



# Pentrepoeth Primary School

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## September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

You are probably aware of the statement issued by Minister for Education in Wales last Friday when he announced:

*“Three main changes are being proposed to bring some normality back to education ahead of the new autumn term. They are:*

- *Face coverings will no longer be routinely recommended in classrooms;*
- *Contact groups will no longer be required for school pupils or full-time learners in colleges. We will use our TTP system in order to identify close contacts of learners who have tested positive.*
- *Normal session times will resume.”*

In light of this announcement and paying due attention to the detail in the updated school's operational guidance Pentrepoeth will **retain the current arrangements that are in place in school, at least until Friday September 17<sup>th</sup>.**

This will allow schools to:

- Settle everyone back into school after the break
- Assess any changes made to national guidance over the summer holidays
- Understand how the TTP system will be used in primary schools in September (documentation is expected to be published in August for Headteachers)
- Continue to keep everyone as safe as possible

We want to avoid announcing any changes to our arrangements now, then having to change them before we return, should the national or local situation change again, causing confusion and uncertainty.



A reminder of the **current staggered start and finish times:**

|                   | Start  | Finish  |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| Morning Nursery   | 9.15am | 11.45am |
| Afternoon Nursery | 1.00pm | 3.30pm  |
| Reception         | 9.00am | 3.15pm  |
| Year 1            | 9.00am | 3.30pm  |
| Year 2            | 9.00am | 3.30pm  |
| Year 3            | 8.45am | 3.15pm  |
| Year 4            | 8.45am | 3.15pm  |
| Year 5            | 8.30am | 3.00pm  |
| Year 6            | 8.30am | 3.00pm  |

Our normal school times (pre Covid) were:

**School**

8.50am Doors open - 9.00am School starts:

3.15pm School Finishes for Reception, Years 1 and 2  
3.30pm for Years 3,4,5 and 6

**Nursery**

Morning - 9.00am – 11.30am  
Afternoon - 12.45am – 3.15pm



School risk assessments will be updated during the first 2 weeks back and parents notified of any changes to arrangements in readiness for Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September where we will hopefully return to normal start and finish times. We will also review the situation regarding breakfast club provision at the start of the Autumn term.

Please be aware that mitigations are still in the operational guidance and other restrictions such as one way systems, face coverings and social distancing may still be required. I will update you at the start of the Autumn term.

I hope that this clear and consistent message will reassure you the safety and wellbeing of our school community remains a high priority.

Please find attached an overview of times and drop off and pick up locations for September.

Your cooperation and understanding is very much appreciated.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. I will give a final update in the newsletter tomorrow.

Kind regards,

Dean Taylor  
Headteacher



Collection Point 1 – side of/or Junior Cloakroom entrance

Collection Point 2 – Via back main gates into back car park

Collection Point 3 – via back gates on to F Phase playground and around the one way system

Collection Point 4 – via the turning circle and main entrance to the front of the school off Bryn Hedydd

**No on-site parking is available for parents or visitors at the beginning and end of the school day. Drop off only in the mornings for children in years 3,4,5 and 6 or with siblings in those year groups. Children only to be dropped off and no parking in the drop off bays allowed.**

|                   | What time do pupils start? | What time do pupils finish? | Are you allowed to drive on site at the start of the day? | Drop off                         | Entry point to classroom     | Collection Point  |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Reception         | 9:00am                     | 3.15pm                      | No  | Nursery Entrance                 | Nursery Entrance             | Collection point 3  |
| Year 1            | 9:00am                     | 3.30pm                      | No  | Nursery Entrance                 | Nursery Entrance             | Collection point 3  |
| Year 2            | 9.00am                     | 3.30pm                      | Yes – Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle/ Nursery Entrance | External Classroom doors     | Collection Point 4 via Classroom doors via Turning circle |
| Year 3RD          | 8.45am                     | 3.15pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 1  |
| Year 3JB          | 8.45am                     | 3.15pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | Main entrance next to office | Collection point 2  |
| Year 4TG          | 8.45am                     | 3.15pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 1  |
| Year 4EJ          | 8.45am                     | 3.15pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 2  |
| Year 5JW          | 8.30am                     | 3.00pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 1  |
| Year 5TM          | 8:30am                     | 3.00pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 2  |
| Year 6GS          | 8:30am                     | 3.00pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 1  |
| Year 6RC          | 8:30am                     | 3.00pm                      | Yes - Drop off only                                       | Turning Circle Gate              | External Classroom door      | Collection point 2  |
| Morning Nursery   | 9.15am                     | 11.45am                     | No  | Nursery Entrance                 | Nursery Entrance             | Collection Point 4 Nursery Entrance                       |
| Afternoon Nursery | 1.00pm                     | 3.30pm                      | No  | Nursery Entrance                 | Nursery Entrance             | Collection Point 4 Nursery Entrance                       |

