



8th March 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Further to the letter from the portfolio Holder for education at Powys County Council, I'm writing to inform you of our draft plans for the return of students to face to face learning during the period of Monday 15th of March to Friday 26th of March 2021.

Please note, however that while I thought it best to give you as much notice as possible at this stage the plan is provisional. We are currently working with school transport and the local education authority to firm up our plans.

Primary Phase - KS2 arrangements (Years 3, 4, 5, & 6)

All Key Stage Two pupils (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) will be back in school from Monday 15 March. To prepare for their return, there will be no live online teaching on Thursday 11 and Friday 12 March. These two days will be used for blended learning with a focus on wellbeing.

On both days, a project based on Health and Wellbeing activities will be posted on the Class Team that your child belongs to. The key worker bubble will also be open on the secondary phase site for both these days.

As of Monday 15th March, all KS2 pupils will return to school and plans regarding contact 'bubbles' will remain the same as they were for the majority of the Autumn Term.

Drop off will be between 8:45 and 9:00, Mrs Jones' and Miss Ellis' class will enter the front yard through the double gate. Mrs Waldron's and Mrs Davies' class will enter through the main reception gate.

Breakfast club will be provided from 8am and Bobol Bach will also be provided until 5:15, both on the primary phase site.

Pupils will be required to bring a healthy snack for breaktime and a drink. Lunchtime arrangements will be the same and school dinner will be available.

Uniform is not an expectation, warm, sensible clothes to be worn, to allow for lots of outdoor learning.

Secondary Phase – Years 7 - 13

There will be no live online teaching on Friday 12 March. This will be a Wellbeing Day for secondary school pupils. From Monday 15 March, Years 11 and 13 and other qualification years (Years 10 and 12) will attend school on a rota basis.

The plan overleaf, as indicated in the Powys letter and as advised by the Welsh government, prioritises face to face teaching for years 11, 12 and 13, followed by year 10, and then years 9, 8 and 7.

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	Wythnos 1 - Week 1 15.3.21						Wythnos 2 - Week 2 22.3.21				
	LI / M	Ma / T	Me / W	I / TH	G / F		LI / M	Ma / T	Me / W	I / TH	G / F
13	In school	In school	In school	In school	In school	13	On line	On line	On line	On line	On line
12	On line	On line	On line	On line	On line	12	In school	In school	In school	In school	In school
11	A	B	A	B	On line	11	On line	A	B	A	B
10	On line	On line	On line	On line	A	10	B	On line	On line	On line	On line
9	On line	On line	On line	On line	A	9	On line	On line	On line	On line	B
8	On line	On line	On line	A	On line	8	On line	On line	On line	B	On line
7	On line	On line	A	On line	On line	7	On line	On line	B	On line	On line

Social distancing.

Pupils will be expected to socially distance from each other and from staff members when they return to school. This will require students to return to school on a rota basis. This will involve students being in smaller class populations and entire year groups will not be attending school at the same time. Classrooms will be laid out in such a way as to allow for social distancing to happen.

Year 12 and 13 – All in school as per timetable above if they normally have lessons on those days.

Years 10 and 11 – will be in on a rota basis, half a year group at a time.

Year 7, 8 and 9 – will spend half days in school, 10am – 1:45pm, and they will have their own separate organised transport to and from school to ensure social distancing from other year groups.

Group A. Pupils whose surname starts with **A-J** will be in e.g., Paul Jones in Yr 11 should be in on Monday and Wednesday of week 1 and Tuesday and Thursday of week 2 only.

Group B Pupils whose surname starts with **K-Z** will be in e.g., Megan Williams in Year 8 should be in on Thursday of Week 2 only.

Face coverings.

The wearing of face coverings will be compulsory for all staff and pupils of secondary school age whenever they are inside the school building, including the classroom. Face coverings will also be expected to be worn on all home to school transport.



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Blended learning and live lessons

Blended learning and live lessons via Microsoft Teams will continue throughout this transition period for all pupils who are not physically in school. However, it must be noted that some practical subjects may not be able to do this as they will have some pupils in school completing practical activities in their workshops and classrooms.

Uniform

In line with all Powys schools our school uniform rules are relaxed from Monday 15 March until the end of term. Pupils may wear school uniform if they wish, but this is not compulsory. Pupils should wear their PE kit to school if they have that lesson on the days they are in school.

We are really looking forward to welcoming our students back to school. I will contact you again later this week with the final and detailed plans for this phased return to school. Please do not hesitate to contact us here in school if you have any questions or queries.

Yours sincerely

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