments. We will remain open until Government guidelines state otherwise. Although, it is possible due to staff absences, that we make adaptations to the day to day running's – these may include:

- · reducing the school day,
- increase class sizes
- closing classrooms, closing departments or partially closing the school
- making adaptations to the Curriculum lessons.

### **Urdd Gobaith Cymru-**

We are awaiting an update from Urdd Gobaith Cymru for further information on the Eisteddfod and if Glan Llyn residential visits will continue. We will update you once we receive any information from them.

In the meantime we will update you once we find out more from the authority or the Welsh government.

See the following websites for more information on COVID-19:

https://llyw.cymru/canllawiau-ar-covid-19-ar-gyfer-lleoliadau-addysgol

https://llyw.cymru/beth-iw-wneud-os-oes-gyda-chi-symptomau-coronafeirws? ga=2.230452636.166488763.1583928235-2065945800.1550663636

Thank you very much for your willing co-operation during this difficult period.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Donna Rees Roberts

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