



Hillhead High School
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Head Teacher
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12/08/21

Dear Pupils,

I hope you have had a lovely holiday. We are really looking forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday. We have shared updates with your parents & carers and you can also find these on the school website here:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/hillheadhigh/2021/08/11/return-to-school-letter-10-08-21/>

Below you will find answers to some questions you may have about returning to school. Don't worry if you have a question that is not covered – you will be able to ask your teachers on Monday. If you have a school iPad, please remember to charge it on Sunday and bring it and the charger to school in your bag each day. Remember to pack a face covering and a spare (unless you are exempt).

Q: Will school be like normal again this year?

A: The good news is that some of the restrictions that were in place the last time you were in school have now been lifted -e.g. in drama, PE and music. Some things that were in place last term will remain in place for the start of this term - e.g. the staggered start times, different entrances, wearing a face mask (unless exempt), increased ventilation and cleaning and these restrictions will be reviewed by the Scottish Government within six weeks of the new term. This means that the structure of the school day will continue to look like this for the moment:

Timetable	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Arrive at school					
S1-S3	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am
S4-S6	8.55am	8.55am	8.55am	8.55am	8.55am
Period 1					
S1-S3	8.50am-9.55am	8.50am-9.55am	8.50am-9.55am	8.50am-9.55am	8.50am-9.55am
S4-S6	9.00am-10.00am	9.00am-10.00am	9.00am-10.00am	9.00am-10.00am	9.00am-10.00am
Period 2					
S1-S3	10.00am-10.55am	10.00am-10.55am	10.00am-10.55am	10.00am-10.55am	10.00am-10.55am
S4-S6	10.05am-11.00am	10.05am-11.00am	10.05am-11.00am	10.05am-11.00am	10.05am-11.00am
Interval					
	10.55am-11.15am 11.00am-11.20am	10.55am-11.15am 11.00am-11.20am	10.55am-11.15am 11.00am-11.20am	10.55am-11.15am 11.00am-11.20am	10.55am-11.15am 11.00am-11.20am
Period 3					
	11.15am-12.05pm 11.20am-12.10pm	11.15am-12.05pm 11.20am-12.10pm	11.15am-12.05pm 11.20am-12.10pm	11.15am-12.05pm 11.20am-12.10pm	11.15am-12.05pm 11.20am-12.10pm
Period 4					
	12.10pm-1.05pm 12.15pm-1.10pm	12.10pm-1.05pm 12.15pm-1.10pm	12.10pm-1.05pm 12.15pm-1.10pm	12.10pm-1.05pm 12.15pm-1.10pm	12.10pm-1.05pm 12.15pm-1.10pm
Lunchtime					
	1.05pm-1.50pm 1.10pm-1.55pm	1.05pm-1.50pm 1.10pm-1.55pm	1.05pm-1.50pm 1.10pm-1.55pm	1.05pm-1.50pm 1.10pm-1.55pm	1.05pm-1.50pm 1.10pm-1.55pm
Period 5					
	1.50pm-2.55pm 1.55pm-3.00pm	1.50pm-2.55pm 1.55pm-3.00pm	1.50pm-2.50pm 1.55pm-2.55pm	1.50pm-2.50pm 1.55pm-2.55pm	1.50pm-2.30pm 1.50pm-2.35pm
Period 6					
	3.00pm-3.50pm 3.05pm-3.55pm	3.00pm-3.50pm 3.05pm-3.55pm			





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So for now, S1-S3 pupils will enter via Oakfield Avenue and S4-S6 pupils will enter via Southpark Avenue. We will be going over the guidance with you on Monday at school so you know what to expect.

Q: Do I need to wear my PE kit to school on days I have PE?

A: No, now the restrictions have been lifted you should wear your school uniform to school each day as you will be able to use changing rooms again. Therefore, you should bring your PE kit with you to change into on days you have PE.

Q: How will I know whether I need to bring my PE Kit on Monday if I have not seen my timetable?

A: If you are in registration classes 1A, 1C, 1D, 2C, or Mr Gillespie's S4 Higher PE class or in S6 you will have PE on Monday. Don't worry if you don't know yet your S1 registration class, bring along your PE kit just in case.

Q: I don't have a school tie yet, where can I buy one?

A: We had hoped to have a stock of ties in for June, Unfortunately, delays with the supplier means these will not arrive for another week or so. Don't worry if you don't have your tie yet – a school shirt and black trousers or a black skirt are fine. As soon as ties arrive we will let you and your parents/carers know.

Q: I don't have my timetable, where do I go on Monday?

A: Don't worry! Everyone will be issued with their timetable during period 1 on Monday. All pupils will go to their registration class for all of period 1. During this lesson important information will be shared, including a copy of your timetable. You will also be issued with some forms to take home for parents/carers to complete and sign and you should bring these with you to school on Tuesday.

