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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Dear Parent/Carer,

We look forward to welcoming key stage 2 pupils back to school next week. Year 3,4,5 and 6 pupils return on Monday March 15th. Although it may be a nervous time for some pupils, parents and staff, we will continue with the daily health and safety arrangements which are in place, and I'm confident with the co-operation of the whole school community, the process of returning to school will be made much easier.

One of the more signifant changes made to the arrangements is the introduction of self testing for all staff. Staff will administer tests twice a week. If a positive result is reported by a member of staff, it will be highly likely that the class which has been in contact with the staff member will be required to self isolate for the required period following the advice which will be given by Public Health Wales and will therefore not be able to attend school for a fixed period. On-line/blended learning arrangements will then be actioned for those pupils for the duration of the isolation period. We will notify the relevant parents/carers through **Schoop and the school app**. You may be notified during a week day/evenin or during the weekend. We therefore urge all parents / careres to ensure that you have registered with these communiction facilities.

Arrangements for children of key workers – The provision which has been available for children of key workers will end on Friday March 12th. From Monday March 15th, the timetable for arriving and leaving school fo years 3,4,5 and 6 will return to the same arrangements which were in place before Christmas. The timetable is as follows:

Amser cychwyn i flynyddoedd 3/4/5 a 6 Start time for years 3/4/5 & 6	Amser gorffen i flynyddoedd 3/4/5 a 6 Finish time for years 3/4/5 &
8.55	**3.00**

Arrangements for dropping off / collecting the children from school – We ask all parents/carers **not to arrive on the school site no more than 5 minutes before the drop off/collection times.** This will be of great help to our health and safety arrangements, it will help to reduce traffic conjestion and also help with parking arrangements. Thank you.

Breakfast & After School Clubs – Breakfast and after school club provision will re-commence from Monday March 15th. For health and safety reasons due to the current Covid-19 situation, the number of pupils who will be able to attend will be limited. You will need to ensure that you have booked a place for your child in the club and have received confirmation before your child can attend the breakfast club. Registration can be made through e-mailing mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk stating on which days you wish for your child to attend the breakfast club. As the number of pupils we can accommodate for the time being has been reduced, you will need to notify the school before 3 o'clock on the previous day, if you no longer require a place in the club for your child as arranged. This will enable us to offer the place for that day to another child who may be on the waiting list for a place in the club. If we are not notified that your child's space is not required, then the £1 charge will still be required. There is a £1 charge for children arriving from 7.55 to 8.15. Breakfast club closes at 8.30.

Upon entry to the club, your child will be required to wash his/her hands and join the marked area for his/her age group. Parents/Carers will be unable to enter the hall. If you wish to notify your child's class teacher of any important information then this should be done by e-mailing the teacher.

With regards to after school provision, numbers are also limited. You will need to ensure that you have booked your child into the club, ensuring all payments are received by the school once you have received confirmation that a space is available for your child. As with the arrangements for breakfast club, if you no longer require a place for your child in the club, please inform the school before 9.30 a.m. on the same day. Failure to inform

the school that you don't require a place for your child in after school club will mean that the normal after school club payment will be required. After school club will be available until 17:30 with a cost of £3.50 until 16:30 and a further £3.50 until 17:30. Requests for both clubs will need to be made through e-mail to mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk

Apologies for the inconvenience that these changes may cause some families, however due to health and safety reasons and the current situation regarding Covid-19, these changes are unavoidable for the time being. Hopefully the situation will improve as we work through the remainder of the school year.

Lunch/Dinner – School dinners will be available from Monday the 15th March (menu week 1). The children will eat their dinner in the school hall within a specific time slot, with sufficient time given to allow the children to eat their dinner and have a short break outside. Children who bring their own packed lunch will be eating their dinner in class. The school meals menu has been amended. Payments for school dinners will need to made in advance through the new ParentPay on-line system. Details are available from the school office if required.

Teacher/Parent contact – Class teachers currently will be unable to meet face to face with parents/carers. If you do need to discuss an important matter related to your child, then please communicate through e-mail or telephone.

Welsh Government guidance - Please ensure that you continue to follow the Welsh Government guidance which are currently still in place. These include:

Staying at home
Meet only the people you live with
Work from home if you can
Wear a face covering
Wash your hands regularly
Stay 2 metres away from anyone you do not live with
4 people from 2 households can exercise together outdoors (not in private gardens) – under 11 year olds are not counted in the maximun of 4
Self isolate if you or anyone in your household has symptoms
If you have symptoms, get a test.

Arrangements for on-line/blended learning - On-line and blended learning session for years 3,4,5 and 6 pupils will come to an end on Wednesday March 10th. The children have activities which they will be able to complete for the remainder of the week. As the children return to school on the 15th, the arrangements for the collection of work packs will also finish this week.

We will make every effort to inform you of any important or relevant information and updates we receive as soon as we are able to.

Once again, I would like to remind you to please contact your child's class teacher through their direct e-mail address. If you have any questions about the activities and your child's work, or contact the office at mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk

Please continue to take care and to keep safe with your families.

Yours sincerely,

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