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'Check in, Catch up and Prepare' sessions

Dear Parents, Carers,

As you are aware, schools in Wales will be re-opening their doors to its pupils on Monday 29th June. During the school closure period, class teachers have been working hard to set work and support pupils remotely as well as run Hubs for children of key workers. However, as we continue to adapt to ongoing changes in society in line with Welsh Government guidelines, our approaches to teaching and learning will also continue to evolve.

As a school, we are now embarking on a new phase of education where we will work towards what the Welsh Government describe as a 'Blended Learning Approach'. This is where home learning and face to face contact with the teacher in the classroom will become combined and intertwined.

Over the next three weeks, your child has been allocated time to come into school as part of a small group to attend 'Check in, Catch up and Prepare' sessions.

What can my child expect to do during their 'Check in, Catch up and Prepare' sessions?

- Check in – The main focus of the sessions will be around pupil well being and reviewing the children's experiences of lockdown. Pupils will have an opportunity to share their experiences, voice concerns and ask any questions.
- Catch up –
Key Stage 2: Distance Learning to date will be reviewed and teachers will ensure all pupils are clear on how to access their learning tasks at home. E.g Logging into Hwb, downloading, saving and submitting work to One Drive. Exploring any challenges or barriers pupils may have had to Distance Learning as well as reviewing any concepts which the pupils identify as having caused particular difficulty.
Foundation Phase: Teachers will review the Distance Learning tasks set to date and will be focusing on revisiting basic Numeracy and Literacy skills.
- Prepare – Over the three weeks, we will look at and explore ways to evolve distance learning into a Blended Learning Approach for September and beyond. The aim of the time spent with the teacher will be to support and reinforce distance learning at home.

During their visits to school, each child will receive a Learning Pack of tasks and activities to complete with the teacher over the course of the session each week. The activities completed in school will prepare and support the children for completing the tasks they will be asked to carry out at home.

Foundation Phase Learning Packs

- The activities in the pack will link to Home Learning tasks set by the class teacher on the school website. Completed Home Learning tasks will be sent back to the class teacher via the children's Hwb email account or Seesaw.
- Children who attend the Hub will have access to the same learning packs in school. These pupils will be supported to complete the tasks by a member of staff during their time in the Hub. There will also be an opportunity for these children to access and complete some Home Learning tasks.
- Children who are not returning to school will also be provided with a Learning Pack to complete at home.
- The pack will stay in school and will be sent home at the end of term.
- The weekly Home Learning tasks, My Maths, spellings and reading will be uploaded to the school website ready for Monday morning as usual.

Key Stage 2 Learning Packs

- The KS2 Learning Pack will outline what the children will be completing in class and what they will be asked to do at home.
- Children who attend the Hub or do not return to school, will have access to the pack in its entirety so they can complete all activities in the Hub or at home over the course of the week. Pupils in the Hub will be supported to complete the tasks by a member of staff.
- At the end of the weekly session, pupils will be able to take their Learning Packs home so parents will be able to see how the home learning tasks link and follow on from what has been explored in class with the teacher.
- The weekly Learning Pack of class based and home learning tasks, My Maths, spellings and reading comprehension will be uploaded to the school website ready for Monday morning as usual.

In order for the home learning tasks to be meaningful and of most value, **we are asking parents not to access the pack until their child has had their contact session with a teacher.** They will then have one week from their visit to complete the home learning tasks until their next school session.

Many teachers will be working with groups of class pupils Monday to Wednesday and will be supporting key worker children in the school Hub on either Thursday or Friday. Staff will have one day a week non-contact time to focus on reviewing submitted home learning tasks and preparing work for the following week. All home learning tasks should be uploaded to OneDrive where possible to be reviewed by the class teacher during their non-contact day. **Staff will not be in a position to reply to emails and Seesaw messages or review uploaded work on the days they are working with a class group or working in the Hub.** We appreciate your patience and understanding on this matter.

Thank you for your continued support. Please stay safe and we will look forward to seeing lots of you next week!

Many thanks,

Miss Gilbert and Mrs Lennon.