



YSGOL HIRADDUG

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Reopening of school

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are still keeping well.

I am now in a position to send you the key information regarding the return to school this week. There are many factors which have been taken into account, and due to this, we have had to wait until this point before we can finalise the systems in order to ensure the correct protocols are in place. As you can imagine, this has been particularly difficult when the guidance changes so often. The information is outlined below:.

Please note that we have different arrangements for entrances and start times on Thursday and Friday this week. This is because the children will be in their classes with their teachers from last year.

The new permanent arrangements will start on Monday 7th September.

Arrangements for Thursday 3rd September and Friday 4th September:

- Children will be in the classes they were in before the summer holiday.
- School will start and end at the normal times.
- Children will arrive and leave through specific entrances, where they will be met and escorted by school staff. (For those children who returned to school after lock down, these are the same as the entrances each class used for the last three weeks in July).
- The designated entrance and exit points are as follows:

Mrs Marshall/Mr Dain's class: Please come through the bottom gate on Cwm Road. Make your way up the path around the side of the building to the door into the classroom. Mr Dain will be there to greet you.

Mrs Makin/Mrs Luke's class: Please come through the top gate on Thomas Avenue and make your way to the usual Year 1 entrance. Mrs Luke will be there to greet you.

Miss Collings/Mrs Roberts' class: Please come through the top gate on Thomas Avenue and make your way past the usual Year 2 entrance, over to the Nursery/Reception door. Miss Collings will be there to greet you.

Mrs Wilkins class: Please come through the bottom gate on Cwm Road. Make your way up the path to the boys' cloakroom door. Mrs Wilkins will be there to greet you.

Mrs Lloyd/Mr Lofus' class: Please come through the gate from the park and make your way to the girls' cloakroom door. Mr Loftus will be there to greet you.

Mrs Rowlands class: Please come through the gate from the park and you will see Mrs Rowlands there to greet you. She will then lead you into school.

Arrangements from Monday 7th September:

- Children will start in their new classes with their new teachers
- There are designated start and finish times for different year groups (outlined below). This is to ensure that social distancing measures can be adhered to.
- Children will arrive and leave through specific entrances, where they will be met and escorted by school staff. (Outlined below).

Reception:

Please follow the times that your child has been given in previous correspondence

Use the normal Reception door

Year 1:

Start at 9.00am – Finish at 3.10pm

Use the normal Year 1 door

Year 2:

Start at 8.50am – Finish at 3.00pm

Use the normal Year 2 door

Parents must leave the school premises as soon as possible after handing their children over so that the area is clear for the next group to arrive. It would help with social distancing also if it can be limited to one adult bringing children on site.

All Junior classes (Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6):

Start at 8.55 – Finish at 3.15

Children must use the bottom gate (gate will open at 8.45am) to enter the school and leave the school. Staff will meet the children at the gate. Staff will also be on duty on the yard to meet them as they walk up to the school building. At home time, staff will bring the children down to the gate to hand over to parents.

Whilst we have worked hard over the last week to mitigate the risks of COVID-19 in school, it is important to note that the measures we put in place will be the 'new normal' for the time being and we will continue with these measures for the foreseeable future.

No parents/carers will be allowed into school, if you need to speak to staff this must be done over the phone or by writing a note/letter.

General Information:

- School uniform must be worn
- It is important that all pupils bring a bottle of water with them as water fountains will not be accessible during this time. The bottle must be taken home each day to be cleaned. Please make sure they are labelled
- Children will be taught about hand washing and social distancing and reminded of school rules whilst attending.
- Travel in the school will be kept to a minimum. • There will be no large gatherings e.g. – pupils will have no whole school services in the school hall, only collective worship in class.
- Safety will be risk assessed by the Senior Leadership Team regularly.
 - First Aid stations will have PPE available.
 - No books will be taken home and returned.
 - Children are not permitted to bring in any toys or items from home other than their coat, water and lunch box.

- Please ensure that the children have their coat with them in school

I'm sure that there are still many questions which you may have, please contact your class teacher and we will get a response to you as soon as possible. We will update you and provide further information as we receive it.

Stay safe and take care,

Tristan Hughes