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Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope you have all had a pleasant summer break and you and your family have remained safe and well. Below is a brief update for parents and carers. More details will be sent out over the coming days.

Welsh Government have made many changes to the advice issued to schools. This advice was only published on Friday 27th August. BCBC are still working through the changes to support schools in returning in a safe and practical manner. Once we as a school receive further advice we will inform you ASAP.

Please see below details for the return to school on Monday 6th September as it stands as of today.

Monday 6th September

School starts back for all pupils. (Nursery parents will have received different start dates)

Welsh Government have suspended the staggered start and finish times. Therefore, there are some changes to the morning routine. The gates will open at **8:50am**, all children should go straight into class upon arrival. All pupils need to arrive in school by **9:00am**.

The gates will be locked at **9:05am**. Please set your alarms nice and early in the morning. **Anyone arriving after 9:00am is late for school!**

Classes	Entrance
Nursery	Nursery
Reception	Bottom doors
Year 1	Bottom doors
Year 2	Top doors
Year 3	Middle doors
Year 4	Y4
Year 5	Y5
Year 6	Y6 side door

End of the school day – 3:15pm for all pupils (except Nursery 3:10pm)

At the end of the school day parents are requested to wait outside their child's designated exit and to socially distance. Please remain 2 metres apart while waiting on the yard.

Staffing

I am very grateful to Mrs Rees who has kindly agreed to postpone her retirement. Due to timescales and COVID we were unable to appoint a Nursery teacher. Therefore, Mrs Rees is going to return while we continue our search for a new teacher.



I am extremely grateful to Mrs Rees who has made a big commitment to the school after 34 years of service, she is still willing to go the extra mile for the children and the school.

At the start of the summer holidays we were able to appoint 4 Learning Support Staff. We welcome Mrs Sara-Jayne Thomas, Mrs Sarah Bentley, Miss Caitlin Jones and Miss Lauren Parry to the school.

Breakfast Club

Will open at 8:15am with last entry at 8:30am. We still need to limit numbers, so only this service if you have no other alternative.

Face coverings

The latest advice for school staff is that they no longer need to wear coverings in class. However, if staff wish to do so they may wear one. To start the term and until further advice is received from BCBC I would be grateful if parents could still wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting their child or children. Once further guidance is received this decision will be reviewed. Thank you in advance of your cooperation on this matter.

Parent Handbook

A parent handbook will be sent out over the weekend with more details for you.

Further details will be sent out in the near future to keep you informed of developments and of dates for the Autumn Term. Please ensure we have your up-to-date mobile phone number for text messages. Please download the SIMS Parent App, we need your email address for this to work. Visit the school website frequently www.pilprimary.co.uk

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation and understanding. We are looking forward to seeing the children once again.

Yours sincerely

N Pryce
Headteacher

