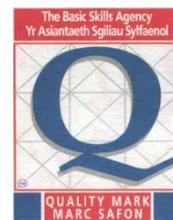


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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents,

I am writing to update you on how Cleddau Reach has planned for the return of all children in the autumn term.

As you are probably aware the Welsh Government confirmed recently that a full return to schools will need to be completed in Wales by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Although the current decline in infection rates linked to CV-19 means that at present it is planned that children across Wales will be able to work closer together in classes it has also been made clear that many of the other restrictions on schools will remain. For instance adults will need to maintain appropriate distancing and children will need to be taught, have lunch and play in class 'bubbles' which do not mix with other classes. Key protective measures such as regular hand washing, staying at home or being sent home immediately if taken ill in school and the availability of testing for CV-19 will remain. The cleanliness of the school environment will be maintained every day and a deep clean will take place each Friday after school closes.

During the autumn term the school will need to maintain staggered starts and finishing times and to focus on the core provision of teaching and learning. The safety of all using the school site will continue to be our guiding principle and when looking to re-introduce more of the events and activities associated with school life before the pandemic we will need to ensure that they comply in our individual school circumstances with the advice given by Welsh Government and Pembrokeshire County Council.

Cleddau Reach will fully re-open to staff on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. During the first four days of term the priority will be to ensure that all appropriate safety and training measures are in place and to focus on meetings and induction activities for our priority groups in Early Years and Reception.

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September the school will re-open for all learners. The times of the school day for each class are shown below and will remain until restrictions are lifted and it is safe for the school to return to our usual hours.



## **Cleddau Reach Revised Start and Finish Times From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Reception (From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September) Year 2 Year 4 Year 6**

Arrive 8.35 am – 8.45 am Finish 2.55pm – 3.05pm

### **Year 1 Year 3 Year 5**

Arrive 8.55am – 9.05 am Finish 3.15pm – 3.25 pm

### **Early Years Morning Group**

Arrive 8.35am – 8.45 am Finish 11.05 am – 11.15 am

### **Early Years Afternoon Group**

Arrive 1.00pm – 1.10pm Finish 3.20 pm – 3.30pm

From the start of the new school year our usual policy of encouraging all children to wear school uniform will apply. If you wish to order school uniform please wherever possible e-mail [admin.cleddaureach@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:admin.cleddaureach@pembrokeshire.gov.uk) with your order and inform the office staff about when you are able to collect and pay. Otherwise please telephone the school office from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September to provide this information.

From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September we plan to re-open Breakfast Club in a limited form to support working parents who have no other alternative. The restrictions linked to the mixing of year groups from September means that we would only be able to accommodate a maximum of thirty children each morning. As a school we want to support working parents who have to leave for work early in the morning and have no other form of childcare available. Therefore, places will need to be booked in advance for each week and I ask for your co-operation in ensuring that until restrictions are lifted you only book a place if you have no other alternative in terms of childcare. Any essential bookings can be taken via e-mail or phone from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Breakfast Club will operate from 8 a.m. until 8.45a.m, with all children needing to arrive by 8.15am on days where they are booked in.

Kingfishers After-School Club also anticipates a resumption of their childcare provision from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Kingfishers will offer a limited service, to those who have no alternative for after school childcare. With numbers being kept to a maximum of sixteen, they will maintain the same bubbles as throughout the school day, in designated socially distanced areas. Outdoor provision will be implemented as much as possible. Spaces will be limited and pre- booking will be necessary via the school office. All bookings must be made a week in advance with payment of £7 per child, per session, required before attendance. Payments can be made via bank transfer, cash or cheque (made payable to Kingfishers CCASC). Sessions will run from the end of the school day until 5.30pm, we urge prompt collection to enable deep cleaning at the end of each session.

During late August I will provide a further update on other areas where at present I cannot provide specific details such as school transport arrangements in September. This information will be sent via e-mail or class dojo if you have accepted the invitation for this.

I wish you and all our other families an enjoyable summer holiday and thank you once again for your support and understanding during this challenging and uncertain time. It will be fantastic to see all the children back in September and like you I hope that gradually it will be safe for more restrictions to be lifted during the coming school year so that the usual pattern of school life in Cleddau Reach can fully return.

Kind regards,

Nick Groves