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Letter to all parents of students at The John Frost School

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to update you in preparation for the start to the new school term.

Please note the term start dates below

Monday 6 September

Y7 and Y12 in school

Tuesday 7 September

Y7 – Y13 in school; **Y7** and **Y9** school photographs

This phased approach will allow us to safely induct all students back into school and prepare them for the new term.

New operational guidance for schools has been issued by the Welsh Government. The school has updated its risk assessment. We will no longer be required to send year groups home when we have a confirmed case of coronavirus in school. I will write to you with further information at a later date.

The guidance states that schools should encourage all students to complete a lateral flow test before they return to school. We will send out information on lateral flow testing to parents next week and I would encourage all students to engage in the testing. I would ask that those students already participating in lateral flow testing to please complete a test the night before returning to school.

Students will need to use three ply face masks when using the school bus or public transport. Our updated risk assessment means that currently students **do not** have to wear masks around the school or in lessons. They can still wear masks if they wish to in school.

Please note some key information below.

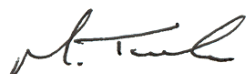
- 1. Buses** – Newport Transport provide all buses. Please visit their website at www.newportbus.co.uk
- 2. School Uniform** - We are very proud of our reputation for excellent uniform and all students should be wearing full uniform when they return in September. The whole school is expected to be in The John Frost School uniform. **The uniform, including pleated skirts and trousers, is available only from Trutex via their website and Beam uniform shop in Cambrian Road, Newport.** You will find a list of Trutex school uniform items and prices on our website.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- **Black shoes** only are to be worn (no trainers, sensible style for all day comfort and safety)
- **Jewellery** (other than studs in the ear) **is not allowed** for health and safety reasons – this includes facial piercings.
- Students can wear black **opaque** or grey tights or grey knee-high socks with a skirt.

- Make-up can be worn, however, it needs to be natural and suitable for a professional workplace. No false eyelashes, lipstick or excessive make-up is permitted.
 - Nail varnish can be worn; however, it must be a discreet colour. Nails must be a short, safe length so as not to cause injury to self or others. **NO** false nails or extensions are permitted as this breaches health and safety.
- 3. Parents must use ParentPay (our cashless method) to pay for school meals.** There is no option to pay for school lunch by cash or to top up a dinner card using the Revalue Machine as they have been removed. Parents/carers can also pay for school trips via our ParentPay site. If you have not yet registered for ParentPay, please contact Mrs Watkins, WatkinsT50@Hwbcymru.net who will provide you with details of how to do this.
- 4.** Where possible, I would ask parents to provide students with snacks and a packed lunch to ease congestion in the canteen during these times.
- 5.** To keep up to date with all school news, information and updates, please regularly visit our website at www.thejohnfrostschoo.co.uk and/or our social media sites; **Twitter** - @johnfrostschoo **Facebook** – The John Frost School **Instagram** – tjfs_

Yours sincerely



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