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Dear Parents,

We are at the end of our first full week back in school and we are delighted by how quickly the pupils have settled in. It is lovely to hear a school full of children's voices, laughter and chatter.

Recognition of Symptoms

Under no circumstances should learners or staff attend schools/setting if they:

- feel unwell with any of the four identified COVID-19 symptoms (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or loss of taste or smell) or they have tested positive to COVID-19 in the past 7 days
- live in a household with someone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive to COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

Please inform the school office if your child is ill and has the above symptoms.

Further advice is available at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Request a test via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Lunches

For next week, we will continue with the current system. Could all pupils please bring a packed lunch to school. A cold lunch will be available for pupils entitled to free school meals. We are meeting with Chartwells next week so they can discuss future options for us.

Pandas Update

Mrs. Lewis, the Vice Chair and Pandas management met to discuss Pandas provision at school. The meeting was a useful opportunity to discuss plans and initial risk assessments. The full Governing Body will evaluate the plans for reopening at the beginning of October. It is likely that Pandas will have to make changes to their service in light of Covid restrictions. We will continue to keep you updated.

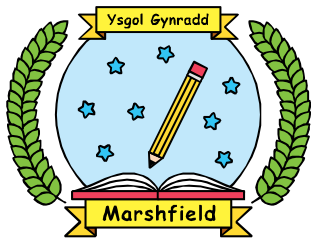
Blended Learning and what will happen in the event of a partial closure

As you may be aware from reading the local news, a number of schools in South Wales have been affected by partial lockdowns.

The school is finalising the details of a high quality distance working model in the event of a possible lockdown. We really hope that this does not happen, but we need to plan for every eventuality. For older children, this will be through the use of the TEAMS platform. Class teachers are currently using a range of collaborative learning platforms to ensure that pupils fully understand the programmes, tools and techniques.

We are also reviewing the use of teacher clips to support pupil progress.

We will send through further details once finalised.



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Entry/ Exit update

For next week, the times for the children in Year 1 – Year 6 to enter and exit the school remain the same.

Reception parents will be able to enter the site from 9.20-9.30am and drop their child off using the one way system. Reception children will finish at 2.45pm using the same collection procedures as this week on the front yard.

We will update you next week regarding any other possible changes. If at all possible, we would like to kindly request that only one adult collects their child in order to minimise the number of adults on site. Please leave the school site immediately following collection using the one way system. As a reminder, on exit, could you please refrain from congregating, especially at the exit gates. These are constantly in use and need to be clear to allow the safe exit of children and parents from site.

We would like to thank you all for your cooperation and patience during this very challenging time. The community has adhered to the new systems brilliantly. We are so proud of how the children have behaved in light of these changes.

Could we please remind parents that, due to current restrictions, you are unable to gain access to the school building. If you have any queries, please contact or email the school office. If you have anything that needs to be passed to your child e.g. P.E. kit, please place in the yellow basket outside the office and intercom the office to let us know it is there.

Fond wishes to Mrs. Pearce

After 20 years of dedication to her many roles here at Marshfield, we would like to let you all know that Mrs. Pearce is moving on to pastures new. We know that you will join with us to wish Mrs. Pearce the very best of luck in her new role, supporting vulnerable adults in the community. She has been an asset to the school and because of her expertise and guidance, she has ensured that pupils have been provided with the best possible support. Her last day will be Friday, 25th September.

Photograph Permission

For our records, could you please update the school if there have been any changes to photograph permission.

Home Learning

Home learning will commence next week and will be sent home by Friday 18th September via SeeSaw or Teams depending on your child's year group.



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Reading Books

If you have any reading books at home that belong to the school, please send them into school with your child so they can be collected by the class teacher.

Pick up for appointments

If you need to pick your child up at any time for an appointment, could you please ring or email the school. Arrangements can then be made based on the age of the child.

Parking

Over the last week, we have been informed of dangerous parking by residents of Springfields. Some were unable to exit the street. We would like to kindly request your consideration when parking around the school grounds.

Thank you all once again for your continued support during this time.

Kind Regards,

Mrs L.J. Lewis and the Marshfield Team