



Today's Learning for Tomorrow's Stars Belief, Opportunity, Expectations

Arrangements for KS2 returning to face to face learning week beginning 15th March 2021

10th March 2021

Dear Parents / Guardians / Carers,

We hope you are all safe and well in these difficult times.

We are so excited at the prospect of welcoming our KS2 children back to school for face to face learning on **Monday 15th March**.

We have received updated operational guidance, from Welsh Government to support us in planning for their return. This guidance, together with information from the Local Authority, has informed our model and approach for reintegration back into school.

All children in **KS2**; Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 should return to school on **Monday 15th March**.

Staggered arrival and finish times

All children across school will come to school at staggered times and leave at staggered times to ensure parents are able to adhere to social distancing rules.

Please drop your child off at the far end of the playground near the timber trail. They should then make their way to their class using the entrances below. Please do not wait near the entrance to the playground, to give others space to come and go.

From 15/03/21	Arrive	Entrance	Finish / Collect	Exit / Collect
Nursery am	9.10am	Nursery door	11.25am	Nursery door
Nursery pm	12.50pm	Nursery door	3.05pm	Nursery door
Reception	9.10am	FP entrance	3.00pm	FP exit
Year 1	9.00am	FP entrance	3.05pm	FP exit
Year 2	8.50am	FP entrance	3.10pm	Year 2 side gate
Year 3	9.00am	Lower KS2 entrance	3.30pm	Playground
Year 4	8.50am	Lower KS2 entrance	3.20pm	Hall doors
Year 5	9.00am	Year 5 entrance	3.30pm	Year 5 exit
Year 6	8.50am	Upper KS2 entrance	3.20pm	Main front door
All siblings & Child Minders	See below	Enter / Exit according to Year group. Finish at 3.15pm		

Siblings & Child Minders

Siblings & children arriving with their child minder should arrive at the latest allocated time of either child. **All siblings in Reception to YR 6 will finish at 3.15pm**. This will enable you to pick up all of your children on the playground at the same time and leave the premises straight away.

Child Minders are also able to collect children in their care together at **3.15pm** - please email school with a list of who you pick up, (parents please ask your child minder to let us know).

Please ensure that arrival and finish times are strictly adhered to.



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Entering and exiting the school site

We continue to operate our existing one - way system for entering and exiting the site. Please ensure only **one adult** per child / family enters the grounds, to reduce numbers on site. Please enter the site through the pedestrian gate at the bottom of the path and bring your child onto the yard. As we have staggered start and finish times there will be plenty of room for you to ensure you adhere to social distancing rules. Please keep your child/children by your side while they are waiting to line up/go in - do not allow them to run around and mix with others.

Please leave the site as soon as your child has been handed over or has gone into class, following the exit arrows down the driveway and through the vehicle gate which will be left open. Please adhere to social distancing rules at all times when entering and exiting the site.

The other current Welsh Government Restrictions for alert level 4 will continue to remain in place. As such, please **do not** congregate at the school gates once you have dropped your child / children off. It is important that we all continue to limit contact with others outside our households.

All children should be dropped off and picked up by a member of their own household or a designated childminder; either in a formal capacity or as part of a regular arrangement such as a grandparent. We have been instructed that we **cannot** support parents collecting other children as this would necessitate families from different households meeting. Thank you for your support in this.

Chartwells - school dinners

School meals for all children in Reception to YR 6 can be booked via Parentpay - remember you need to book a week in advance by the Monday of the week prior to meals being served. Foundation classes will continue to eat in the school hall, a class at a time. KS2 meals will be delivered to each classroom, where hot and packed lunches are eaten.

Breakfast Club

There will be no Breakfast Club for the remainder of the spring term. This provision will begin on Monday 12th April, start of the summer term. Please contact Greenfields Nursery direct to book a place 01633 895141 or email serenmawrclub@gmail.com

Year Group Bubbles

Each year group will continue to be classed as a 'bubble' group. Within their class bubbles children will be able to socialise and access a broad and balanced curriculum according to our usual class projects and programmes of learning. We will continue to make as much use of our outdoor learning environment as possible.

Throughout the day playtimes and lunch times will be staggered in order for us to keep year groups apart. The yard is split into two in order for us to facilitate this segregation, as well as using the field, weather permitting.



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Illness

- If your child or any member of your household shows signs of Covid-19, whether they feel unwell or not, please self - isolate and refer to NHS/Public Health Wales guidance. **Please inform school immediately.**
- Please notify school if you book a Covid test. We will need to see your Covid test result.
- School contact details - tel: 01633 266398 / email: Glasllwch.primary@newport.gov.uk
- If a child becomes unwell in school they will be isolated from the rest of the class and will need to be collected from school immediately. Please ensure we have up to date contact details in school and contacts are contactable throughout the school day.

Face Coverings

To reduce the risk of transmission amongst parents and relatives, please wear face coverings when dropping-off and collecting your child / children.

Lateral Flow Testing

WG have offered school staff the option to participate in lateral flow testing twice a week to complement the primary control measures already in place. The use of these tests is voluntary. The introduction of testing individuals who do not show any classic symptoms could lead to an increase in the number of cases detected which in turn could affect classes. If a LFT gives a positive result a PCR test has to be booked, it could be the case that the class bubble will be asked to isolate until the PCR result is known and further advice will follow depending on result. The existing control measures of social distancing, the wearing of face coverings and hand hygiene remain the primary protective measures for reducing transmission in school and in the community.

KS2 Hubs

A huge well done to all of our children who have been in school as part of our KS2 Hubs. They have all been amazing! A **BIG THANK YOU** to all the staff who have worked so hard in school running the Hubs.

Other Key Information

- All children to wear their usual Glasllwch uniform as outlined in our Handbook.
- Any equipment / resources your child/ren need will be provided by school. Please don't send anything other than snack, drink, packed lunch, reading book.
- Snacks for morning playtime should be fruit or vegetables.
- Please ensure your child has a water bottle with a sports cap, to be kept in the classroom to drink throughout the day.
- As we are a nut free school, please ensure no foods given to children contain any nut products.
- Staff and children will follow WG guidance in relation to health and safety, hygiene and social distancing. Staff will, when necessary, wear face coverings.
- Please talk to your child before coming to school about the importance of regular handwashing and adhering to social distancing rules.
- Windows and classroom doors will remain open throughout the day to ensure appropriate ventilation.



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- Children will remain in their year groupings for all activities and break times and will not have contact with other year groups in school. Please ensure children do not mix with children from other households outside of school.
- We will be using the outdoor environment as much as possible as this is the safest place to be as well as the best place to be to have fun! Please ensure your child has a warm coat & hat each day.

A HUGE THANK YOU for your continued support during this challenging time. We are so proud of all of our wonderful children and all they have achieved. We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you to enable our children to settle back into school life, to thrive and to reach their full potential.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support and cooperation.

Best regards and stay safe,

C. M. Jackson (Headteacher) and staff