



**Education Resources**  
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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted that the Scottish Government has confirmed the full return of all pupils to school from Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> April. Pupils who are shielding should return from Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April.

A range of Covid-19 risk reduction mitigations will continue to ensure the safety of all members of our school community. Pupils should wear face coverings when travelling on school transport, in classes and in busy communal areas, unless exempt. Hand sanitisers will be available at all entrances and pupils should sanitise or wash their hands when entering and leaving the school and within classrooms. At the beginning of the school day, S1-S3 pupils should enter the building through the main entrance and wait in the Street area until the morning bell sounds. S4-S6 pupils should continue to enter via the PE entrance and wait in the Games Hall until the morning bell sounds. We will encourage pupils to spend as much non-class time outside as possible. Staggered intervals and lunch-time arrangements will continue for S1-S3 and S4-S6 pupils, as will our two-week timetable. Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> April is a 'week 2' timetable. Enhanced cleaning regimes will also continue within the school.

The Fusion App can be used to pre-order from the school canteen. Students who are leaving the school grounds at lunch-time must ensure they comply with Covid-19 mitigations in local shops and sanitise their hands when returning to the school building.

We encourage all members of our school community to participate in the voluntary lateral flow testing programme. Staff will be in the Street area and Games Hall at the start of the day to issue lateral flow test kits to pupils as required, and will also be in the Street area during interval and lunch-times. Consent forms should be returned to the school office or when collecting kits for the first time. Copies of the consent form and full information are available from the school office and on the school website. An electronic consent form is also available at: [Google Form – Consent Form Link](#) Our lateral flow testing days are Sundays and Wednesdays.

We hope that you have had a restful and relaxing holiday and look forward to welcoming our pupils back to school next week. Thank you for your continued support. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

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