Q: I am not sure who my registration teacher is, what do I do?

A: At the end of this document you will find a list of all registration teachers and rooms to go to on Monday period 1. It will be the same room and teacher for Friday period 5 lessons. Our new S1 will be escorted to and from classes by our pupil mentors for the first week.

Q: Will MTA return this year?

A: We hope so! It is likely that for the first month of term we will have Friday 5 sessions like last year but if we can then return to all activities we will. We will keep you posted.



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Q: Will we be able to have year group assemblies in person this year or will they still be on Teams?

A: At the moment the advice is not to have assemblies in person so if your Depute Head Teacher needs to arrange an assembly at any point this will happen on Teams. Important information will continue to be shared Friday period 5 as well as on Teams and via the school tannoy.

Q: How do I get Lateral Flow Device Tests?

A: It is important that staff and pupils in school continue to take part in lateral flow testing twice a week for the time being. Test kits were issued by the school before the holiday so you can test yourself before returning to school if you have a kit. If you were taking part in testing before the summer then you will be issued with a new box on Monday morning. Consent forms will be issued on Monday morning to anyone who needs one and once you return this we will issue you with tests. If you are 16 and over you can sign the consent form yourself.

Q: What is happening with the Fuel Zone? Can I use cash?

A: As those of you who were here last year will know for most of last year the Fuel Zone was a cashless system. If you got free school meals the money was automatically transferred to your account and if you did not but wanted to eat in school your parent/carer could add money via an online transfer system. In June things temporarily changed so that you could use cash to pay at the till and this will be the same for August. All schools will be moving to a new online system later on this term and again we will share information with you and your parents in due course. If you get free school meals then it will be the same as normal for now.

Q: I am a bit nervous about returning to school who should I speak to?

A: Starting back at school after a holiday can be a bit stressful as it is a change to your routine. Last year was tough on everyone and it while some of you may be really looking forward to returning we know others will have some anxiety. We know for our new S1 pupils that you did not get to visit our school as much as you would have done in previous years and so may be a bit unsure of what to expect. Please know though that we are all here to help and support each other at Hillhead High School. Pupil mentors will support our new S1 and all staff will be happy to deal with any concerns. In the table at the end of this letter you will also find a list with the Pastoral Care Teacher and Depute Head Teacher for each class.



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I hope this letter has helped to reassure you about your return to school. Staff are in school this week getting everything ready for you and we are really looking forward to being back together as a whole school community from Monday morning. We could not be more proud of all of you and we are excited about the school year ahead!

Yours sincerely,

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Registration Classes 2021-22



Class	Teacher	Room No.	Pastoral Care	Depute Head
1A	A Douglas	M110	K Campbell	H Campbell
1B	A Barcella	M211	K Campbell	H Campbell
1C	E Morrison	D01	B Griffin	H Campbell
1D	T Visovan	T13	J Hewitt	H Campbell
1E	J McCormick	T12	L Robinson	H Campbell
1F	M O'Rorke	T06	J Greechan	H Campbell
2A	J Traynor	T34	K Campbell	H Campbell
2B	N Jackson	M207	B Griffin	H Campbell
2C	O Boyle	M101	B Griffin	H Campbell
2D	K Ross	M01	J Greechan	H Campbell
2E	S Cunningham	M109	L Robinson	H Campbell
2F	D Tait	T01	L Robinson	H Campbell
3A	A Williams	D02	J Hewitt	S Brown
3B	N Jack	M210	B Griffin	S Brown
3C	D McCabe	M106	J Greechan	S Brown
3D	B McMahon	T04	J Hewitt	S Brown
3E	J Trobe	M211	K Campbell	S Brown
3F	H Logan	M113	L Robinson	S Brown
4A	K Philp	T31	L Robinson	S Neil
4B	K Torrance	T11	J Hewitt	S Neil
4C	S Ruddy	M107	J Greechan	S Neil
4D	M Scanlan	M209	J Greechan	S Neil
4E	S Reilly	M102	K Campbell	S Neil
4F	M Copland	M204	B Griffin	S Neil
5A	K McLennan	T17	L Robinson	S Neil
5B	M McGlone	M111	J Hewitt	S Neil
5C	M Laing	T07	J Greechan	S Neil
5D	J Wang	M217	J Greechan	S Neil
5E	J Macdonald	T32	K Campbell	S Neil
5F	E Todd	M03	B Griffin	S Neil
6A	C Santi	M213	L Robinson	L Black
6B	J Gavin	T19	J Hewitt	L Black
6C	R Nasim	M214	J Greechan	L Black
6D	E Rothery	M112	K Campbell	L Black
6E	C Lawrie	M206	K Campbell	L Black
6F	M Zahid-Jamil	T23	B Griffin	L Black
6G	S Goldie	M212	B Griffin	L Black



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