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### **Dear Parent / Carer**

## May / June update

Thank you for your on-going support over the past session. We know that it has be difficult time for us all as we navigated the various changes to restrictions. It has been great to have the young people back in school and having them in classes for face to face learning once more. As we move towards the end of term we would like to update you with what is happening over the coming weeks.

## **Key Dates**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Holiday Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021 Holiday Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 Inservice Day (Secondary Schools only) Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Inservice Day (Secondary Schools only) Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 End of term – school closes at 1.00pm

#### Change of timetable

Current S1-4 classes will change timetable on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021.

It is really important that young people continue to attend school until the end of term. S2 pupils will be moving into their chosen subjects as will S4 and their new courses will be starting then.

S5 pupils will move into their chosen subjects on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 after their current assessments finish. Tutorial support will be provided by staff for those assessments that young people have week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021. Details are at the end of this letter.

#### S1-3 Reports

Staff and pupils are currently working on their end of term reports. These are a different format than previous years given the disruption that we have had this session. We will send a text alert to let you know when the reports are in the post so please look out for these. Pastoral Care staff will be in touch also to ensure you have received a copy and to see if there is anything we can do to support.

### **Awards Ceremony**

As you know we will be unable to have an Awards Ceremony in school again this session however we wanted to ensure that the fabulous work that young people have been doing is recognised. Staff have nominated young people for awards an we will have a virtual ceremony on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021. Young people who have been nominated will be provided with further information. We do hope that next session we will be able to celebrate in person.





# **SQA – Alternative Curriculum Model (ACM)**

As all the parents / carers of S4-6 pupils will be aware we are working to a very different model of certification for our young people which is based on demonstrated attainment. Young people have been working hard towards a series of in class assessments so that we have the necessary evidence for SQA to ensure that they receive the accreditation they have worked hard for. This will be ongoing over the next 2 weeks and it is essential that they are in school to complete any outstanding assessments that they may have.

As part of this new model we will be issuing young people their provisional results on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Prior to this S4 will receive feedback on their latest assessments on the 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and S5-6 on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Further details will follow for this in due course.

#### P7 visits

We will be welcoming our new S1 pupils in their primary school bubbles from the  $8^{th} - 16^{th}$  June 2021. This will be a very different experience for the young people but we are delighted that they will be able to visit our school and meet some of the members of staff before joining us in August 2021.

# **Summer Programme**

We are very lucky to be working with FARE and the Rangers Charity Foundation and are able to offer an exciting summer programme. Over 80 young people have already signed up. If your young person is wanting more information they should speak to one of the Farebears in the Fuel Zone, Crush Hall or S1 Playground as soon as possible as spaces will be limited.

#### **Fuel Zone**

Our Fuel Zone is now accepting cash transactions once more. There is a selection of hot and cold snacks on offer at interval as well as hot meals at lunchtime. Those who have been paying through BACS should now switch to cash payment once their current balance has been spent.

## Behaviour in the wider school community

We are very proud of our young people and their achievements however there have been a few occasions recently where a small number of young people have been involved in anti-social behaviour in the local community both at lunchtime and after school. We consistently remind young people about the standard of behaviour we expect and hope that you can re-enforce this with them at home.

We carry out a litter pick in the local area every Friday afternoon led by our Campus Police Officer which helps keep the area tidy but again, please do encourage your young person if they are out at the local food outlets at lunchtime to dispose of their rubbish responsibly – there are lots of bins in the vicinity.

#### **School Uniform**

We know that it is towards the end of term and that young people may have out grown their current uniform. We have lots brand new uniform available if this is the case. It is important that young people continue to wear uniform to all their classes. If a young person has PE P1 they may come to school in their PE kit but must bring their uniform to change into. At all other times young people are expected to be in full uniform and as mentioned we are able to support if required. Please just contact your young person's Pastoral Care Teacher.

I hope you have found this update helpful but please do get in touch if you have any questions.

Once again, thank you for all your support in what has been a difficult session for us all.

Yours sincerely

#### Maura McNeil

## **Head Teacher**

	Staff	Subject
P3&4	P. Donald	Art
P4&5	B. Callaghan	Chemistry
P3&4	C. Egan	Design & Manufacture
P3&4	M. Jennings	Drama
P3&4	J. Oakes	History
P3&4	M. McCafferty	Metalwork (PCS)
P3&4	G. Comerford	PE
P4&5	T. Varley	Photography
Wednesday 02/06/2021	Staff	Subject
P4&5	T. Varley	Art
P2&3	D. Mullen	Business
P4&5	D. Gill	Biology
P4&5	C. Duffy	Computer Games Design
P3&4	S. Be	Modern Studies
P1&2	I. Gordon	Music
P1&2	E. McCumesty	Physics
Thursday 03/06/2021	Staff	Subject
P3&4	G. Comerford	PE