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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your ongoing support during this term. I am happy to say that, considering the challenges we are facing, it has been a very successful first term. I wish nothing more than for you to have a restful and enjoyable Christmas with your loved ones.

We break up for the Christmas period on Friday 17th December and return to school on Wednesday 5th January.

Please note that Monday 3rd January is a bank holiday and Tuesday 4th January will be an INSET day here at Cefn Hengoed Community School.

Return to School in January

Face Coverings

All pupils and staff are required to wear face coverings indoors where physical distancing cannot be maintained. Parents/carers should continue to provide face masks and a small plastic bag in which pupils can store their covering when not in use. In addition to this, we will issue all pupils with three reusable face coverings when they return to school on Wednesday 5th January.

Pupils that travel to school on buses are required to wear face coverings during each journey. ***Please remind your child to wear their face covering at all times during the journey to and from school.***

Lateral Flow Testing for pupils and staff

The Welsh Government and Local Authority are encouraging all staff and pupils over 11 years old to test twice with LFD (3 or 4 days apart) in the week before returning to school and to then continue testing regularly twice weekly for two weeks after the start of term in January. Although **this is voluntary**, we ask for your support in encouraging your child to test in order to help keep everyone in our school community safe.

More information on testing can be found by watching this short instructional video [here](#).

In preparation for the Christmas period, we will be providing a box of seven tests to all pupils before the end of term. If your child does undertake a test you will need to accurately record all of your child's test



results at www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result or by calling 119. You will also need to inform us at school of a positive test result. **We do not need confirmation of a negative result.**

As always, I send my warmest wishes to you all. We as a school endeavour to support you and your family in any way we can and I ask you to please get in touch with us at any time. In the meantime, please look after yourselves and your loved ones. We are thinking of you all.

Merry Christmas.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C D Bale', written in a cursive style.

C D Bale
Headteacher