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Dear parent / carer

Today (Friday, January 29) the First Minister Mark Drakeford has announced a phased and flexible back-to-school approach - if coronavirus cases continue to fall.

He stated that the youngest children in Wales could start returning to school after the February half-term if we continue to see a decline in coronavirus rates.

The return to primary school will be planned in a phased and flexible way from February 22, if the public health situation continues to improve. A final decision on this will be made next Friday.

We welcome this information from Welsh Government so that we can work with schools over the next few weeks to plan for pupils' safe return to the classroom.

Please be assured that the safety of both pupils and staff is our main priority, and we will be using this time to review the measures we have in place.

It is important to note that we will start with welcoming back the youngest (Foundation Phase) pupils first, but this will be done very cautiously, and it will take time before all pupils can return to school.

As soon as we have any further information, we will provide you with an update. In the meantime, your school will continue to support you with remote learning, we have seen some excellent work being carried out over the last few weeks and would like to thank you for co-operation and support on this, we know it is not easy.

Please continue to follow Welsh Government guidance to reduce the spread of the virus, and remember if you or your child or anyone else living in your household has any of the Covid-19 symptoms, you must immediately self-isolate and get tested.

It is also important that you inform your school if your child tests positive.





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I would like to thank you once again for your all your co-operation and support during this time.

Yn gywir,

Gareth Morgans

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