



Our Ref: DH/MC

9th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS AT YSGOL BRYN ELIAN

As mentioned to all parents prior to the re-opening of school, our intention was to constantly review our operating procedures over the time learners were on a phased return to school.

We have therefore come to the decision that, as of **MONDAY 14th September 2020**, we strongly urge **ALL** learners and staff to wear face coverings during entry to the school in the morning, changeover of lessons, and returning to lessons after break and lunch; learners will not need to wear a covering in classrooms. We recommend a re-usable covering.

This decision has been made on the following basis:

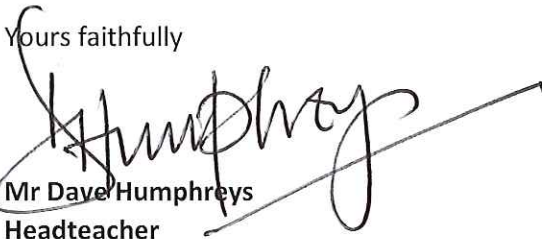
- It has been increasingly clear that, as the phased return of learners to school has taken place, it is difficult to monitor the mixing of contact groups in communal areas.
- Our building is an old building with narrow corridors, some only one metre wide.
- Some of our classrooms are linked through to others and, to maintain a one-way system, would see classes walking through others.

The health, safety and wellbeing of our learners is paramount and we ask for the full support of parents in ensuring that our learners wear the covering for their own safety and the safety of others.

We also encourage learners to bring a zip-lock plastic bag with them for the safe storage of the covering when not in use.

I thank you very much for your continued support of the school at this time.

Yours faithfully



Mr Dave Humphreys
Headteacher