

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support, understanding and patience over the past four months. I am grateful to you all for everything you have done to assist your child's learning, your child's school and the local authority at this difficult time.

This letter will provide you with further information in respect of your child/ren returning to school from September 2020. As a result of the Minister for Education's recent announcement regarding the reopening of schools, the local authority is keen to work with schools and parents/carers to ensure all pupils return to school in September as soon as it practicably possible to do so.

All Bridgend schools will be open **for staff only** between Tuesday 1 September and Thursday 3 September (inclusive). This period will allow school staff to plan and reconfigure the school in readiness for pupils returning to schools.

Parents are advised that Bridgend schools are **not open for pupils** during this period.

From Friday 4 September, certain year groups will start to return to school. The following table provides further information in relation how pupils will return to YG Bro Ogwr from Friday 4 September:

School Day Start/End Times	Friday 4 September	Monday 7 September
Start: 09.00 End: 15.30	Reception and Year 6 pupils only (BCBC schools agreement)	All pupils in Reception and Years 1-6 in school

In line with usual procedures, nursery children will start school on a phased basis. Nursery pupils at Bro Ogwr will be offered 'playdate' visits in small groups during the week commencing Monday 7th September, which will be a short visit with an opportunity to share and receive information between parents and staff. A phased entry will then commence from Monday 14th September. More details will follow from Bro Ogwr directly in due course in respect of nursery pupils.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you all, once again, for your continuing support at a very difficult time. I hope you all enjoy the summer break and I look forward to seeing pupils back in schools from September.

Sincerely



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