

Dear everyone,

It's difficult to believe that we are today starting on the ninth week since school had to close so suddenly on March 20th.

We do really hope that you are all keeping well and safe and dealing with this difficult situation as best as possible. I fully understand that you the children are missing your friends and also the school's daily routine. I can assure you that we're all missing every member of the Glanrafon family immensely, and nothing would be better for everyone of us than seeing you all again.

But we will have to wait for guidance from the Welsh Government before we have that pleasure again. You've seen the media attention for the fact that schools in England will be re-opening for some pupils on June 1st – this is not the case in Wales. Ysgol Glanrafon, or any other school in Wales, will not be opening until the Education Minister and the Welsh Government are absolutely certain that it is safe for children and staff to return. Even then, it is very likely that a minority of pupils will be returning at one time. The next discussions will take place at the end of May, and further information will be available following that. Whatever happens at that time, there will be three weeks' notice before any school will re-open, and that any cohort of pupils will return.

I take this opportunity to thank the school's staff for their work in supervising at the Resilience Hub and also for planning and preparing weekly motivating activities online for all the pupils. All is greatly appreciated. Many thanks to you also for your support to the children, and it's lovely to see their activities on Teams and SeeSaw. It will be half term holiday next week, and I sincerely hope that everyone will have an opportunity to relax and have a well - deserved break.

You are reminded to remember to e mail post@glanrafon@hwbcymru.net if you have any enquiries – it is a pleasure to be able to offer assistance in any possible way at this difficult time.

You are all regularly in our minds and hearts.

Special wishes to **every pupil** at Ysgol Glanrafon – do remember children that there is light at the end of every tunnel.

Most sincerely,

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(Headmistress)

