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PHASED RETURN TO SCHOOL FROM 15TH MARCH

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you safe and well and that like us, you are welcoming the phased return to the building of all learners.

The Scottish Government set out a plan for the return, which gives us opportunity to reintroduce more face to face learning for all pupils. This however does not come without challenges, as we must follow strict Health and Safety protocol.

In this letter I have tried to provide detail of the phased return for all year groups, which has taken note of Education Scotland and Renfrewshire guidance.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- 2m distancing for all pupils S1-6 in classes and corridors, social spaces. This includes distancing from staff. Some classes will require to be taught in the S6 common room, gym halls or social area to allow for 2m distancing.
- Face coverings to be worn by pupils S1-6 in all areas of the school (unless exempt).
- Hand sanitising on entry to the building and classes as well as exit.
- Desks and seats to be cleaned on entry to and exit from classes/learning spaces.
- LFD testing for pupils in the **Senior Phase** and staff. Voluntary but encouraged. Additional kits will be available for collection on a daily basis, if consent has already been given.
- LFD kits can be collected between 2pm and 3.30pm on Friday 12th March for pupils who have not already signed up (**Senior Phase only**).
- 1m distancing on school transport.
- Pupils should enter via the doors which were used prior to Christmas.
- Pupils should time their arrival as close as possible to the start of their learning block, as there are no spaces to wait indoors.



These measures are for the safety of all and allow us to start re-opening in line with government guidance. Pupils unwilling to cooperate with these measures should continue with remote learning until the holidays.



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PUPIL BLOCKING

- Pupils will be assigned to Group A (Blue) or Group B (Pink)
- **There can be no changes made to the pupil groupings.** This has been pulled together in a very short space of time and is based on accurate class numbers and to ensure physical distancing with limited space.
- A schedule of attendance is attached. Your child will be allocated their Group this week and will attend at the times shown on the schedule.

TIMETABLE

- Morning sessions run from 8.50am-11.30am every day.
- Afternoon sessions run from 12.25pm-3.00pm every day.
- Pupils will attend their normal timetabled classes on the days and times they are to attend, although may be in different classrooms.
- S4-6 pupils will attend on a daily basis, either morning or afternoon (as per rota). S6 pupils should only attend when they have classes.
- **Any S6 pupils who are entitled to transport and require a bus pass to get them to school for their timetabled classes will be issued with these on a daily basis. There are no spaces available for gathering in school.**
- Pupils studying consortium subjects will continue to learn remotely and will not travel to other schools.
- S1-3 pupils will attend either two mornings or two afternoons (as per the rota).
- A timetable is included for your information.

BREAKS AND LUNCHES

- Pupils may bring a refreshment or snack for their learning block. There will be no canteen facilities for breaks. Water and cereal bars will also be provided throughout the morning.
- Pupils are encouraged to use toilet facilities **before** their first class of the day to reduce movement around the school.
- There is no access to the social area or common room, except for learning purposes.
- Hub pupils will continue to have lunches in a sectioned area of the social area. Separate communication will be sent to these pupils.
- Free meal entitlement continues to be paid directly to parents/carers until the holidays.
- A Grab and Go lunch can be ordered when arriving at school. This will take the format of sandwich, drink and snack.
- Pupils will be encouraged to leave the building quickly at the end of their learning block.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT

- Additional transport has been organised to take pupils home after a morning session or bring them to school for an afternoon session. Please note the school day finishes at 3pm every day, with the exception of 1st April when school closes at 2.30pm for the holidays.

UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

- Full school uniform is required every day. If a pupil has PE, they may wear their kit for that full learning block to avoid use of changing rooms.
- Subject equipment should be brought, as required, for the classes that day. Pupils should check their timetables in advance, so they know exactly where they are going.

REMOTE LEARNING

- While remote learning will continue, please recognise that the offer will be reduced/adapted as staff cannot facilitate in-class learning and remote learning at the same time.

I fully appreciate there is a lot of information to take in from this communication, however please be assured that by Monday we will be in a position to welcome back pupils as timetabled.

Kind Regards



Lisa Chalmers

Head Teacher