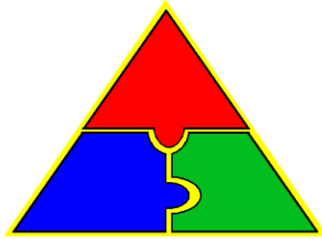


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Friday 18th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Home Learning for the first week of term in January

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. This has been done with the Local Authority and the Governing Body.

As you are already aware, we have two INSET days at the start of the term. **The new term will begin on Wednesday 6th January and 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 (Friday 8th 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 email the mailbox: mailbox@maesymynydd-pri.wrexham.sch.uk in advance so that we can discuss the required arrangements.

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 be in contact 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Dickson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phil Dickson
Headteacher