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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will already be aware, the Swansea approach to returning to schools in January has been revised, with us currently delaying the return to face-to-face learning until 11 January at the earliest.

The position on childcare is currently unchanged and schools will look to provide a service to our most vulnerable children and those key workers that have no other option available to them from 6 January onwards. This provision should only be accessed as a last resort and wherever possible pupils should remain home.

The delay to face-to-face learning will allow time to consider updated information about Covid-19, including the new variant. All schools will provide remote learning from Wednesday 6 January. Remote learning can be delivered in numerous ways and a number of different methods will be used within and across our schools. These methods will include "live" lessons, recorded lessons, work packs etc.

Additional payments or food parcels will be provided for learners entitled to free school meals during the period of home learning.

The overall position in Swansea will be reviewed later this week.

Regards

Helen Morgan-Rees

Interim Director of Education