

TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS

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Dear Parent/Carer

The coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Saturday 6th May 2023.

The First Minister has confirmed, along with the other nations of the United Kingdom, the introduction of a Bank Holiday to mark the celebration of the Coronation. In relation to schools in Scotland, Ministers have confirmed their view that it is important that families in Scotland are able to participate in the Coronation celebrations this year and that they are supportive of the day being taken as a school holiday.

The date of the Bank Holiday is Monday 8th May 2023.

Therefore, I write to advise that all Fife Council schools and early learning and childcare settings will be closed to staff and pupils on Monday 8th May 2023, reopening on Tuesday 9th May 2023.

For families with young people in the senior phase, SQA Exams were due to take place on this day, however, considering the announced public holiday no exams will now take place on Monday 8th May. The SQA has published the new timetable at www.sqa.org.uk/timetable. This affects the German and Design and Manufacture exams at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher. German exams have been moved to Friday 5th May 2023. Design and Manufacture exams have been moved to Tuesday 30th May 2023.

I am aware that families will need to plan, to accommodate this additional school holiday, therefore I wanted to confirm the arrangements for you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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