

St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Friday 25th September 2020

Another busy week comes to an end – they do seem to be flying! Our Nursery pupils have now joined us. The children are settling in to their new routines really well and are making new friends and having lots of fun. The first well-being days have been a great success and I hope the children have told you all about the activities they have been doing.

Staggered start/drop off – *Important Changes for Nursery/Reception*****

A huge thank you for following our one way systems at drop off and collection times. Can I remind you that the morning drop off is until 9am. Learning can't begin properly until all children are in class and from Monday, any children arriving after this time will be marked as late.

The system is working so well that we think we can now move to one collection at the end of the day.

3.00	Bus children escorted to the Bus
3.10-3.20	All parents queuing on yellow spots
3.10-3.20	Y6 pupils walk home (where we have received permission)

Please remember:

- Only 1 adult per family to enter the queue/site.
- At drop off, if the children are happy to go in without you then please feel free to drop them at the gate.
- No dogs on site please
- Observe social distancing at all times.

Lunches

With children eating in classes, this poses problems with providing hot meals. We and our caterers are trying to find solutions as we enter the colder period. From Monday, we will be trialing a 'take-away' style service for Y5 and Y6 only. Depending on the success of this, we will then look to roll it out across the school. The hot baguettes will still be available to Y5 and Y6.

School Photographs

The photographer will be in school next Wednesday. Due to the restrictions, this will be for individual photos only.

Uniform

Please remember that we do expect school shoes - **no trainers please**. (With the exception of well-being days – see below) Please label **all** clothing. We are already finding lost property with no names on, which is especially problematic with younger children. Our supplier Happy Embroidery are experiencing some difficulty with their suppliers at the moment but we will send out orders as soon as we can.

Homework/Spelling

Please see separate letter. Year 1 to Year 6 – please also see the important sheet your child should have brought home today which contains their password.

The teaching staff do have emails via the hwb system. These can be used to query an issue with Seesaw and would also come in to use in the event of a class self-isolation. However, as teachers are busy teaching all day, they will **not** monitor these during the school day so please continue to email the office about anything about your child for that day e.g. bus, appointments etc.

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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 (Mr Mason)	masonP2@hwbcymru.net
Year 6 (Mr McNicol)	mcnicola@hwbcymru.net

INSET Days

These are currently planned as follows:

- Monday 4th January
- Friday 26th March
- Wednesday 23rd June
- Monday 19th July
- Tuesday 20th July

PE/Outdoors (Repeated Message)

As a school, we recognise the importance of pupils' well-being and the fact that this is key to success in all other areas of their school life. We have therefore decided to have a focused well-being day for each class every week. This day will include PE, outdoor learning, Values and other activities to enhance good mental and physical health. Organising it this way will also help with managing the strict contact groups and issues over PE kit etc. On their allocated day, the pupils **must come dressed in PE kit and trainers**.

No PE kits to be brought to school please. This is as follows:

- PE t-shirt in the colour of their house. We have these available from the office. Alternatively your child can wear a plain t-shirt in the correct colour. No brand logos please.
- Black shorts, joggers or leggings. No brands or stripes please.
- Any trainers
- Usual school jumper i.e. red (doesn't have to have the school badge)
- The children should bring a sensible coat with a hood every day – but especially on their well-being day.
- They will need wellies. For pupils in Nursery to Year 4, please provide a pair of labelled wellies that will remain in school. Year 5 and 6 will need to bring labelled wellies on their allocated day but at present we cannot store them in school.

Mondays	Reception / Year 2
Tuesdays	Year 3 / Year 4
Wednesdays	-
Thursdays	Year 1 / Nursery
Fridays	Year 5 / Year 6

Please rest assured, although there are 2 classes listed for each day, the classes **will not be mixed** and will be doing activities at different times. Any equipment used will be cleaned between classes.

If ever you lose sight of any information/newsletters amongst your busy inbox, please remember that I tend to put the most important communications on the website in the 'News' section.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Challett', written in a cursive style.

Headteacher

Our value this half term is Thankfulness:

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. (Psalms 100:4)