

St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Hopefully you have had a chance to check your login for Hwb. Please remember the screen shots from my previous letter about home schooling.

In order to ensure a consistent approach this is how we envisage the system working.

- All work will be placed under the 'Files' section on the class page. Teachers will put activities on the system on a Sunday evening for that week, beginning on Sun 22nd March.
- The teachers may put messages on under the 'Announcements' section.
- The 'Discussion' area can be used by the pupils to discuss what they have been learning. These can be seen by the teacher and all members of the class.
- We are providing parents with the Hwb email addresses of the teachers. Please note, these will only be read during the hours of 9-3, Mon to Friday and teachers will endeavour to reply as soon as they can. Please remember they may actually be in school looking after key workers' children.

Nursery (Mrs Bayliss)	BaylissJ26@hwbcymru.net
Reception (Mrs Lewis)	LewisK56@hwbcymru.net
Year 1 (Mrs Day – Mon-Weds / Mr Walters Weds-Fri)	DayL20@hwbcymru.net WaltersG@hwbcymru.net
Year 2 (Mrs Bounds)	HalseR2@hwbcymru.net
Year 3 (Miss Frangoulis)	FrangoulisS1@hwbcymru.net
Year 4 (Miss Bush)	BushJ21@hwbcymru.net
Year 5 (Mrs Owen Mon-Weds / Mr Mason Weds-Fri)	OwenH32@hwbcymru.net MasonP2@hwbcymru.net
Year 6 (Mr McNicol)	mcnicola@hwbcymru.net

Obviously there is an increasing chance that the teachers themselves become ill and are unable to work, even from home. If this is the case, we ask you are patient with us.

If you need to contact the school for any other queries, the office staff and myself will be able to access the school emails on the usual address standrewsmajorps@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

However, please remember that at this time, the response may not be immediate.

We are aware that the messages from government indicate that schools may not reopen until the Autumn. Obviously that could mean we don't have the chance to hold our usual activities for our fantastic Y6 leavers. Whilst I cannot confirm anything during these uncertain times, we certainly won't let them go without some form of celebration, even if it is as part of their prom in the summer. We have also ordered their leavers' hoodies and will work out how to get them to you.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the amazing team here at St Andrew's. It has been an extremely challenging time for staff as they have looked after the well-being of the children and kept lessons running as usual. We had a special 'fun day' today with dancing, games and singing outside for our neighbours. They have also been preparing all the online resources and passwords etc. to keep the children learning whilst at home. All this whilst they themselves are like everyone, anxious about their own families and the months ahead. Thank you also to the governors and Father Andrew who have been of great support to me in recent weeks.

We have received many messages and comments from parents thanking us for the way we have handled the situation recently and also for the care and guidance the staff have given the children. I cannot emphasise how much this means to us and it really does give the staff a morale boost!

As you know, we will still be in action in one way or another in the weeks and months ahead and I will keep in touch. As I said above, you can also contact us too if necessary.

It has been very strange to see our numbers gradually dropping in the last few weeks and very emotional to say goodbye to you all today, particularly Year 6. Rest assured when this is all over, we will be back as the fantastic school community that we are.

I wish you all good health for the road ahead. Take care and may God bless you all.

Yours faithfully,

Gen Hallett