



# Education Resources Executive Director Tony McDaid Head Teacher Richard McGowan Lesmahagow High School



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Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Remote Learning**

We are now in our third week of home learning and have been very pleased with the level of engagement from pupils in Google Classrooms and Google Meets. This week, pupils are following the 'even' week timetable and are focussing on their period 1 (single period) then periods 2, 4 and 6 (double periods) classes from Monday to Thursday and periods 2 and 4 (double periods) classes on Friday. If pupils require any resources whilst they are learning at home, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Pupil Support Teacher or Principal Teachers of Support for Learning. Contact details are shown overleaf. Next week, pupils will follow the 'odd' week timetable, focussing on period 1 (single period) then periods 3, 5 and 7 (double periods) classes from Monday to Thursday and periods 1 and 3 (double periods) classes on Friday.

#### **Glow Passwords/ Technical Issues**

If your child needs their Glow Password reset, or if they have any other technical issues please contact the school office for support and advice. A website has also been developed to support parents and learners in South Lanarkshire Council when accessing Google Classroom at home: <a href="https://sites.google.com/sl.glow.scot/slcremotelearning/home">https://sites.google.com/sl.glow.scot/slcremotelearning/home</a> Our troubleshooting guide, developed in response to feedback from our Learning at Home Survey in May 2020 and advice on Video Conferencing can also be found at our Learning at Home page on the school website: <a href="https://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/working-at-home/">https://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/working-at-home/</a>

### Staffing

In November, Mr. Marc Campbell joined us as Principal Teacher of Technologies from Duncanrig High School in East Kilbride. This term, Mrs. Morag Storry has returned as Principal Teacher of Support for Learning (0.4 FTE, in school on Mondays and Tuesdays). We have said farewell to Mr. Derek Brown, Teacher of Business and Computing, who has moved to Calderside Academy, Miss Heather Gardner, Teacher of Drama, who has moved to a teaching post in Dubai and Mrs. Jane Young, Active Breaks Worker, Youth and Family and Community Learning Services, who has retired. We have thanked Mr. Brown, Miss Gardner and Mrs. Young for the contribution they have made to our school community over the years and wish them well in the future.

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Following successful interviews, the following appointments have been made:

- Mrs. Linda Wright Acting Depute Head Teacher with responsibility for pupils in S3 and S6;
- Mr. Andrew Hill Acting Principal Teacher of Pupil Support for Logan House;
- Ms. Iasha Iqbal has been appointed Acting Principal Teacher of Developing the Young Workforce (0.5 FTE); and
- Ms. Stephanie Kelly has been appointed as Teacher of Drama and will join us from Glasgow City Council.

Thank you to our Parent Council for their help with the interviews for Acting Depute Head Teacher.

#### **Course Choice**

Over the next two weeks, pupils in S3-S5 will consider their course choices for next session. Support and advice will be provided by your child's Pupil Support Teacher. S2 pupils will choose their subjects for S3 in February. If you have any questions relating to course choice please contact your child's Pupil Support Teacher.

# **February Break**

Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> February are school holidays. Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February is an inservice day for staff. Pupils will study the 'even week' timetable on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Updated Contacts**

Year Groups	Depute Head	Email address
	Teacher	
S1 and S4	Mr Robertson	gw10robertsondavid8@glow.sch.uk
S2 and S5	Mr Gray	gw14grayalastair@glow.sch.uk
S3 and S6	Mrs Wright	gw07wrightlinda5@glow.sch.uk
Inclusion Support	Mrs Docherty	gw19dochertypamela@glow.sch.uk
Team		

Principal Teacher		Email address
Pupil Support - Kerse	Mr Mallaghan	gw07mallaghanjames@glow.sch.uk
House		
Pupil Support - Logan	Mr Hill	gw09hillandrew4@glow.sch.uk
House		
Pupil Support - Milton	Mr Robson	gw07robsonfergus@glow.sch.uk
House		
Support for Learning	Mrs Laird	gw07lairdhazel2@glow.sch.uk
Support for Learning	Mrs Storry (Mondays	gw20storrymorag@glow.sch.uk
	and Tuesday)	
Equity and Inclusion	Mrs Smith	gw10smithgemma8@glow.sch.uk
Developing the Young	Ms Iqbal	gw11iqbaliasha@glow.sch.uk
Workforce		

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Pupil Support Teacher or any member of the Senior Management Team, who will be happy to help.

Kind regards,

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