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Dear Parents & Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already at a point that we are breaking up for the summer holidays. In all my years of teaching, I have never experienced a year quite like it for disruption. I am thankful to all of my staff for their dedication and hard work in ensuring there were continued learning opportunities for your children and for introducing new tools to make remote learning fun. It has been a steep learning curve for all of us. I am also very grateful to you for your patience and understanding and the many kind words we have received. We realise it has not been easy for you trying to juggle your usual lives as well as having your children at home. Flexibility has definitely been a key word of late... Thank you also to our pupils who have been an absolute delight in the last three weeks. They have been so excited to come back and have engaged in all that we have prepared for them. Their resilience has been astounding.

With the support of the Local Authority and the Governors of Richmond Park (who incidentally have been incredibly supportive all along) we now turn our attention towards September 2020. Kirsty Williams has stated that all children are to return to school (where possible) by 14th September 2020 following a two-day slot for all staff to prepare the school for the great return. Therefore, the timeframe for September will be as detailed overleaf. I have also highlighted some key points you need to note in preparation BUT I will keep you informed over the summer holidays of changes or new information. Things are still changing at a rapid pace for us and we await information and guidance from both the Welsh Government and the Local Authority.

I wish the very best to all Year 6 pupils leaving us, it has been a delight knowing them and see them develop over the years. It has been very odd this year not being able to say farewell in our usual way. Apologies for this but circumstances were not in our control.

The welcome for our new children at the beginning of the summer term this year was unfamiliar as well. We therefore look forward to meeting our new Nursery pupils and our new parents in September.

I wish you all well over the summer holidays and again urge you to stay safe and maintain social distance wherever possible. Hand and respiratory hygiene is still important in staving off Covid-19. We hope to see you all in September 2020 and very much look forward to getting back to a semblance of normality.

Kind regards,

Helen Luff ~ Headteacher

& all the Staff and Governors of Ysgol Parc Waundew















RETURN ARRANGEMENTS:

WEEK 1				
Mon 31 st Aug	Tues 1st Sept	Wed 2 nd Sept	Thurs 3 rd Sept	Fri 4 th Sept
Bank Holiday Monday	School closed to pupils	School closed to	Parent / teacher	9am – 11am PT
		pupils	meetings with	Nursery a.m. children
			selected parents	
				1pm – 3pm PT New
				Nursery p.m. pupils
				All Year 3
				All Year 6
WEEK 2				
Mon 7 th Sept	Tues 8th Sept	Wed 9 th Sept	Thurs 10 th Sept	Fri 11 th Sept
FT Nursery.	FT Nursery	All pupils in for their usual times		
All of Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	All of Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6			
½ of Year 1*	½ of Year 1*			
& PT Nursery pupils	& PT Nursery pupils			
	& All Reception pupils			

^{*} Parents will be informed over the summer holidays which children are due in when

- Children are to wear fresh, clean school uniform each day please.
- All children (apart from Nursery pupils) need to bring in packed lunch
- ALL children need to be dropped off at the main school entrance from Priory Street.
- Pick up will be from the Key Stage 2 playground at the back of the school the side gate from the public car park will be open (in order to ease parking arrangements) as well as the rear gates from Richmond Terrace. However, please note that we will still be operating a one way system.
- Children should not bring in any items to school other than a coat and their lunch.