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Dear Parent / Guardian,

We are really looking forward to welcoming children back to school next week. Over the past three weeks we have been working hard making the preparations for the children to return. The school has been thoroughly cleaned and new signs have been displayed around the school. Social distancing measures will be in place at all times and I urge all parents to adhere to this when waiting on the pavement outside the school. Please remember that the next three weeks will be non-uniform for pupils and staff.

Your class teacher should have contacted you with information regarding the day and time that your child is to attend school. There will be no access to the school premises for parents and all children will be collected at the relevant access gates by a member of staff. At the end of the session, pupils will be returned to the same gate for collection. The access gates will be clearly marked with a number. Pupils attending the Hub should come to the main reception on Monday morning and collected in the same way at the end of the session.

Pupils will line up outside the external door to their classroom on the stars or footprints that have been sprayed on the ground. When they enter the classroom they will use the hand sanitiser to clean their hands before washing their hands with soap and warm water. All coats and lunch boxes will be kept in the classroom. Pupils will only access the corridor areas to use the toilets.

We will endeavour to make use of the outdoor areas whenever possible. Please ensure that pupils have sun cream applied before they come to school. Pupils may also bring a hat which can be worn in the outdoors.

All staff have been advised to follow the two metre social distancing rule in line with guidance from the Welsh Government. Naturally, this will be very different for children as they are used to being close to the teacher and their friends. When we return to school this will not be possible.

All pupils attending the Hub and in Key Stage 2 will need to bring a packed lunch to school with them. Please be aware that there will be no catering facilities on site. Drinks will be provided for pupils in the Foundation Phase but pupils in Key Stage 2 may bring a water bottle to school with them.

The only things that pupils should bring to school are a coat and a lunch box or snack. Please do not send any other items into school with children as we need to limit the amount of items entering the building. Pencil cases, toys, balls, etc. should not be brought to school under any circumstances.

Please do not send your child to school if they are displaying any of the symptoms of coronavirus. Any pupils who display symptoms in school will be taken to the isolation room and will need to be collected immediately. They must then self-isolate for seven days in line with guidance from Welsh Government. If anyone in your household is unwell then children should not attend school.

If you have any questions regarding this letter then please do not hesitate to contact me at the school. Please continue to adhere to the guidelines which are in place and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C George
Headteacher