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Dear Parent / Carer

### **\*\* Congratulations \*\***



Congratulations to Kathryn King who has been appointed to the permanent post of Depute Head Teacher, responsible for transitions and Iona House. We are delighted for Kathryn and look forward to her starting with us full-time. Thank you to our young people and parent council who were involved in the recruitment process.

### **\*\* Standards and Quality Report \*\***

A reminder that our annual Standards and Quality report is on our website and can be accessed via [this link](#).



### **\*\* Supported Study \*\***

Our Supported Study programme is now up and running until December. Staff and departments are offering a huge number of sessions and the full timetable has been issued via glow emails and is available on the school website at the link below. We would encourage all S4 – S6 to take up the offering of supported study as we work towards the December assessments. If you would like further information, please feel free to contact Mr Higgins.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/glowblogs/public/rosshall/uploads/sites/7772/2021/10/05080100/Supported-Study-21.pdf>

### **\*\* S2 Parents Evening \*\***

We are currently reviewing a range of options for parents' evenings this session. First up is S2 parents evening, taking place on week beginning 8 November. This will be facilitated by our Pastoral Care Team who will be offering appointments via phone call or Microsoft Teams. The Pastoral Care teacher will provide information on the young person across the school, facilitate preferences discussions and help with any specific subject questions. Further details will be provided next week to all S2 parents and carers on how you can book your appointment.

## **\*\* S1 and S4 school photographs \*\***

S1 and S4 school photographs will take place this Wednesday, 27 October. Details will be made available to parents and carers on how you can purchase the photograph of your child from Tempest Photography if you wish to do so. If you have any questions or concerns before Wednesday, please contact Mr Higgins at the school.

## **\*\*Library Use for Reading and Study\*\***

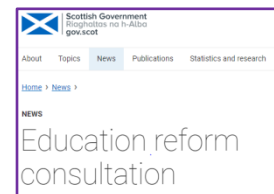


A reminder that the Library is open during BGE lunchtimes to borrow and read books on Mon - Wed, and as a reading / homework space on Thurs - Fri. It is also be open Mon-Wed until 4pm for all year groups. Senior pupils can use it on a drop-in basis Mon-Fri to study, read or use the computers.

## **\*\*Education Reform Consultation\*\***

A consultation has been launched on plans to replace the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) and reform Education Scotland (ES), All those with an interest in education, including parents, carers, young people, teachers and lecturers, are invited to give their views. The consultation seeks opinions and ideas on:

- the replacement of the SQA
- the possible creation of a single specialist agency for curriculum and assessment
- plans to substantially reform ES, including removing inspections from its functions



The written consultation is open until 26 November with recommendation on the reform plans expected in January 2022. Please access the consultation [here](#).

## **\*\*Scottish Government Guidance: Face Coverings\*\***



Please see [this link to the latest Scottish Government guidance](#) and note that **the wearing of face coverings will now continue until further notice**. We are looking for your support to ensure every young person arrives at school with a face mask and a spare. To date, we have given out over 2000 masks since the start of term. While we appreciate that we can all forget on occasion, we find ourselves repeatedly giving masks to many young people every day. Thank you very much for your cooperation. On a positive note, once

pupils are in the school building, they have been exceptionally good at following the guidelines to keep each other safe. We will continue to inform you if guidance changes.

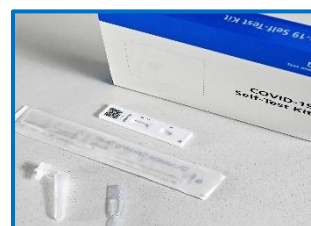
## **\*\*Transport and Travel During the COP26 Conference\*\***



Please see [link to an important letter](#) from our Director of education regarding transport and travel during the COP26 conference. During the time of the conference, City of Glasgow College courses will be online.

## **\*\*Lateral Flow Testing\*\***

All young people are encouraged to do a **Lateral Flow Test twice a week**. Your child may collect tests from the school office at any time. Children under 16 are required to have their [consent form](#) signed by a parent or carer. Please encourage your child to do this regularly and record their results online.



## **\*\* Parent Forum \*\***

If you would like to become involved in the parent council, please contact Rosshall Academy parent council [here](#). All parent council minutes can be accessed on our website by clicking [here](#). Please also follow our parent council on Twitter [@RosshallPC](#) Our next parent council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10 November 2021 at 7pm** on Zoom. Please [contact the parent council](#) for a link to this meeting.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to phone the school on 0141 582 0200, email your child's Pastoral Care teacher, or contact me on: [Headteacher@rosshallacademy.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@rosshallacademy.glasgow.sch.uk)

I wish you and your family a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



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