



Ysgol Uwchradd **Whitmore** High School

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Dear parent/carer,

You will be receiving a personalised letter in the post in the next few days. This will explain key details of how we would like your child to enter the school site.

I am sure you have a number of questions regarding the reopening. Below are answers to the most frequent questions we have been asked. If you have additional questions please contact Mark Kennedy. (kennedym21@hwmail.net)

1. What should my child wear?

We would like pupils to wear uniform where possible, but it is totally understood that some pupils may have grown out of aspects of their uniform. Blazers and ties will not be expected. If there are issues in regards to uniform, it will be permitted for pupils to wear Whitmore High sports kit as an alternative.

2. What should my child bring to school?

- A snack and water
- All necessary school equipment. A pen and pencil will be sufficient.
- Hand sanitiser if possible. (This will be provided by the school as well)
- Tissues
- Any required medication along with a letter advising on the taking of the medication

3. How should my child travel to school?

- Pupils are encouraged to walk or cycle to school and avoid pupil transport where possible.
- Senior staff will be available at the site entrance if you have questions

4. What time should my child arrive?

Pupils should arrive at 9am at the entrance detailed in the personalised letter that has been sent out in the post.

5. How many pupils will be in each classroom?

In order to provide 2m of space between each student, there is a maximum of 10 pupils in every classroom. The class will remain with the same teacher for the three-hour session.

6. What if my child needs the toilet?

We have a duty system in place to ensure pupils are able to use the toilets during the learning session.

7. Will the rooms be cleaned?

We have a team of cleaners who will be cleaning all areas of the school following each session with a particular focus on toilets, door handles, handrails, tables, chairs etc. There will also be cleaners on site during the learning session.

8. What will my child be learning?

We love learning here at Whitmore and teachers have planned interesting and useful learning experiences for your child. Each teacher will be teaching their subject specialism. Over the three weeks, teachers will be rotated into different classes, giving students a variety of learning experiences.

9. How many weeks before the summer holiday?

School Unions and the Welsh government have not been able to agree on the fourth week back in school. Whitmore High staff were ready and excited to welcome students in for the full four weeks however the decision has been made for all schools in the Vale to end the term on Friday 17th July. A letter from the Vale Council detailing this decision will be sent out later today.

We are looking forward to seeing you all next week

Many thanks

Innes Robinson

Head of School