# **People Directorate**

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Changes to Plans for Returning to School in August

As you will know, the Scottish Government announced last week that schools can reopen fully in August if the Covid-19 virus continues to be suppressed. As a result, our Blended Learning plan which I shared with you in June will now become our Plan B. We have begun to work on new plans to get all our young people back to school safely on a full-time basis.

School will reopen on Tuesday 11 August which will be an in-service day for staff. Pupils will return in a phased way from Tuesday 12 August. This is to allow us to test new arrangements such as entering the school building, one-way systems, hand washing, break times and social distancing for adults and between adults and young people.

## **Induction Days**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our young people back. On their induction day, we will go through our new procedures and health and hygiene measures, issue timetables and answer any questions they may have. Year groups will come in on different days and spend a full day in school. All pupils should arrive at the usual time of 8.45am and go to their Daily Personal Support classroom which will be the same room as last year.

Year	Date	Start Time	End Time
S2	Thursday 13 August 2020	8.45am	2.50pm
S3	Thursday 13 August 2020	8.45am	2.50pm
S4	Friday 14 August 2020	8.45am	2.50pm
S5/6	Friday 14 August 2020	8.45am	2.50pm

#### All pupils will attend on 17 August to begin their normal timetable.

### **Health and Safety Measures**

We have installed hand sanitisers at all entrances to the building and hand sanitiser will be available in every class along with disinfectant sprays and disposable towels at every desk and work station. Hygiene routines will be in place and we will spend time on the induction day going over this with pupils. Pupils are allowed to bring a school bag with their own equipment but there will be restrictions on sharing resources.

Our Risk Assessments are currently being finalised and I will be able to share more detail with you about our health and safety measures and any other changes we are making to avoid congestion and large gatherings, before your child returns next week.

I know that this may be an anxious time for you and your child. Please be reassured that we are doing everything possible to minimise risks so that young people can come back to school and get on with their learning in as normal a way as possible.

Best wishes

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Mary Byrne Head Teacher