



Ysgol Gynradd **Tycroes** Primary School

*Pontarddulais Road, Tycroes, Ammanford, SA18 3QD
Pennaeth Dros dro / Acting Headteacher: Mrs Louise Rees*

December 18th, 2020

Dear Parent / carer,

Local authorities and schools have been provided with information on flexible school opening arrangements for the beginning of January 2021 (see letter from the Director of Education). I would like to confirm the return to school arrangements for January at our school. However, please note that these arrangements **are subject to change**, depending on local circumstances or any further decisions taken by Welsh Government or the local authority.

As stated in the Director of Education's letter, Monday, 4th January 2021 will remain an INSET Day as planned. Tuesday, 5th January and Wednesday 6th January will now be training and preparation days. Therefore, there will be no pupils on the school site and pupils will not be taught remotely on these additional two days. Our aim is to fully open school for all pupils as from **Thursday, 7th January, 2021**, except for new nursery pupils. The new intake of nursery pupils will spend Friday morning (January 8th) at school and begin full time on Monday January 11th.

However, these dates may change as a result of high numbers of Covid cases amongst staff or pupils at the start of term. If this should be the case, we would start distance learning provision and will inform parents as soon as possible.

Start and finish times for all classes will remain the same as this term. Also, children will enter and leave through current allocated entrances.

These are uncertain times for all, and we greatly appreciate your co-operation. In mid-December, it is extremely difficult for us to foresee the position that we may find ourselves in by the first week of January. We hope that these arrangements provide you with clarity regarding the start of term.

I would like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy and more prosperous 2021.

Many thanks once more for your continued support, cooperation and understanding.

Best regards,

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Acting Headteacher

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