

Dear Parents,  
Blwyddyn Newydd Dda/Happy New Year!

I've re-posted the letter from WCBC below.

As soon as I have more information about arrangements for next week, I will put out the details in another newsletter.

Stay safe and well,  
Mrs Whitgreave

Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to thank you for your continued support during this very difficult term. It has been extremely challenging and we appreciate the continued impact that this situation is having on all of our lives. Unfortunately, as we start to make arrangements for the Christmas break, the situation is rapidly changing. As you will have seen in the news, a national statement has been made regarding the beginning of the new term.

In consideration of the rapidly changing picture, Local Authorities have been advised by the Welsh Government that a flexible approach at the beginning of the term will be necessary, particularly as it is anticipated that numbers may rise following the Christmas break. As a result, we have considered the best and safest way to put in place arrangements for the new term. This has been done with the Local Authority and the Governing Body (and the diocese if applicable).

As you are already aware, we have INSET at the start of the term. The new term will begin on 5<sup>th</sup> January and education provision will be made through **online learning at home** for the first week of term. This decision has been taken on the basis of the local context and concerns regarding the potential position after the Christmas break. Face to face provision will be available for children of blue light critical workers and children who are considered to be vulnerable on the third day of opening; Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January. However, it is understood that provision may be required for some children of frontline blue light critical workers on the first two of the online learning days. If you require provision and are unable to make alternative arrangements please contact us on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January so that we can discuss the required arrangements. Please know that the school will be officially closed on Tuesday and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January, this provision is critical care for blue light critical workers only.

Whilst it is intended for all pupils to be in school for face to face learning by Monday, 11th January, 2021, if it is safe to do so, we will contact early during the week ending 8<sup>th</sup> to inform of arrangements for the following week.

We appreciate that this is a very stressful and anxious time for you and would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding.

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Annwyl Riant / Warchodwr,

Hoffwn ddiolch i chi am eich cefnogaeth barhaus yn ystod y tymor anodd hwn. Mae wedi bod yn gyfnod heriol iawn ac rydym yn gwerthfawrogi'r effaith mae'r sefyllfa yn ei chael ar ein bywydau i gyd. Yn anffodus, wrth inni ddechrau gwneud trefniadau ar gyfer y Nadolig, mae'r sefyllfa'n newid yn gyflym. Fel fyddwch wedi ei weld ar y newyddion, mae datganiad cenedlaethol wedi ei wneud ynglŷn a dechrau'r tymor newydd.

O ystyried y darlun sy'n prysur newid, mae Awdurdodau Lleol wedi cael eu cynghori gan Lywodraeth Cymru y bydd angen hyblygrwydd wrth ddechrau'r tymor, yn enwedig gan fod disgwyl i niferoedd achosion godi yn dilyn cyfnod y Nadolig. O ganlyniad, rydym wedi ystyried y ffordd orau a mwyaf diogel i drefnu dechrau'r tymor. Mae hyn wedi ei wneud ar y cyd a'r Awdurdod Lleol a'r Corff Llywodraethol (a'r esgobaeth os yn gymwys).

Fel gwyddoch, mae gennym ddiwrnod hyfforddiant ar ddechrau'r tymor. Bydd y tymor newydd yn dechrau ar 5th Ionawr a bydd dysgu yn digwydd ar lein am wythnos gyntaf y tymor. Mae'r penderfyniad hwn wedi ei wneud ar sail cyd-destun lleol a phryderon ynglŷn a'r sefyllfa bosibl ar ôl gwyliau'r Nadolig. Bydd darpariaeth wyneb yn wyneb ar gael i blant gweithwyr allweddol a disgyblion sy'n cael eu hystyried yn fregus ar y trydydd dydd o agor. Fodd bynnag, deallir y bydd angen darpariaeth ar gyfer rhai ar y ddau ddiwrnod cyntaf os ydynt yn blant i weithwyr rheng flaen allweddol. Os oes arnoch angen darpariaeth arnoch a'ch bod methu a gwneud unrhyw drefniadau eraill, cysylltwch a ni ar ddydd Llun, y 4ydd o Ionawr er mwyn trafod y trefniadau angenrheidiol.

Disgwylir y bydd pob disgybl yn ôl yn yr ysgol i gael gwersi wyneb yn wyneb ar ddydd Llun yr 11eg o Ionawr, 2021, os fydd yn ddiogel i hynny ddigwydd byddwn yn cysylltu a chi yn fuan yn ystod yr wythnos yn dechrau 8fed i rannu gwybodaeth am drefniadau'r wythnos ganlynol.

Gwerthfawrognw fod hwn yn gyfnod pryderus i chi a hoffwn ddiolch i chi am eich cefnogaeth a'ch dealltwriaeth barhaus.