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CORONA VIRUS / COVID-19

Dear Parent / Guardian

At a time when we are facing a period of uncertainty and understandable concerns, we would like to update you on issues relevant to the COVID-19 pandemic and our preparations at Bryn Celynnog Comprehensive School to ensure the continued education and wellbeing of students and staff. The situation is changing rapidly and you can access the latest advice on:

<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-advice/>

We advise that if pupils are presenting with symptoms they are kept home and that you inform the school office. We ask that you adhere to this advice so that we can ensure a safe environment for our students and staff.

The school is currently open to all. However, we have made a number of adjustments in case the school faces partial or complete closure in the coming weeks. We have prepared banks of work for all year groups and we will ensure that these are accessible via the school website and /or as hard copies, should enforced closure occur.

If a decision is made to close the school in the future, this information will only appear on the official school website and ClassCharts, not via any other Social Media platform. This is to prevent the spread of fake news.

In the meantime, we have cancelled all activities that require staff to be out of school to ensure that we maintain sufficient staff numbers to cover the curriculum in the event that we face a reduction in the number of staff available.

We have postponed all parents' evenings, year assemblies and sporting fixtures for the immediate future and we have cancelled all overseas trips for the remainder of the academic year.

School cleaning protocols have been amended in line with the information issued by Public Health Wales. Please encourage your child / children to wash hands thoroughly and regularly during the school day.

Thank you for your continuing support during this time of uncertainty. I will be in contact again when I have further information to share with you.

Yours sincerely,

Debra Baldock

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