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Annwyl riant / warcheidwad

Ysgrifennaf atoch gyda diweddariad am ein sefyllfa o achosion cadarnhaol o COVID-19 yn yr ysgol.

Erbyn heddiw, mae 6 disgybl wedi profi'n bosotif, 5 ohonynt yn Blwyddyn 8. Fel y gwyddoch mae **pob disgybl ym mhwlwyddyn 8 yn hunan-ynysu am 14 diwrnod** er mwyn torri'r lledu o fewn y flwyddyn.

Mae 3 aelod o staff wedi profi'n bosotif, 2 athro ac 1 cynorthwydd dosbarth.

Mae proses manwl a thrylwyr o dracio ac olrhain cysylltiadau agos yn gysylltiedig â phob un o'r achosion hyn wedi golygu bod nifer o ddisgyblion a staff yn gorfod hunan-ynysu am 14 diwrnod.

Ar y cyfrif ddiwethaf mae 24 aelod o staff yn gorfod hunan-ynysu yn sgil eu cysylltiadau agos gyda'r achosion posotif. Yn naturiol, mae hyn yn gosod straen fawr ar ein gallu i staffio'r ysgol yn ddiogel ac felly gyda chefnogaeth Cadeirydd y Llywodraethwyr a Dirprwy Gyfarwyddwr Addysg, Awdurdod Caerdydd rwy'n bwriadu gweithredu amserlen fydd yn golygu y bydd disgyblion Blwyddyn 7 a 9 yn cymryd eu tro i ddod i'r ysgol dros y bythefnos nesaf.

Fydd y model hyn yn caniatáu i ni fedru staffio'r ysgol yn ddiogel tra'n cynnal y profiad dysgu i bawb trwy ddysgu cyfunol ac sydd hefyd yn balenoriaethu ein dosbarthiadau arholiad. Rwy'n gwbl ymwybodol na fydd y penderfyniad yn plesio pawb a bu'n rhid i mi ddwys ystyried cyn dod i'r penderfyniad hyn. Yn anffodus mae'r sefyllfa wedi bod yn newid fesul awr drwy'r penwythnos sydd wedi fy ngorfodi i wneud y penderfyniad hwyr yma.

Dyma drefniadau dod i'r ysgol i ddisgyblion Bl 7 a 9 am y bythefnos nesaf:

	Llun, Hydref 5	Mawrth, Hydref 6	Mercher, Hydref 7	Iau, Hydref 8	Gwener, Hydref 9
Pwy sydd yn yr ysgol?	Bl 7	Bl 7	Bl 9	Bl 9	Bl 7
Pwy sydd adref?	Bl 9	Bl 9	Bl 7	Bl 7	Bl 9

	Llun, Hydref 12	Mawrth, Hydref 13	Mercher, Hydref 14	Iau, Hydref 15	Gwener, Hydref 16
Pwy sydd yn yr ysgol?	Bl 9	Bl 9	Bl 7	Bl 7	Bl 9
Pwy sydd adref?	Bl 7	Bl 7	Bl 9	Bl 9	Bl 7


Diolch am eich cefnogaeth drwy'r cyfnod anodd hyn i bawb

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October 4th, 2020

Dear parent / guardian

I write to you with the latest news regarding the number of positive COVID-19 cases in the school.

Currently, 6 pupils have tested +ve to COVID, 5 of the cases are in Year 8 which led to the decision to self-isolate the whole year group for 14 days, in an attempt to break the transmission within the year group. There are currently 3 members of staff who have tested +ve to COVID-19, two teachers and 1 Learning Support Assistant.

We have conducted detailed and thorough tracking and tracing exercises associated with each +ve case which has led to a number of pupils and staff having to self-isolate for 14 days.

Currently there are 24 members of staff who are having to self-isolate as they have been in close contact with our +ve cases during their infectious period. Naturally, having so many staff in self-isolation places a huge strain on our ability to safely manage the school. I have reluctantly come to the decision that pupils in Years 7 and 9 will alternate their time in school during the next fortnight to reduce the pressure on being able to safely staff the school. I have spoken to the Deputy Director of Education in the Local Authority and to our Chair of Governors this afternoon and have received their support for this strategy.

The model allows me to safely staff the school whilst ensuring a continuity in the learning through our blended learning strategy. I am also prioritising the exam classes. I am acutely aware that this decision will create difficulties for parents and I have had to consider all options before coming to this decision. Unfortunately, the situation has evolved hour by hour through the weekend which has led to this late decision.

A summary of the arrangements for Years 7 and 9 for the next fortnight:

	Monday, October 5	Tuesday, October 6	Wednesday, October 7	Thursday, October 8	Friday, October 9
Who is coming to school?	Yr 7	Yr 7	Yr 9	Yr 9	Yr 7
Who is staying at home?	Yr 9	Yr 9	Yr 7	Yr 7	Yr 9

	Monday, October 12	Tuesday, October 13	Wednesday, October 14	Thursday, October 15	Friday, October 16
Who is coming to school?	Yr 9	Yr 9	Yr 7	Yr 7	Yr 9
Who is staying at home?	Yr 7	Yr 7	Yr 9	Yr 9	Yr 7

Thank you for your continued support through challenging times
John Hayes (Headteacher)