



16th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your continued support this term. It has been a very challenging term but we have just about made it to Christmas. Today the Education Minister has announced plans for the return in January.

The Director of Education Lindsay Harvey has outlined the plans in his letter for the return of pupils in Bridgend in the Spring Term. As in previous cases schools in Maesteg will follow the same procedures.

As it stands the earliest pupils will return to school is Thursday 6th January. There will be no provision for breakfast in schools during the first week and this decision will be reviewed on Friday 7th January for the following week.

The Minister also announced that schools could return to staggered starts and finishes but due to the ever-changing situation timings will be confirmed in January when the true impact of Omicron will be known.

The Minister also announced planning days for schools to prepare for the Spring Term and the possibility of remote learning.

Once the situation is clear and the impact COVID 19 has on our communities we can further evaluate the situation and announce our plans accordingly.

All the decisions we make are based on current Welsh Government and Local Authority advice and guidance. Please trust that we make these decisions with the wellbeing and academic achievement of our learners and health and safety of our school community at the forefront.

Have a restful Christmas and please stay safe.

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