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GORCHUDDION WYNEB MEWN YSTAFELLOEDD DOSBARTH

Annwyl rieni / ofalwyr,

Derbyniwyd cadarnhad gan y Cyfarwyddwr Addysg y dylid gwneud addasiadau i'n hasesiad risg cyfredol o dan gyfarwyddyd Iechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru. Fel y gwyrddoch, mae disgyblion a staff Ysgol Cwm Rhondda wedi parhau i wisgo gorchuddion wyneb mewn coridorau ac ardaloedd cymunedol y tu mewn i'r adeilad ers dechrau'r flwyddyn academaidd ac mae staff wedi parhau i'w gwisgo mewn dosbarthiadau. Mae croeso hefyd wedi bod i unrhyw ddisgybl sy'n dewis gwisgo gorchudd wyneb yn y dosbarth wneud hynny.

Argymhellir nawr bod pob disgybl ysgol uwchradd yn ardal Cwm Taf Morgannwg yn gwisgo gorchudd wyneb mewn ardaloedd cymunedol **ac mewn ystafelloedd dosbarth** onibai eu bod wedi'u heithrio.

Nid yw'r mesur ychwanegol hwn yn awgrymu bod cynnydd yn risg COVID-19 yr ysgol. Mae RhCT yn parhau ar lefel risg cymhedrol ac mae'r cynnydd mewn mesurau wedi'u rhoi ar waith i gynnal, ac o bosibl wella, presenoldeb ac felly atal niwed ehangach. Er bod achosion yn sefydlogi, ac yn dangos arwyddion o ostyngiad mewn disgyblion oed ysgol uwchradd, argymhellir gwisgo gorchuddion wyneb fel dull rheoli risg rhesymol ar draws pob ysgol uwchradd. Mae tystiolaeth newydd, gryfach o'r rôl y gall gorchuddion wyneb chwarae wrth leihau (nid atal) trosglwyddo Covid -19 mewn lleoliadau fel ysgolion.

Bydd y newid hwn yn cael ei weithredu o yfory ymlaen (06.10.21) ac yn cael ei adolygu gan y Tîm Rheoli Digwyddiadau Rhanbarthol a'r Cyfarwyddwyr Addysg ar 22^{ain} o Hydref. Y bwriad yw y gellir rhoi'r gorau i wisgo gorchuddion wyneb mewn dosbarthiadau ar ôl hanner tymor os yw'r data'n cefnogi gwneud hynny.

Byddwn yn trafod y newid hwn i'n canllawiau gyda disgyblion heddiw, a byddwn yn ddiolchgar pe gallech drafod hyn gyda'ch plentyn heno os yn bosibl. Diolch ymlaen llaw i chi am sicrhau, fel arfer, bod gan eich plentyn orchudd wyneb yn yr ysgol bob amser.

Gyda diolch am eich cefnogaeth barhaus.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Spanswick', enclosed within a simple black oval border.

Craig Spanswick

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FACE COVERINGS IN CLASSROOMS

Dear parents/carers,

Confirmation has been received from the Director of Education that adaptations to our current risk assessment should be made on under the direction of PHW. As you are aware, pupils and staff at Ysgol Cwm Rhondda have continued to wear face coverings in corridors communal areas indoors since the beginning of the academic year and staff have continued to wear them in classes. Any child who chooses to wear a face covering in class has also been welcome to do so.

It is now recommended that all secondary school pupils in Cwm Taf Morgannwg wear a face covering in both communal areas **and classrooms unless** they are exempt.

This additional measure does not suggest that there has been an escalation in COVID-19 risk in school. RCT remains at moderate risk level, but the escalation in measures have been put in place to maintain, and potentially improve, attendance and therefore prevent wider harms. While cases are stabilising and showing signs of reducing in secondary school age pupils, the use of face coverings is considered a reasonable control to be recommended across all secondary schools. There is reportedly new, stronger evidence of the role face coverings can have in reducing (not preventing) transmission specifically in school type settings.

This change will be implemented from tomorrow (06.10.21) and will be reviewed by the Regional IMT and the Directors of Education on the 22nd of October with a view to stopping the wearing of face coverings in classes after half term if the data supports that action.

Please discuss this change with your child this evening if possible. Thank you for ensuring, as usual, that your child brings a face covering to school at all times.

With thanks for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Craig Spanswick'.

Craig Spanswick
Headteacher