

11 December 2020

## Update following School Announcements

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been considering our response/action to the latest announcements for Schools:

- Welsh Government announced yesterday afternoon that **secondary schools** and colleges in Wales will move to online learning from Monday 14 December as part of a 'national effort to reduce coronavirus transmission' [see announcement](#)
- Cardiff Council announced last night that all **primary schools** in Cardiff will move to online learning at from Wednesday 16 December [see announcement](#)

College have considered the announcements carefully, along with the health and wellbeing of our pupils, staff and families, and have decided to amend our final week of term as follows:

- **Kindergarten** will run normal hours until end of term Friday 18 December 1.00pm (this is always a half day). Isabella will do her goodbye story to the children on Tuesday (she will be on maternity leave from January) and we will cover Isabella's role for the last few days within Kindergarten.
- **Lower School** (Class Ty Haul, Class 3/4, Class 5/6) will move to online learning from Wednesday until end of term Friday 18 December 1.00pm (this is always a half day)
- **Middle and Upper School** (Class 7/8, Class 9/10, Class 11/12) will move to online learning from Monday until end of term Friday 18 December 1.00pm (this is always a half day).
- We can offer school day provision to **Class pupils who are vulnerable, or are children of essential workers**, from 8.50am to 3.30pm Monday to Thursday, and 8.50am to 1.00pm Friday (this is always a half day). Please identify yourself as such to Nicola by email to [parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk](mailto:parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk) by end of day on Saturday so we can plan provision.
- **Wraparound Care** will operate normal hours until end of term Friday 18 December 1.00pm (this is always a half day). Kindergarten children who are booked in will be able to attend as normal. Class pupils who are vulnerable, or are children of essential workers can book in at the normal rate by email or phone call to Nicola [parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk](mailto:parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk)

Please see some key advice overleaf. If you have any questions please contact Nicola on 029 2056 7986 or email [parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk](mailto:parents@cardiffsteiner.org.uk)

With many thanks for your continued support.



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for the School Management Team, College and Trustees

## Keeping you safe and informed

If your child is feeling unwell for whatever reason, then they should not come into School. This is even more important if your child is showing COVID-19 symptoms.

**It is essential that children do not attend if they or a member of their household has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or is self-isolating.**

Please see the latest Welsh government guidance here [gov.wales/coronavirus](https://gov.wales/coronavirus)

And Welsh Government [advice on self-isolating here](#) This applies to:

- people who have received a positive test result for COVID-19
- people with symptoms of COVID-19 who are waiting for a test result, or who have not been tested and do not require hospital treatment, who must remain at home for the appropriate self-isolation period (further details below)
- people living in households with someone who shows symptoms that may be caused by COVID-19 or who has received a positive test result for COVID-19
- people of all ages including children

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above you must stay at home and arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19 – go to testing to arrange. See information on [Testing and tracing for coronavirus](#)