

## **Marshfield Primary School**

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#### Dear Parents/ Carers,

I wanted to confirm that the Welsh Government has announced an extension to the period of school closure for face to face teaching. Media reports have stated this will be until half term unless cases fall, however the official letter I have received from the minister this morning states that this will be reviewed on January 29<sup>th</sup>. As soon as I am formally aware of any decisions then I will communicate them to you in a timely manner.

#### **Home/ Blended Learning.**

I hope you all received the information regarding home learning and found this useful. As you are aware, we have trialled live 'Check in and Catch up' sessions with the Year 5 and 6 pupils. We have received really positive responses from pupils who have taken part. Parents of pupils in all classes will receive further information about TEAMS meetings next week. Please remember these meetings are another 'option' of our home learning offer. We believe, a blended approach to online learning involving synchronous (live) and asynchronous (pre –recorded) sessions will have the biggest impact on ensuring pupil wellbeing and achievement during this time.

### **Hub Provision**

Hub provision at school is available for critical and key worker or vulnerable children. **The provision is only to be used as a last resort.** It should be used when both parents are unable to work from home and where there is no other childcare available. The safest place for pupils is at home.

The childcare hub is staffed by support staff. The facility does not provide face to face learning and staff will try to give opportunities to access home learning, however, there are limited devices in school.

A reminder that children should not attend hub provision if:

- They are a confirmed case of covid-19
- Experiencing symptoms of covid-19
- Living with a confirmed case of covid -19
- Identified as a close contact of someone living with covid-19 or
- Living with someone with symptoms of covid-19 who is awaiting a test result.



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Also, a reminder that if children attend the hub provision they will form a 'contact' group and that if there is a positive case then your child will be asked to self-isolate for 10 days as per guidance.

If your child has attended the hub and displays symptoms or goes for a test please let us know by e mail.

Many thanks for your continued support and cooperation at this difficult time, Mrs. L. J. Lewis and the Marshfield Team.