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Dear Parent/Guardian

I wanted to write to you to thank you for your support. This half term has been a tough one for all of our YBA community and only by working together are we able to keep everyone safe.

As a community it has been wonderful to welcome our Year 7 students and they have settled into life here at YBA well demonstrating real resilience and determination. Despite the turbulence the Global Pandemic has brought, our students have really risen to the challenge showing their maturity and responsibility in the way they have conducted themselves. They should be extremely proud of their efforts.

Yesterday the First Minister for Wales announced a Circuit Break for some students. The week beginning **Monday 2nd November 2020** will see our **Year 7 and 8 students returning to school** as normal. However, **Year 9, 10 and 11 students will access Distance Learning from home until Monday 9th November 2020.** Work will be being set for these students on Google Classroom. Staff have been working hard to ensure there is a variety of activities which will focus your child's learning and support their progress. Staff will also be offering tailored feedback and advice to support your child. **Only by engaging fully with the work set on Google Classroom can students reach their full potential.** I would urge you to ask your child to follow their normal timetable in order to make the most of this opportunity.

Our school website can support both learners and their families with accessing online learning and we are more than happy to discuss any query you may have via our Mailbox.

Help for accessing google Classroom can be found on our website:

<https://sites.google.com/hwbcymru.net/ybaonlineguides/google-classroom?authuser=0>

Contact the school via:

mailbox@ysgolbrynalyn.wrexham.sch.uk

I hope all of our community are able to have a restful half term break and **come back ready to learn**, be that face to face or online on **Monday 2nd of November 2020.** Finally, I would like to remind all of our students, for the safety of our community, to follow Public Health Wales guidance and **stay at home** from Friday 23rd at 6pm until Monday 9th November 2020 in order to **save lives.**

<https://gov.wales/coronavirus-firebreak-frequently-asked-questions>

I wish you all well and urge you to stay safe.

Mrs Slinn Headteacher

