

Dear parents and guardians,

I hope my letter finds you well and that you are all enjoyed the Easter break. This half term marks the start of the summer examination series for many pupils and I'm sure as parents and guardians you are all busy supporting your children where necessary.

COVID Update

We have been advised this week that Carmarthenshire County Council has analysed the levels of Covid-19 in the community and is recommending that schools move to the 'Low' level of mitigation. This allows the school to continue to move to more normal operation. I have listed some of the changes below:

- Pupils, staff and visitors will no longer be required to use wear face coverings whilst on the school site. Any pupil or staff member who wishes to continue to use a face covering will be allowed to do so.
- It is recommended that pupils wear face coverings on school transport, but this is no longer compulsory.

The following core measures will remain in place to protect pupils and staff:

- Staff and pupils will continue to follow the Welsh Government's guidance for self-isolation.
- Pupils should not attend school if they have any COVID-19 symptoms.
- Regular handwashing, and respiratory etiquette (Catch it, Bin it, Kill it).
- Adequate ventilation by opening windows and encouraging pupils to spend break and lunch time outside.

Examination Arrangements (Y10-13)

The summer examination window commences for GCSE (Y10 & 11) and GCE pupils (Y12 & 13) on May 16th. I fully appreciate that this time can be stressful for all involved and we will continue to support pupils through this period with face-to-face teaching available to all until the final day of this half term, Friday 27th May. The structure of the school day will change slightly during the examination window, with lunchtime being brought forward by one hour to 12:20pm. This is to allow an appropriate amount of time for pupils sitting afternoon exams to have food prior to their exam and this ensures the school lunch time has finished to avoid noise disturbance.

Y11 pupils are expected to attend all lessons until Friday 27th May. As is usual, only if the school receives parental/guardian consent in writing or via telephone, will pupils be permitted to leave the school site. I am sure you are all aware that the school has robust truancy systems (Code 9) and it is therefore essential that staff are not spending time locating pupils from examination year groups who have left the school site. I thank you all in advance of your support in communicating pupils' absences with the school in a timely manner.

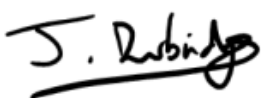
Y12 & 13 students can choose to study at home from Monday 16th May onwards. However, teaching staff will be available during ordinary timetabled lessons should students wish to attend school. Lessons for other Level 3 courses, where there are no examinations, will continue to be taught as usual.

As of Monday June 6th, we will be commencing our Summer timetable, providing Y9 pupils with the opportunity to begin their GCSE subjects. Y11 & 13 pupils will only attend school for examinations, there will be no timetabled lessons for either year group. All other year groups will be expected to attend school as usual. Please note that all pupils are expected to be in full school uniform when sitting examinations.

Pupils have received copies of their examination timetables and a [summary of expectations](#) to check prior to each exam. An overview of all examinations, dates and venues can be found [here](#).

Once more, I thank you for your continued support.

Take care.



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Annwyl rieni a gwarcheidwaid,

Gobeithio y bydd fy llythyr yn dod o hyd i chi'n dda a'ch bod chi i gyd wedi'ch mwynhau dros wyliau'r Pasg. Mae'r hanner tymor yma yn nodi dechrau cyfres arholiadau'r haf i lawer o ddisgyblion ac rwy'n siŵr fel rhieni a gwarcheidwaid eich bod i gyd yn brysur yn cefnogi eich plant.

Diweddariad COVID-19

Rydym wedi cael gwybod yr wythnos hon bod Cyngor Sir Gaerfyrddin wedi dadansoddi lefelau Covid-19 yn y gymuned ac yn argymhell bod ysgolion yn symud i'r lefel 'Isel' o liniaru. Mae hyn yn galluogi'r ysgol i barhau i symud i weithrediad mwy arferol. Rwyf wedi rhestru rhai o'r newidiadau isod:

- Ni fydd yn ofynnol mwyach i ddisgyblion, staff ac ymwelwyr ddefnyddio gorchuddion wyneb tra ar safle'r ysgol. Caniateir i unrhyw ddisgybl neu aelod o staff sy'n dymuno parhau i ddefnyddio gorchudd wyneb wneud hynny.
- Argymhellir bod disgyblion yn gwisgo gorchuddion wyneb ar gludiant ysgol, ond nid yw hyn bellach yn orfodol.

