



17<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

SENIOR PHASE UPDATE 4 – February 2021

From Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, we are able to work with small groups of learners in school, who undertake practical subjects. Our Principal Teachers of practical subjects have identified learning and teaching that can only take place in school and they have been planning how best to approach this with your child, if applicable. Further information from the Scottish government can be found by clicking on this link <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-schools-reopening/>

No more than 8% of our total school roll can be in the building at any given time so we have opted for blocks of learning and teaching that last for 3 periods in the morning or 3 periods in the afternoon. Along with this letter, I have included our rationale and further explanation of the model that we are adopting. If your child is studying a practical subject, it is very important that you read through this document.

In school timetable:

Session	Monday				Tuesday				Wednesday				Thursday				Friday							
	Subject	Level	No	%	Subject	Level	No	%	Subject	Level	No	%	Subject	Level	No	%	Subject	Level	No	%				
Session 1 9.00-11.30	Admin	N5	17	2	1.2 Practical Woodworking Gp1	N5	12	2	1 Computing	N5	23	3	1.6 Drama N5 section 3	N5	8	1	0.6 Graphic Comm	N5	26	3	1.8			
	Music N5 Gp 1	N5	20	2	1.4 Photography 0.7 Art N5 section 1 & 2	H	14	2	1 Drama N5 section 1	N5	10	1	0.7 Practical Metalwork Grp 1	N5	10	1	0.7 Drama N5 Section 4	N5	8	1	0.6			
	Graphics Admin	Ad H	10	2		N5	19	2					Music N5 Gp2	N5	16	2	1.1							
	Total		47	7	3.6	Total		49	6	3	Total		33	4	2.3	Total		34	4	2.4	Total		34	4
Session 2 12.30-3.00	Admin	H	6	1	0.4 Practical Woodworking Gp2	N5	11	2	1 Computing	H	7	1	0.5 Music Technology	H	2	1	0.1 Graphic Comm	H	17	2	1.2			
	Admin	N5	16	2	1.1 Art N5 section 3,4	N5	25	3	2 Design & Man	N5	15	2	1 Music Technology Design & Man	N5	6 with H	2	0.4 Art N5 Section 6& 7	N5	19	2	1.3			
	Music	H	12	2	0.8								1 Practical Metalwork Grp 2	N5	9	1	0.6							
	Music	Ad H	4	with H	0.3								1 Drama	H	6	1	0.4							
													1 Drama	Ad H	5	with H	0.3							
Total		49	5	2.6	Total		37	5	3	Total		30	4	1.5	Total		69	8	4.6	Total		36	4	2.5

If your child is required to come into school, they will be contacted over the course of today and tomorrow. They will be expected to follow all health and safety protocols, including maintaining 2m distance from staff and other pupils and wearing a face covering at all times (unless exempt). Your child is also able to participate in Lateral Flow Testing. This is entirely voluntary but if you give permission for this, you must ensure that testing is completed and the results then logged in the NHS database. A letter explaining this is also attached. If you wish your child to participate, a consent form needs to be completed. This consent form is also attached to this letter.

Online learning continues to be the main way that your child will learn. Please encourage them to continue to log on and complete all the tasks / assignments that are being set. It is vital that they continue to engage with their teachers. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact their Pastoral Care Teacher or their Yead Head.

This week, the SQA announced that grades do not now need to be sent to them until the 25th June 2021, which gives us more time to work with your child and put assessments in place when we return to the school. Information regarding this latest amendment can be found by clicking on this link <https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/96763.html>



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Thank you for your continued support and understanding. We appreciate that this continues to be a challenging time for your child and for you. If you have any questions or need further explanation of anything, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher or Depute Head.

Very best wishes,

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