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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family are well. Thank you again for all of your support and feedback through our school survey a few weeks ago, in our phone calls home and also by getting in touch via email. I know one thing that parents, families and pupils have been keen to know about is when the school timetable changes, especially those pupils who have made their course choices for senior phase courses. From your feedback this is also something that will help to motivate many of our young people engage more with learning activities. If this was a typical school year we would have moved on to our new timetable this week, allowing our new S2 -S5 to settle into new classes before our new S6 would return in June and our new S1 join us in August. In previous years our new S1 would actually have been with us all of this week for their P7 Transition Week. Of course, at present things are very different to what we would usually experience and learning at home is different to coming to school and following a new timetable.

On Monday 8th June all of our school year groups will officially 'move up', in many cases beginning work for their next academic year. The staff team are currently working hard to prepare for this, and ahead of the date, it is important that everyone knows what to expect. Pupils in S1 moving to S2 will not experience such a significant change, in comparison to those in year groups above. S1 pupils moving to S2 will broadly remain in the same groups; however, there may be subjects where the teacher will change. Pupils in S2 moving into S3 and upwards will experience wider changes. For pupils moving to new sets of options (as chosen earlier in the year) they will be commonly move to new classes. Learning for these new classes will continue to be delivered through Microsoft Teams – accessible through Glow. Each of the Depute Head Teachers has a message for their year groups on the following pages. Each of their messages expands on the above, as well alongside conveying their best wishes to you.

Please do not hesitate to contact one of us in the school leadership should you require further support regarding anything explained in each of the messages or if there is anything else we can do to support you and your family.

Mrs McAlaney,

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S1 moving into S2 – Message from Mrs Campbell

Hello all, I hope you and your family are safe and well. On the 8th June all of you will leave S1 and move onto an S2 timetable. I will continue to be your Depute Head Teacher and will continue to stay in contact with you through email. I will also continue with our Teams Page and hopefully you will continue to post all the activities you are doing at home with your family.

Ahead of the 8th June your teachers are working behind the scenes to get things ready for the day when you will become Second Year! In some subjects you will continue in the same groups, with the same teachers – work will continue to be delivered in the same way. In some subjects, the teacher working with you might change – don't worry if you receive any notifications showing that a teacher has added you to their new class team. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Keep maintaining your strength and resilience, we will all be back together in Hillhead High again in the future.

Take Care



Mrs Campbell gw10campbellharriet@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

S2 moving into S3 – Message from Miss Black

Welcome to all who will soon move into S3! I hope that in this difficult time you, your families, and your friends are all well. I am so sorry that I am not able to see you all in person right now and tell you how much I am looking forward to being your new Depute Head for S3. Mrs Campbell has been keeping me up to date about your journeys in S2 and I know you are all looking forward to getting started with your new subject choices.

Your teachers are currently setting up new groups on 'Teams' for your chosen S3 subjects. You may receive notifications showing that you have been added to class Teams. This is ahead of you beginning to work in these new classes, when you become Third Year on Monday 8th June.



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This is a tough time, but keep going, we will all come through this together. I will be keeping in touch with you all, and if you need anything just reach out – I'm here.



Miss Black gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

S3 moving into S4

Dear outgoing S3 pupils (as well as parents/carers). I am delighted to let you know that you will be officially able to call yourselves fourth year as of Monday 8th June. I hope you and your families have remained safe and well throughout the period of school closure. Regardless of the circumstances we face in the months ahead, the move to Senior Phase is a big step on your educational journey. I will remain as your year head when you move into S4 and continue to wish to support you however I can.

Over the next week you will receive notifications on 'Teams' showing that you have been added to new class groups. These will be in-line with your subjects chosen earlier in the year. This is ahead of beginning new work, which will often be with new teachers, beginning on the 8th June. As well as beginning new work for the subjects you will study for the next two years, we will also need to work together to select Wider Achievement options – the final piece of your timetable. Myself and Mr Richardson will present to you on the new S4 'Teams' group. Keep following the thread on the S4 Teams group – it has been great to hear about how you have been getting on.



Take care of yourself and those around you,
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S4 moving into S5 - Message from Mr Neil

I hope you and all your families are keeping safe and well. I have heard lots of great things from Miss Higgins about you all and I am really looking forward to working closely and getting to know you and your families. As you all know S5 is an extremely important year and I have been very impressed by how engaged you have all been in your learning since lockdown started. Let's keep this going as we move to your new academic year.

The timetable has been carefully constructed to ensure you experience as much continuity as possible. This means that in many cases you will remain with the same teachers as before. Where your teacher has to change, you might notice small things being different on Microsoft Teams.

I will be here to support you throughout the year and will be in twice weekly contact with you via GLOW when you move into S5 on June 8th. I know together we will make it a successful year.

S5 moving into S6 -Message from Mr Neil

I hope you and all your families are keeping safe and well.

The timetable change on the 8th June will see you officially move into S6. I am really looking forward to working with you all and supporting you through your final year at Hillhead High School. Your S6 is all about community, leadership and legacy. You all have a part to play in making it a successful year. This journey begins with your S6 option choices and the completion of your S6 Induction during the month of June. Keep checking GLOW and Teams regularly for information, tasks and updates. Selection of your options for S6 will be entirely undertaken through you accessing Teams. I know you will be keen to find out more when the time comes. Let's make your S6 the best ever!!!!



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