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10th December 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

We are all aware that these are extremely difficult times for all members of our community across Wrexham and we know that Covid-19 has impacted on many aspects of our lives.

The purpose of my letter is to inform you of the impact of Covid-19 on the end of term arrangements.

As you are aware, many pupils across schools have continued to experience disruption to their education during this time and we have seen an increase in the number of positive cases of Covid-19 amongst children and adults in Wrexham County Borough. As a result, many children and young people have been required to self-isolate.

All members of the Education Community are concerned about the rise in cases and the impact this is having on children and families, especially in the run up to Christmas.

It is expected that numbers of school students in self-isolation as a 'bubble' or contact group will continue to grow as cases in the community rise.

We are also acutely aware that any positive cases that we might confirm next week would result in whole year groups having to isolate over the Christmas period, including Christmas Day. This would have a huge impact on our community.

Having considered all of these factors, we have agreed with our Governing Body and Local Authority that face-to-face learning will cease and that remote learning will be provided for the last week of term. This decision is in line with the provision for secondary aged pupils across Wrexham County Borough. We believe that this decision is in the best interests of our school community. Therefore, our last day of face-to-face learning will be Friday 11th December.

The Local Authority and our school community are absolutely committed to offering the best provision under increasingly difficult circumstances and we recognise how worrying this situation must be for you.

Further details of distance learning and staff support for your child will be uploaded to our website on Monday 14th December

I sincerely hope that you will enjoy a safe, family Christmas and that we can all look forward together to an improving situation in the New Year.

Yours sincerely

M. Ferron - Evans.

Mrs Melanie Ferron-Evans
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