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Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Return to School: Weeks beginning 15th and 22nd March 2021

We hope you and your families are all keeping well, maintaining good spirits and staying safe.

Further to last week's ministerial announcement and this week's receipt of the Welsh Government revised operational guidance, I am now in a position to confirm the outline arrangements for the final two weeks of the spring term that will almost certainly be followed by a full return for all learners from the start of the summer term on Monday 12th April.

The arrangements for the return to school at Pen y Bryn follow the advices from the Education Minister Kirsty Williams to facilitate the return of all primary aged learners from the 15th March along with mainstream examination year groups (year 11 and year 13); to phase the return of all key stage 4 and sixth form learners to return by 22nd March and to offer key stage 3 learners the opportunity to have a face to face check in before the end of term.

From Monday 15th March all learners in our Primary school classes will return to school full time for the final two weeks of the spring term. Our Key Stage 4 and Sixth form learners will return for a phased three days of the week, beginning Monday 15th March and return full time for the final week of term beginning Monday 22nd March. Our Key Stage 3 learners will return for two days in each of the final two weeks of term beginning 15th and 22nd of March respectively.

Our priority will be getting back to some sense of normality, within the restrictions that the ongoing pandemic places on us to keep everyone safe. The risks associated with corona virus have not gone away but we are becoming more experienced in managing and mitigating against the risks. The control measures that will support our return are largely the same as those introduced in the Autumn term with the notable

additional requirement for our secondary school aged learners (11-19) to wear face masks inside the classroom. We also have the added support of the continuing impact of the fast moving national vaccination programme and twice weekly testing for school staff.

Learners will return to school according to the following timetable:

WEEK BEGINNING 15 th MARCH					
Pupils	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Foundation Primary	In School	In School	In School	In School	In School
KS3	In School	In School	At home distance learning	At home distance learning	At home distance learning
KS4	At home distance learning	At home distance learning	In School	In School	In School
Sixth Form	In School	In School	In School	At home distance learning	At home distance learning

WEEK BEGINNING 22 nd MARCH					
Pupils	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Foundation Primary	In School	In School	In School	In School	In School
KS3	At home distance learning	At home distance learning	At home distance learning	In School	In School
KS4	In School	In School	In School	In School	In School
Sixth Form	In School	In School	In School	In School	In School

We know that some of you may be anxious about sending your child back to us and that there will also be pupils who are nervous. We will work together as a school community to support and reassure them, whatever their concerns. We very much look forward to welcoming our learners back and the start of a return to normality.

Take care and stay safe.

The very warmest of wishes

Gethin Sutton

Headteacher