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Dear Parents & Carers

Following the Welsh Government announcement regarding school reopening in September, we are able to provide you with details for your child's return to school for the new academic year.

I would like to begin, however, by drawing your attention to changes to INSET Days. Due to the evolving situation we find ourselves in, we have amended our plans for INSET days for the academic year 2020-21. These will now be six INSET days, as follows (please note, these are different to the dates published in my letter of 10th July):

1. Wednesday 30th September 2020
2. Wednesday 11th November 2020
3. Friday 29th January 2021
4. Wednesday 3rd March 2021
5. Monday 19th July 2021
6. Tuesday 20th July 2021

The new academic year will start on Tuesday 1st September 2020 with the first two weeks dedicated to 'planning and preparation' to ensure that all pupils and staff can return to school full time, safely.

From September, it is expected that all pupils will attend school with every child attending on a full-time basis from 10th September. As a result, all home learning work will finish this week.

Changes to arrangements to minimise the risk of transition of Covid-19

In order to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19, by reducing contact and enabling social distancing, the following changes have been made from September:

- Pupils will be placed in 'bubbles' by year groups, with years 8 and 9 as one 'bubble'
- There will be a staggered start and end to the day to reduce the volume of pupils arriving at school at any one time
- Break and lunch times will be staggered throughout the day
- A one-way system will be in place in internal corridors around the school
- Increased hygiene routines for all pupils and staff, including the use of hand sanitiser on entry and exit into buildings and classrooms

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Arrangements for pupils returning to school from 1st September 2020

	Tuesday 1st September	Wednesday 2nd September	Thursday 3rd September	Friday 4th September
	Staff Planning, Preparation & Training Day	Staff Planning, Preparation & Training Day	Year 7 in school	Years 7 & 11 in school Year 12 Induction (appointments)
Monday 7th September	Tuesday 8th September	Wednesday 9th September	Thursday 10th September	Friday 11th September
Years 7, 10, 11, 12 & 13 in school	Years 7, 10, 11 12 & 13 in school	Years 7, 8 & 9 in school	All Pupils In school	All Pupils in school

The school day will begin and end at these times:

	Start Time	Finish Time
Year 7	8:50	14:45
Year 8	8:45	15:05
Year 9	8:45	15:05
Year 10	8:40	14:50
Year 11	8:35	14:55
Year 12	8:30	15:00
Year 13	8:30	15:00

Catering facilities

We have been advised by the Local Authority that school catering facilities will not be available until 14th September, therefore all pupils must bring a packed lunch during the first two weeks of term.

From 14th September, until further notice, the following catering facilities will be provided for each year group:

Year 7	Cold food and packed lunch only served in the Main Hall
Years 8, 9 & 10	Hot and cold food and packed lunches served in the Canteen
Years 11, 12 & 13	Hot and cold brunch served at break time in the Canteen, and cold food and packed lunches served in the Main Hall at lunch time

There will not be any food sold at break time to Years 7-10, however, pupils are welcome to bring their own snacks in to eat on site at break time.

All pupils, with the exception of Years 12 & 13, will remain on site for lunch. **Pupils in Years 10 and 11 will not be allowed off site.**

Free School Meals

For those pupils who receive Free School Meals, the Council voucher scheme will be extended, and payment will be continued to be made via ParentPay. Therefore, any pupil entitled to Free School Meals must pay for their own meal via the biometric payment system or bring in a packed lunch.

Uniform

All pupils will be expected to wear full school uniform in line with our uniform policy (see enclosed). Our uniform supplier is YC Sports and all items can be bought from them directly.

As I am sure you are aware, there has been a lot of planning and preparation for September to ensure that all of our pupils, staff and our respective families are kept as safe as possible at all times. Whilst education is compulsory for pupils from September, any child that is displaying symptoms of Covid-19 must self-isolate at home for 7 days.

Our staff are looking forward to welcoming everyone back in September and to meeting our new Year 7 pupils. Once again, thank you for your ongoing support which has been so valuable to us over this whole academic year.

Yours sincerely



MRS D GILL
Headteacher

CANTONIAN HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM



School Uniform:

White shirt

Grey clip-on tie with a red stripe for Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9), blue stripe for Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11) and purple stripe for Key Stage 5 (Years 12-13)

Black V-neck jumper with red stripe for Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9)

Black V-neck jumper for Key Stages 4 & 5 (Years 10-13)

Black trousers (no leggings, jeans, joggers or ankle grazers) / black skirts (must be no more than TWO inches above the knee)

Black socks / black opaque tights

Plain black footwear

Outdoor coats only (no denim jackets, no hoodies or sweatshirts)

PE Uniform:

Black unisex training tops

Black jogging bottoms / black shorts

Black lightweight rugby shirt

Black leggings / black skorts

Optional black unisex PE hoodie (must have the badge and only work for PE)

Islamic Dress:

This must be made up in black and the school badge must be sewn to the top.

Hijab, if worn, should be plain black.

YC Sports are the sole supplier of our school uniform. They have shops at:

156 Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff CF11 9ND (Tel: 029 2022 0246)

5 Penlline Road, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 2AA (Tel: 029 2069 3653)

You can also ORDER ONLINE from WWW.YCSports.COM Search under the 'Schoolwear' tab – My School

Any pupil not in full school uniform will be sent home to change, after a telephone call has been made to inform the parent / carer.

Hair Styles

Extremes of style, cut or colour are unsuitable for school, and are not permitted.

Make-Up & Nails

We do not encourage pupils to wear make-up and nail varnish to school. However, if it is worn it must be subtle and discreet.

Jewellery

The only jewellery allowed in school is:

- **One** small signet ring
- **One** small pair of **stud** earrings (one stud in each ear-lobe)
- **One** wrist watch

No necklaces, bracelets or anklets, facial, or other body piercings are permitted, including nose, tongue and belly.

The reasons are:

- We cannot be responsible for personal property.
- **Large rings, earrings and body piercings can be a serious safety hazard.**

Continuing to wear unacceptable jewellery after a warning will mean that it will be confiscated. These rules apply at all times to both boys and girls and we enforce them strictly.