



17th February 2020

PHASED RETURN TO SCHOOL – PRACTICAL SUBJECTS

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. I also hope this letter will give some useful information regarding the phased return to school from 22nd February for pupils in the Senior Phase studying practical subjects.

From 22nd February, pupils in the Senior Phase will have the opportunity to come into school for blocks of time for specific subjects.

FACE TO FACE TEACHING IN THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS FROM 22ND FEBRUARY 2021

- Administration N4/N5/H
- Art & Design N4/N5/H/AH
- CAD N5
- Computer Games Design N5
- Computing N5/H/AH
- Design & Manufacture N4/N5
- Drama N5
- Early Education & Childcare N4/5
- Fashion & Textiles N5
- French N5
- German N5/H
- Graphics N4/5/H
- Hospitality N5
- Music N4/5/H/AH
- Photography H
- Practical Woodwork N4/5
- Spanish N5

Due to current government guidance it is not possible to undertake practical PE coursework in the building. This will continue to be reviewed.

FORMAT OF TIMETABLE/SCHOOL WEEK

Pupils will attend for either a morning or afternoon block in their specific subjects, **as per the timetable attached**. For some subjects, such as French, German and Spanish there may be a specific arrangement in place to deliver content which is required for the practical component of the course. In this case, the class teacher will confirm with pupils when they are expected to attend for their learning.

Pupils will be attending for teaching and learning purposes, in subjects where school resources are required. Pupils identified as falling into this category are expected to attend on their allocated days and at the correct time slot. They will report directly to their class teacher.

Pupils will be allocated to AM or PM sessions by the end of this week in each of their subjects, which will be communicated to you via text message.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

Any pupils who are entitled to transport and attend a morning session may travel on the school bus and will be issued with a bus pass from school staff, at the end of their session to allow free travel on public transport.

Pupils attending an afternoon session, will be issued with a bus pass to get them into school and may travel home on the school bus. Pupils coming in on Monday 22nd February for an afternoon session will have a bus pass posted to them. Thereafter, they should collect their ticket in school for the next day's journey.

On school transport, pupils must wear face coverings (unless exempt) and physically distance from other pupils. Any pupils who choose not to cooperate with these measures, will need to arrange an alternative transportation method.

SPACE IN SCHOOL

Young people reporting to school to access practical classes should enter via the PE doors. The social area and S6 common room are not open to any pupils attending for practical subjects. Therefore, pupils should report to school as close to the start of their timetabled block and be prepared to head home as soon as it has ended. In class, pupils will be required to follow 2m distancing rules.

Pupils can bring a snack to school; any breaks will be organised by the class teacher. Sandwiches/baguettes will be available for pupils; however, this is a grab and go service only.

UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

All pupils should wear school uniform and bring any jotters, notes etc required for the subject. Face coverings should be worn in class, unless young people are exempt.

HUB PROVISION

Gleniffer High will continue to operate a hub service for the children of keyworkers. Senior phase pupils who attend the hub should take part in their practical subject classes as timetabled and attend the hub for the other part of the day. School uniform should be worn.

LFD TESTING

Pupils in the Senior Phase, who will be attending school for practical subjects or hub, may if they choose participate in Lateral Flow testing. Test kits are issued by the school once a completed consent form has been returned. Young people under 16 require the consent of a parent or carer. This is entirely voluntary, pupils will still be able to attend school if they do not wish to take part. Consent forms and kits can be collected from the school between 2pm and 3pm on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th February. To take a kit away, we MUST have a completed consent form. Alternatively, pupils can collect a kit on their first day back.

Please note a negative test result does not remove the need for other mitigations such as face coverings and physical distancing.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

An information session for the parents and carers of senior phase pupils is planned for 6.30pm on Thursday 18th February on MS Teams. Please [Click here to join the meeting](#)

We look forward to meeting with you then.

Kind regards

Lisa Chalmers

Head Teacher