



Ysgol Gyfun Gwynllyw

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Dear Year 6 Families,

We hope that this letter finds you all well and settling into new routines. I am sure that you will be pleased to hear that year 7 have settled well at Gwynllyw and are enjoying learning all sorts of new and exciting things. Despite the changes and the inability to follow the normal transition program, they have already established new routines, new experiences and enjoying being back in a school setting with their friends old and new.

Year 6 is an exciting year for all of the family as you prepare to make the move towards secondary school. By now you should have visited the school a least twice and should have been visiting us this week. Unfortunately it is not possible for you to physically visit the school at this time but we are working in ways to bring the school to you.

We are very aware that you will have to make decisions regarding which secondary school you would like to attend very soon and that this probably seems like a daunting prospect when you are not physically able to come to the school.

I am sure that you are wondering how it is possible to bring school to you? In this virtual age we have a number of ways in which we can ensure that you are able to get the best experience possible given the circumstances and without putting anyone at risk.

Virtual Tour

We are in the process of filming a virtual tour of the school. You will hear an introduction from the various departments here at Gwynllyw as well as current Gwynllyw pupils and this will be available on YouTube for you to watch at home and in school.

Question Time

We are going to work with your teachers and headteachers to find a time where we can talk to pupils in your child's class through Google Meets. You will be able to ask us questions and we will hopefully be able to have some year 7 pupils from your school at the meeting to tell you all about their experiences at Gwynllyw so far.



Sports Activities

Our fantastic PE department have put together a range of sports activities that you can do in your primary schools. They will continue to add to these and you will complete these activities in your schools with your teachers as a taster of what is to come.

Social Media

We have accounts on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Please follow us as we often share information through these pages.

School Website

Our school website has a dedicated transition page, please visit our website and select the tab 'Pontio', you will see that there is already a great deal of information on here from last year and we will update this as we go with information that is relevant to you.

We hope that in the long run you will be able to come to Gwynllyw, be able to see the school properly and meet all of the staff here. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any specific questions by emailing pontio@gwynllyw.org or contacting the school office on the above details. In the meantime, we would be very grateful if you would provide us with contact details, this will enable us to provide you with an electronic copy of the school prospectus and update you directly as well as through the school with any relevant information. Please follow the link below and provide us with the information requested.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_mBdZPjepuulaZVqKXKo9bcAaYL9AVMuEcQm2Vy7CPi8uGA/viewform?usp=sf_link

We look forward to meeting you all virtually, until then, please stay safe and we will meet you in person when it is safe to do so.

Kind regards,

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Headteacher

Mrs Rh Dickenson
Assistant Headteacher

Mr G Evans
Head of Year 7 / Transition