Bydd y mesurau craidd canlynol yn parhau yn eu lle i amddiffyn disgyblion a staff:

- Bydd staff a disgyblion yn parhau i ddilyn canllawiau Llywodraeth Cymru ar hunan-ynysu.
- Ni ddylai disgyblion fynychu'r ysgol os oes ganddynt unrhyw symptomau COVID-19.
- Golchi dwylo'n rheolaidd (Cath it, Bin, Kill it).
- Awyru digonol trwy agor ffenestri ac annog disgyblion i dreulio amser egwyl ac amser cinio yn yr awyr agored.

Trefniadau Arholiadau (BI10-13)

Mae ffenestr arholiadau'r haf ar gyfer disgyblion TGAU (BI10 a 11) a Safon Uwch (BI 12 a 13) yn cychwyn ar Fai 16^{eg}. Rwy'n gwerthfawrogi'n llwyr y gall yr amser hwn fod yn straen i bawb sy'n gysylltiedig a byddwn yn parhau i gefnogi disgyblion drwy'r cyfnod hwn gydag addysgu wyneb yn wyneb ar gael i bawb tan ddiwrnod olaf yr hanner tymor hwn, sef dydd Gwener 27^{ain} Mai. Bydd strwythur y diwrnod ysgol yn newid ychydig yn ystod y ffenestr arholiadau, gydag amser cinio yn cael ei ddwyn ymlaen awr i 12:20yp. Mae hyn er mwyn caniatáu cyfnod priodol o amser

i ddisgyblion sy'n sefyll arholiadau'r prynhawn gael bwyd cyn eu harholiad a hefyd i ganiatáu bod amser cinio'r ysgol yn gorffen er mwyn osgoi aflonyddwch sŵn.

Disgwylir i ddisgyblion B111 fynychu pob gwern tan ddydd Gwener 27^{ain} Mai. Fel sy'n arferol, dim ond os yw'r ysgol yn derbyn caniatâd rhieni/gwarcheidwad yn ysgrifenedig neu dros y ffôn, y caniateir i ddisgyblion adael safle'r ysgol. Rwy'n siŵr eich bod i gyd yn ymwybodol bod gan yr ysgol systemau triwantiaeth cadarn (Cod 9) ac mae'n hanfodol felly nad yw staff yn treulio amser yn lleoli disgyblion o grwpiau blwyddyn arholiadau sydd wedi gadael safle'r ysgol. Diolchaf i chi i gyd ymlaen llaw am eich cefnogaeth wrth gyfathrebu absenoldebau disgyblion gyda'r ysgol mewn modd amserol.

Gall myfyrwyr B112 a 13 ddewis astudio gartref o ddydd Llun 16^{eg} Mai ymlaen. Fodd bynnag, bydd staff addysgu ar gael yn ystod gwerni arferol ar yr amserlen pe bai myfyrwyr yn dymuno mynychu'r ysgol. Bydd gwerni ar gyfer cyrsiau Lefel 3 eraill, lle nad oes arholiadau, yn parhau i gael eu haddysgu fel arfer.

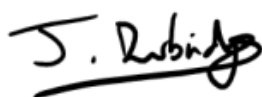
O ddydd Llun Mehefin 6^{ed} ymlaen, byddwn yn cychwyn ar ein hamserlen Haf, gan roi cyfle i ddisgyblion B19 ddechrau eu pynciau TGAU. Bydd disgyblion B111 a 13 yn mynychu'r ysgol ar gyfer arholiadau yn unig, ni fydd gwerni wedi'u hamserlennu ar gyfer y naill grŵp blwyddyn na'r llall. Bydd gwerni arferol i bob blwyddyn arall. Sylwer bod disgwyl i bob disgybl fod mewn gwisg ysgol lawn wrth sefyll arholiadau.

Mae disgyblion wedi derbyn copiâu o'u hamserlen arholiadau ynghyd â [chrynodeb o ddisgwyliaid](#) i'w gwirio cyn pob arholiad. Bydd doleri'r amserlen ar gael drwy Google Classroom. Mae trosolwg o'r holl arholiadau, dyddiadau a lleoliadau ar gael [yma](#).

Unwaith eto, hoffwn ddiolch i chi am eich cefnogaeth barhaus.

Cymerwch ofal.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir



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