



Monday 1st June 2020

Transition information for P7 into S1 Session 2020-21

Dear Parent/ Carer

We know that you and your child will have begun thinking about the move into S1 and we are aware that you will have a number of questions about the arrangements ahead, in particular given the current closure of primary school premises in Scotland. I hope therefore that this letter will begin to answer some of these questions, with further communication and clarification to follow as we move through the coming weeks.

June transition experiences and information:

Following further clarity from both the Scottish Executive and East Renfrewshire Authority last week, we are delighted to be able to plan a transition experience at Giffnock during June for all of our current Primary 7 children. **These sessions will happen during the week commencing 15th June.** We are planning for approximately one quarter of each class (no more than 8 children) to be invited into Giffnock School for a morning. This will be a time to re-engage with school life, to talk to their current class teacher, to ask questions or discuss issues that are important to them at this time, and to also enjoy some small form of 'closure' for their time at Giffnock.

Looking ahead, and when national health & safety guidance allows for it, we intend to invite all of our current P7 children to come back into Giffnock and to enjoy the sort of Ceilidh and full farewell that would have ordinarily happened during June. Whilst this may prove to be many months ahead of now, we will nonetheless plan fully for this when we can.

We have also been discussing **a second transition experience for all of our P7 children during the week commencing 22nd June.** We hope that this will involve staff from Woodfarm High School too. As of the end of last week, Woodfarm High School were still clarifying re-engagement arrangements and so we aim to finalise what we will be able to offer our children this week.

For both these sessions, the exact timings and details will be shared with you over the next week and as soon as they are clear for us.

If you have any other questions or issues that you would like to discuss further at this time, please do not hesitate to contact the school via our main email address: schoolmail@giffnock.e-renfrew.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

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