

# Parental Information and Update 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020



Dear Parent/ Carer

Following the Deputy First Minister's announcement to the Scottish Parliament yesterday afternoon, I felt that it was important to give you an immediate update this morning. We had of course just shared with you the Sway presentation detailing our planning for the August return. You will probably have understood from this that we had no awareness of the announcement to be made yesterday afternoon and indeed schools across East Renfrewshire were all sharing similar information with parents yesterday. Collectively then, I would fully understand if this all seemed a little confusing to you, hence this letter.

Nonetheless, we welcome the **Scottish Government's announcement to aim for all pupils to return to school after the summer break**. Across East Renfrewshire, we will very much look forward to **welcoming back all our children on Wednesday 12th August** and will now prepare and plan for this.

All the work carried out to prepare for **Blended Learning and social distancing will continue to be valuable as contingency plans** and if we are required to move to this model at a later date.

Clearly, the Deputy First Minister's announcement has very significant implications to the planning we had shared yesterday, for example in terms of the start and end of day arrangements and timings which you will need to know about. Following further consultation with the authority over the next 48 hours, I will therefore share additional information with you before end of day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June via email, in order to clarify arrangements for you as best as possible at that time.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Lawson'.

Rob Lawson

Head Teacher