

Ysgol Y Waun Chapel/ Lloyds Lane Chirk Wrexham LL145NH Friday 3rd September 2021

Dear Parents,

We are so pleased that we have been able to welcome the children back today and look forward to welcoming our new nursery pupils over the next 2 weeks.

After two very disruptive years, we are hoping that we can resume some kind of normality moving forward – however the COVID-19 situation is constantly changing!

We are sending out paper copies of our newsletter today to ensure that all parents receive information about the new term. Future letters will be posted on our website and on twitter. Please note, SEESAW will only be used for class teachers to send out 'class based' messages. Teachers are only expected to check their messages between 8 am and 5 pm so if you need to speak with a member of staff urgently — we advise that you contact either school office to pass on messages or arrange an appointment to come into school.

School Uniform

Full school uniform is required this term. Pupils are encouraged to wear school shoes or black trainers. We would ask that children do not wear jewellery when in school apart from small stud earrings.

P.E. Kit

Pupils can come to school in their P.E. kit on their P.E. day. P.E. kit consists of a white T Shirt, blue/ black shorts/jogging bottoms/ leggings and trainers.

Health Snacks/ Drinks

As a Healthy School we encourage healthy snacks and for pupils to bring water bottles to school. Pupils are able to refill their bottles when required.

Arrangements at the beginning/ end of the school day

We will continue to operate staggered start and finish times next week as explained back in July.

Senior staff will be meeting next week to discuss how/ when we return to normal arrangements for drop off/ pick up and we will inform you of any changes by the end of next week.

COVID-19

Wrexham will be publishing new guidance for parents this term but there are some changes that I am able to share with you before this happens:

- -If a child tests positive for COVID-19, the class will continue to stay open. (This may differ if there are a significant number of cases in one class at the same time).
- -If a member of your family tests positive, all under 18's can still attend school and adults who are 'double jabbed' do not have to isolate.
- -Please note, if you, or your child/ ren experience any of the key covid-19 symptoms, please book a PCR test and isolate until you/ they receive your/ their test results.
- -Schools will no longer be working in bubbles but adults will continue to socially distance in school and pupils will continue to use hand sanitizer throughout the day.
- -Parents/ visitors are asked to wear face masks when entering the school building.
- -All staff are encouraged to take lateral flow tests twice weekly.
- -Additional school cleaning will continue this term.

We hope you find the above information useful in preparing for the term ahead.

Sincerely,

J. Roberts