

Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School

Newsletter Spring Term Number 1/Cylchlythyr 1 Tymor yr Gwanwyn Monday 10th January 2022/Dydd Llun Ionawr 10fed 2022

Our values for the month are TRUTH and HONESTY

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The staff and governors of Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School would like to wish all our families a very happy New Year! We hope that you had an enjoyable and safe Christmas.

RETURN TO SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS

At the end of last term we shared the latest guidance from the local authority with you. This was the decision to have two non-pupil planning days on the 5th and 6th January.

In addition, it was also been agreed that Friday 7th January would see all schools providing blended learning for all pupils.

The arrangements for this have been shared with you all via email and text.

On Friday 7th January, schools are open for childcare ONLY for vulnerable learners and children of key workers who have booked in. Families have been contacted to confirm their places. All the above applies to Happitots. However, Tinytots is open as usual. Throughout this time, pupils entitled to free school meals, will be provided with vouchers or BACS transfers as before.

MONDAY 10th JANUARY onwards

The school will revert to staggered starts and finishes while the cases of Covid are high in the area. Times should have been texted to you already. If you have not been notified of these times, please contact the school office.

REMINDERS

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some key information

All staff and learners should be reminded to follow the Welsh Government guidance for self-isolation.

Learners should not attend school if they have any COVID-19 symptoms. If a learner becomes symptomatic they should get a test as soon as possible, and self-isolate until the outcome of the test, if the test is negative they can leave self-isolation. Further guidance is available.

Regular handwashing, and respiratory etiquette (Catch it, Bin it, Kill it) are key interventions to prevent spread and manage cases, incidents & outbreaks.

Face coverings should be worn by parents bringing children to school, unless exempt. Only ONE parent should bring a child to school. Please respect the one way system.

IMPORTANT CHANGE

If your child is identified as a close contact of someone with Covid they can still attend school or childcare. However, all children aged 5 to 17 years old (as well as vaccinated adults) identified as a close contact of a positive case must take lateral flow tests (LFTs) every day for 7 days. This is known as 'Daily Contact Testing'. Tests should be taken before they arrive at school each day.