



Ysgol Gynradd Santes Anne St Anne's Catholic Primary School



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Friday 18th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to thank you for your continued support during this very difficult term. It has been extremely challenging and we appreciate the continued impact that this situation is having on all of our lives. Unfortunately, as we start to make arrangements for the Christmas break, the situation is rapidly changing. As you will have seen in the news, a national statement has been made regarding the beginning of the new term.

In consideration of the rapidly changing picture, Local Authorities have been advised by the Welsh Government that a flexible approach at the beginning of the term will be necessary, particularly as it is anticipated that numbers may rise following the Christmas break. As a result, we have considered the best and safest way to put in place arrangements for the new term.

As you are already aware, we have an Inset day on Monday 4th January 2021, so our new term will begin on Tuesday 5th January 2021 where education provision will be made through online learning for the first week of term. This decision has been taken on the basis of the local context and concerns regarding the potential position after the Christmas break. Face to face provision will be available for children of critical workers and children who are considered to be vulnerable on the third day of opening (Thursday 7th January). However, it is understood that provision may be required for some children of frontline critical workers on the first two of the online learning days. If you require provision and are unable to make alternative arrangements, please contact us on Monday 4th January so that we can discuss the required support.

Whilst it is intended for all pupils to be in school for face to face learning by Monday, 11th January, 2021, if it is safe to do so, we will contact early during the week ending 8th to inform of arrangements for the following week.

We appreciate that this is a very stressful and anxious time for you and would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding. Teaching staff at St Anne's need a well deserved break, so please do not contact them about the content of this letter until Monday 4th January.

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Please ensure however that you contact us over this weekend, if you or your children have tested positive for Covid 19 so we can inform the relevant people. After this date as stated in yesterday's notice, you will need to contact Track and Trace.

Enjoy Christmas with close family and keep safe over the festive period.

Prayers and best wishes

Mrs Priest-Jones