



Milton Primary School
Hendre Farm Drive
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Tuesday 4th January 2022

Dear Milton families,

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda- happy new year to you all! I hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas break and you and your families are well.

As promised, I am writing to provide some updates regarding arrangements for the return to school on Thursday 6th January for children in Reception to Year 6, and Monday 10th January for children in Nursery.

Start and End Times

- We will re-introduce an extended start and end time to the school day to enable social distancing:

Whole school start: 8:50- 9:15am

FP finish: 3:00-3:15pm

KS2 finish: 3:10- 3:25

- Please can we request that only one parent/carer per family drop off and collect children. Parents of KS2 children should stay on the top yard and watch their children walk down to their lines on the bottom yard please to avoid congestion.
- Please be aware that no children will be permitted to enter via the office. Gates and doors will close at 9:15am and no children will be able to come into school after this time.
- If children must leave school for an appointment or for any other reason, they will not be allowed to return until the following day.

Meals

- With the exception of Reception and Year 6, all dinners will be eaten in classrooms.
- Breakfast club will resume as soon as possible. Parents will be informed via text message.
- If children eligible for Free School Meals are absent from school due to isolating, then they will continue to be provided with a voucher.

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Hygiene

Children will continue to be encouraged to practise good hand hygiene and will wash their hands at regular points throughout the day. Please ensure children wash their hands before they attend school and again when they return home.

Isolation

If a child develops symptoms in school, they will be put into isolation and parents will be asked to collect their children immediately. From next week lateral flow tests will be available from the school office to test household contacts where there has been a positive case, or for classes where there have been a high number of cases.

Please note that should a child return a positive test result that the period of isolation is now 7 days, rather than 10. Children will need to take a lateral flow test on day 6 and day 7 and if these are both negative then they may return to school on day 8.

Remote Learning

In the event that a child must self-isolate, or if the situation arises where a year group has to move to remote learning due to staff absence, then children will have access to a home learning menu with tasks to complete. All logins and passwords, along with a home learning book were issued before Christmas. If you do not have these then please contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo.

I hope that the points above provide some clarity about how we will be operating at the beginning of term. Please be assured that, as always, we will do everything we can to keep our school community safe and learning. We are all very much looking forward to welcoming children back from Thursday 6th January.

With best wishes,

Mrs Corinne Burke
Headteacher