



Education Resources
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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you and your family are keeping safe and well and would like to take this opportunity to provide some updates from our school.

Programme of Assessments

Our Programme of Assessments for Senior Phase pupils, as part of SQA's Alternative Certification Model, is now underway. Most assessments have been organised in class time and dates have been shared through Show My Homework. If you have any questions or concerns relating to the assessment arrangements for your child, please do not hesitate to contact their Pupil Support Teacher, the Principal Teacher for the subject or Mr Gray, SQA Coordinator.

School calendar

We have revised our whole school calendar for May and June 2021 due to our changed circumstances.

Two additional in-service days have been allocated by the Scottish Government to all secondary schools to support arrangements for the Senior Phase assessments. For South Lanarkshire secondary schools, these will take place on Tuesday, 1st and Wednesday, 2nd June 2021.

An additional S4-S6 tracking report will be issued on Wednesday, 2nd June, with current working grades for all Senior Phase courses. Our S2 reports will now be issued on Wednesday, 9th June. Parents of S2 pupils will receive further information regarding the S2 reports in a letter from Mr Gray. We plan to move to our 2021-22 timetable on Monday, 14th June 2021.

S1-S3 Learner Survey

All S1-S3 pupils in South Lanarkshire secondary schools have been invited to complete a survey to help inform future planning. The link to the survey is in Year Group Google Classrooms. Please encourage your son/daughter to complete this survey if they have still to do so.

Face coverings and Lateral flow test kits

Robust health and safety procedures remain in place within the school. Pupils are reminded

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regularly of the importance of wearing their face covering on school transport and within the school building (unless exempt) and sanitising and washing hands regularly throughout the day.

Lateral flow tests kits can be collected from Mrs Maxwell and Mrs McCallum in the Street area or S6 area before school starts, then from the Street area at intervals or lunch-times or the medical room outwith these times. All pupils and staff are encouraged to participate in this programme and to record their result at: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> . Further information about the lateral flow test programme is available on the school website.

New Colleagues

Mrs. Michelle Gillespie and Mrs. Jacqueline Archibald, Class Support Assistants, have joined our team and are supporting pupils across the curriculum.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Barbara A. Lee

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Acting Head Teacher