

Ebbw Fawr Learning CommunityCymuned Ddysgu Ebwy Fawr

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are all keeping well.

The last three weeks of "Check in and Catch Up" have gone really well and meeting your children again has been a real pleasure. I'm sure your children will testify that we went further than most in delivering actual lessons in numeracy, literacy and Science, and many of these were live lessons broadcast across the school. Who would have thought that was possible before lockdown!

We have learnt a lot over this period, and this has enabled us to quickly develop our plans for a full re opening in September. Whilst there may be some changes over the summer depending on the COVID situation, I felt it really important that we share our thinking with children and parents before we break up on Friday. As a parent myself, I know that this advance notice will help families prepare for September.

The First week in September

- Tuesday 1 September will be a planning day for all staff on both phases.
- Wednesday 2 to Friday 4 September will be a staggered start in both phases. This will enable
 the school to test systems and prioritise year groups and students in preparation for full
 reopening.
- In the Secondary Phase Year 7 will start on Wednesday 2 September and Year 11 will join them on Thursday 3^r and Friday 4 September.
- In the Primary Phase all children will have 1 transition/wellbeing day between Wednesday 2 September to Friday 4 September.

The Second week in September

 All children will be expected to return to both phases on Monday 7 September and attendance will be compulsory.

Mrs Llewellyn (Head of School Primary)and Mrs Thomas (Head of School Secondary)will share with you further details over the next few days specific to year groups, curriculum, health and safety, new systems and rules, and expectations of students and parents.

Following our successful **Facebook live** question and answer session for Year 6 this week, we have organised another session on Wednesday 26 August centred around "**What will school be like in September?**" The Primary Phase session will be at 3.00pm and the Secondary Phase at 4.00pm. These sessions are scheduled so that they are exactly one week before school returns and we will be in a position to answer all of your questions at that point. Access details to this event will be shared on our social media platforms closer to the event.

Stay Safe and have a great summer

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