



Education Resources
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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well. First of all, I'd like to reiterate Mr McGowan's words by warmly welcoming you all to Lesmahagow High School. We are excited to see all our new S1 pupils on Wednesday, 12th August and we hope they are looking forward to starting the next step in their educational journey with us. However, we appreciate that some may be nervous, so I hope this letter helps to reassure them.

As you will know, next week S1 will attend school on both Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th August. On both mornings, S1 should remain outside on the concrete netball court, weather depending, where staff will be there to welcome them and direct them when coming into the school building at 8.40am.

Both Wednesday and Thursday will be transition days where young people will engage in a range of activities allowing them to become familiar with the school, layout, subjects, staff, timetable and have an opportunity to meet their new peers. We hope this will allow them to feel settled and ready to start their formal timetable on Monday, 17th August. For next week and part of the following week, pupil guides will help S1 classes manoeuvre around the school allowing them to get used to the layout of the building and location of subjects. Our primary focus for next week will be pupil wellbeing and helping pupils to feel settled in their new school.

There will also be no requirement for pupils to bring their PE kit on Wednesday, 12th or Thursday 13th August.

Lunch

All S1 pupils will remain within the school grounds as per our normal arrangements. Pupils are able to bring a packed lunch or purchase food from the canteen. Arrangements for purchasing at the canteen will be shared with pupils next week when they arrive. All S1 pupils will also have their photograph taken on Wednesday, 12th August for their new National Entitlement Card.

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Class Lists

As we return, class lists may need to be adjusted to allow for the smooth return of pupils to the building in the safest possible manner. If adjustments are required, I will be in contact with you to discuss this before any changes are made. This will only happen if absolutely required.

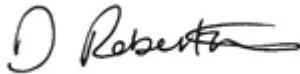
Transport

School transport will run as normal for pupils. Social distancing and face coverings are not required whilst on school transport as per Government guidance. Further information on school transport can be found on the link below:

https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary_school_information/545/school_transport

We thoroughly look forward to welcoming all out new starts next week but please feel free to get in contact on the number or email provided if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,



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