

Ysgol Harri Tudur Henry Tudor School

Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow Dysgwyr Heddiw, Arweinwyr Yfory

17 March 2020

Via: School Website
All Parents/Guardians/Carers

Dear Parents/Guardians/Carers,

Re: Corona Virus (Co- vid 19)

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for your understanding and cooperation as we continue to work together to provide a safe environment for our whole school community, pupils, parents, staff and visitors. Thank you to the many of you who have contacted the school with messages of support for us, as we face a very difficult and challenging time.

We are taking the health and safety of our pupils, staff, parents and visitors very seriously and whilst there have been no confirmed cases of Coronavirus at our school to date, we wish to reassure you that measures are being taken in line with current advice from the UK Government and Public Health Wales with regard to the most up to date information. We will continue to liaise with Pembrokeshire County Council regarding our response to the virus, please keep checking our website, www.yht.wales.

Cleaning arrangements within the school have been further enhanced and four times a day checks of all toilets ensure that there is soap and toilet roll available at every pupil and staff toilet facility throughout the day. Visitors arriving at our school, are also invited to wash their hands in a visitor facility. We are well stocked with supplies of both soap and toilet roll. Please help us to promote good hand and respiratory hygiene and respectfully request that you support this at home.

Whilst we are currently adhering to advice and remaining open as a school, we are mindful of the fact that closure may be inevitable in the coming weeks. In order to prepare for such an eventuality, we are in the process of collating on line and hard copies of learning material, including revision resources for pupils about to embark upon external examinations. We have been advised that Qualifications Wales is monitoring the situation and we will remain in regular contact with the WJEC regarding any further advice and updates. We are preparing a Google classroom virtual learning environment and will provide additional information regarding this via our website when appropriate.

Staff have been asked to withdraw from any future meetings or events which may take them out of school and to rearrange commitments in order to maximise current teaching opportunities for our learners. We have also cancelled many external providers, workshops and core conferences planned to take place in the weeks to come.

As I am sure you will appreciate, the protocol of "social distancing" in a school is very difficult to introduce however, we have cancelled all assemblies with effect from Monday March 16th and have asked all pupils to respect personal space, in addition to hygiene and respiratory health precautions.

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With regard to school specifically,

- If anyone in your household has symptoms of coronavirus infection (COVID-19), however mild, stay at home and do not leave your house for 14 days from when your symptoms started. These are a high temperature or a new continuous cough. All family members should self isolate when one person is affected
- Pupils who are self isolating or unwell should be at home – apologies if that sounds obvious, not out and about in supermarkets, parks or at friends' houses
- This action will help protect others in your community whilst you are infectious, protect elders and family members with serious medical conditions
- Pupils who have symptoms and are unwell and self isolating at home, should be resting in order to make a good and speedy recovery
- Maintain regular and thorough hand washing, using soap
- Information on the forthcoming exam season is not yet known or available. Parents will be advised when central Government decisions have been made

Please keep checking the Important Notices section of our website.

With all best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Kite', written in a cursive style.

Mrs F. Kite
Headteacher