



Llantilio Pertholey Church in Wales Primary

Dear Parents and Carers,

I really can't believe that we are near the end of term already. It has been such a busy year and a year of more disruption and rules due to COVID-19. We really hope that we are much closer to normal soon!

Next term starts on Thursday 2nd September. We have taken the first 2 days of term as Teacher Training Inset Days so the first day school will be open for children is **Monday 6th September**.

Our new reception children have a timetable for the first couple of weeks in September. That will remain in place. The COVID-19 guidance for schools now says that we are not allowed to have staggered arrival and departure times for different classrooms. Therefore we will return to our 'normal' school day:

Gates Open:	8:50
School Starts:	9:00
Morning Break:	10:30 to 10.45
Lunch:	12:00 to 1:00
School closes:	3:20

Parents still wear a face covering when on the school site, even when outside. Please ensure that you arrive and leave the school promptly. Parents should still maintain a 2m distance from each other.

Contact groups/bubbles will no longer be recommended. However, our recent COVID-19 outbreak has shown that our restrictions have worked to contain the virus. We will still keep children in separate areas on the yard. We will still maintain handwashing regimes.

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A reminder that Breakfast Club starts on Monday 6th September at 8.00 for a charge of £1 per child per day. Pupils are offered cereal, toast and drinks. The club is supervised by school staff and a range of activities are provided. A registration form **must** be completed before your child can attend and this can be obtained from the school office or the school website. Pupils should arrive at the hall door. Children arriving between 8.30 until 8.40 will not be charged. There is no admission after 8.40.

Our **After School Club** will also start on Monday 6th September. The club is run by teachers from a company called Superstars and run until 5.15pm each afternoon. There will be different activities each afternoon. There will be a charge of £6 a session and will have to be paid upfront through ParentPay. Places are limited. You need to be register your child and the session paid for beforehand via ParentPay.

Our staff for After School Club and PPA, Mr Davidson and Miss Pettit, will not be returning in September. They are both starting new roles away from Superstars. We thank them for their hard work this year. Their support has been invaluable and we wish them both well in their future careers.

This is such a strange time in a primary school. Of course, we are looking forward to our summer break! We are also looking forward to welcoming our new Reception children. But it is also time to say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. Many of you have been at Llantilio Pertholey since you were just 4 years old. You are the first class in this school that I've known for a whole year. There are so many emotions we're all feeling: we will miss you all. You have all been a big part of our school and a big part of our lives. Even though we feel a bit sad to see you all leave Llantilion Pertholey, we are also very excited for you. We know you are ready to leave us and ready to start secondary school. We all wish you well and look forward to hearing how you are doing. Make us proud, and make yourselves proud. Be a proud busy bee!

Mums, Dads, Carers and Grandparents of Year 6 children. This is an emotional time for you too. You have supported your children like no other generation including being their teacher during the lockdowns. Talk to your child about their memories of Llantilio and share yours with them. Make sure they know how excited you are for them too. If you are nervous, hide it from them! Tell them you are proud of them and the young person they have become. Reminisce about their Sports' Days, their early paintings, their writing and teaching them to read. Remember their first nativity play and all the concerts since. Remember the cut knees and the school trips. Remember how small their hand was when you held it tight on their first day of school. Now look at them and be proud of yourselves.

The children are so ready to move on. Well done. You did a great job!

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On a personal note, I would like to thank the parents of this fabulous school for all of your support, and lovely messages. This has been my first full year as a headteacher and I am blessed to be the headteacher of Llantilio Pertholey Primary School. This job is so rewarding and to watch your children thrive and grow is a privilege. Our school is growing from strength to strength. I can't wait to share what we are planning to do next!

It just remains to say have a great summer break. Let's hope the sun shines for us.

Best Wishes and God Bless,

(Headteacher)

2nd September: Teacher Training

3rd September: Teacher Training

6th September: First Day for Children

25th October—29th October: Half Term

17th December: End of Term

4th January: Teacher Training

5th January: Start of Spring Term for children

21st February-25th February: Half Term

28th February: Teacher Training

8th April: End of Term

25th April: Start of Summer Term

Monday 3rd May: May Day

30th May— 3rd June: Half Term

6th June: Teacher Training

27th June: Extra holiday for Jubilee

1st July: Teacher Training

20th July: End of Summer Term

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