

9th October 2026

We are writing to provide our latest weekly update regarding the planned closure of the Roseheyworth campus and the ongoing transition arrangements across Abertillery Learning Community (ALC).

Individual Campus Allocation Letters & Key Dates

Individual letters confirming the specific campus your child has been allocated to, with effect from **Monday 5th July 2027**, will be sent via email on **Wednesday 14th October**.

In addition to the email digital notification:

- Individual letters will also be posted out on the same day. Please acknowledge that, by the nature of postal communication, these physical letters will arrive later in the week depending on the postal service.
- A Dojo message will be sent to the parents and carers of all Roseheyworth pupils on **Monday 12th October** as a reminder of these arrangements.

If any parent or carer would like a direct conversation regarding the proposed campus allocation for their child, meetings can be scheduled during the week beginning Monday 19th October.

These meetings can be arranged directly by contacting our Acting Head of Campus / Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Kimberly Locke, via email at:

LockeK25@bgcbcschools.wales

We want to reassure parents and carers that we remain completely open to discussing allocations. However, please also note that individual campus capacity, resource allocation, distribution of staff (including their specific skill sets and expertise), and class size limitations must all be taken into account during any individual conversations held.

High-Level Timeline & Implementation Rationale

Our Senior Leadership Team (SLT) is currently working on a high-level timeline to ensure full implementation takes effect from Monday 5th July 2027.

As outlined in our previous communications, we strongly believe that an early two-week transition ahead of the summer break offers significant emotional, social, and academic benefits:

- **Whole-School Involvement:** All year groups across ALC will transition to their new classes at this point. This is not simply a Roseheyworth pupil move; it ensures every pupil across

the entire school community has the opportunity to engage with their new September 2027 arrangements early.

- **Settling in & relationship building:** Pupils can adapt to new routines, site layouts, and campus environments while fully supported by staff, building friendships and connecting with their new teachers.
- **Alleviating summer anxiety:** Completing the transition before the summer holidays eliminates long-term worry and uncertainty, allowing children to go into their break knowing exactly where they are going in September.
- **Head start:** Secondary-phase pupils can begin studying their new courses early, and staff can address any early challenges or timetable issues well in advance.

Month of Transition Activities (June 2027) & Forward Planning

To ensure everyone is prepared, the entire month of June 2027—prior to the July 5th implementation—will be dedicated to transition activities for pupils, parents/carers, and staff.

This ensures every family has the chance to engage in the new arrangements early, ask questions, and raise any concerns so they can be addressed promptly.

Working backward from the implementation date and the June transition month, SLT is carefully planning all operational elements.

Classroom setup, data transfers, resource distribution, and teacher planning and preparation are being structured with plenty of notice. This guarantees that all logistical and educational preparations are complete well in advance of June, ensuring a smooth and confident move on 5th July.

We acknowledge that the upcoming changes will still be difficult for many in our community, and we understand the emotions involved. By planning early and maintaining regular, open communication, we hope to alleviate anxieties as much as possible.

The school remains fully committed to working alongside our families. If you or your child need any specific support at any point during this process, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Warm regards,

Senior Leadership Team at Abertillery Learning Community