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I hope you are well and enjoyed the summer holidays. This is an exciting time for the school, as we hope to return to something close to 'business as usual' as defined in the new Welsh Government School Framework. We will consider these arrangements and update the school community with any changes in due course.

The new building was handed over to the school on 1st September. It is a tremendous addition to our learning facilities and will benefit all students. Like any new build there are a few snagging issues yet to resolve, and demolition and improvement work continues on the current building and will do throughout most of this term. These improvements include new student toilets, an upgraded all weather pitch, increased car parking and roof replacement, and therefore there is still considerable disruption to our site.

The first day for students in **Years 7 and 12 is Friday 3rd September**, and all students in all year groups will attend on **Monday 6th September**.

Here are some key messages regarding the return to school.

- the building will be open for students at **8.40am**
- all students should be in the building by **8.50 am** for registration
- the amount of traffic at peak times around the school is significant and we ask parents/carers who transport students to plan accordingly to help reduce congestion on nearby roads
- a staffed **drop off only point** is available in the front car park as usual. We would ask that you avoid using Stryt Isa as this will be used by staff, school buses and building contractors
- once on site, students will be directed by staff to the appropriate entrances and the one way system will continue due to building work
- **hand sanitiser** stations will still be in place as students enter the building
- **wearing masks** is still compulsory on **school transport** and will be required when moving around the **corridors**. All students who are not exempt should bring a mask to school. Masks are not required within classrooms, but may be worn if students so wish
- the timings of the school day, staggered breaks and lunchtimes, will continue and be reviewed during the first term.
- you are expected to wear full school uniform. Please click the following links that explains expectation for footwear [Footwear](#) and uniform [Uniform](#)

The start of the new school year brings much excitement for us all. Our aim is to see all of our students reach their potential and I know we will work effectively together to see this realised.

Best wishes

Mr. C. Ellis (Headteacher)

