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### **Education and Families**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Cardinal Newman High School – Update to Parents and Carers Wednesday 24 June 2020**

This update was not the one I had originally planned to send you today.

As the local authority recognised in their statement following the announcement by the Deputy First Minister yesterday, you will have remaining questions and the local authority will make further information available to all of us in the days ahead.

You will know that the plan is now to prepare for all pupils to return full-time to school on 12 August. We are now working on that basis and I will write to you again as soon as I have information to share with you. The following link will provide you with the latest local authority updates throughout the summer. We will also continue to contact you via email, social media and on the school website.

<http://northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schoolplans>

I can say to you that whatever the position is on August 12 we will have a back to school plan, which meets the needs of all of our young people and their families in place.

### **National Qualifications 2020**

SQA results will be delivered on 4 August. Young people can still sign up for the results service using the following link: <http://www.mysqa.org.uk>. Otherwise, their certificate will arrive by post.

On 3 August you will receive from us an email containing '2020 SQA Results Enquiry Sheet'. This document will also be posted on the school website on the same day. If you or your child wish to discuss any aspect of their results, you should complete and return the enquiry sheet. A member of staff will be in touch with you from 5 August onwards.

Throughout the summer, you can still contact us about any issue at [cnwebteam@cardinalnewman.n-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:cnwebteam@cardinalnewman.n-lanark.sch.uk) or [enquiries@cardinalnewman.n-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@cardinalnewman.n-lanark.sch.uk). These links can also be found in the tab "Our School" on the school website.



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## Option Choices

If your child still has to make option choices or wishes to change their already agreed options we can do this when young people return in August.

## School Uniform August 2020

### As you know our school uniform is:

- Blazer
- White Shirt
- School Tie (S5/6 have their own tie design)
- Plain black tailored trousers or skirt

(No jeans, tracksuit, jogging pants, leggings or other leg-hugging trousers)

- Plain, black V-necked jumper (optional)
- No other sweatshirts, cardigans, jumpers etc.
- No football colours at any time – including for PE lessons
- No outdoor clothing other than the blazer is allowed within the school building
- Black shoes or plain black trainers

We will be expecting [where possible for this year] that all pupils maintain the good standard of school uniform we have built up over the years with your help and support. I know parents support the uniform policy and we will do everything we can to help you maintain our agreed dress code for your child.

Many households have had their incomes adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and we know that there is not a lot of money to spare as you have to juggle household budgets.

So, while we say that our uniform policy remains in force – we are realistic, and we know that you will do what you can to meet those standards.

We have ordered ties and will have plenty in stock when the pupils return in August. We can distribute these when pupils return if they do not have them before they come back.

## School Uniform Supplier

<http://www.logoxpres-schoolwear.co.uk/>

Our main supplier is Logoxpres. I have attached a link to their website, which contains information on prices and individual items of uniform. I have spoken to the suppliers in the last week and if you wish to order online, they will deliver all the items to the school for collection from Monday 3 August 2020. We will contact you over the summer period to provide you with details on how you can safely collect any items of uniform you have purchased online. The suppliers will be here in school on that day to hand over the items of uniform and to provide any further assistance you need. They can also deliver items ordered directly to your home for an additional fee (£5.50) if that is more convenient for you. You can also contact [Stephen Reynolds-Cowie <stephen@logoxpres.co.uk>](mailto:stephen@logoxpres.co.uk) who will be happy to discuss sizes, fittings and any arrangements including home delivery.

**Please do not order the red PE Polo Top as every child in S1-S3 will be provided with that item free of charge. We have asked the supplier to remove the red polo shirt option from the order form.**

You can also; perhaps more conveniently and economically, source products from other suppliers closer to home if that is a better option for you.

## Head teacher return to work

As you may know, Mr Ross has been unwell since the Easter holidays. I have been in touch with him and kept him up to date with our plans and progress. He is well on the mend and is looking forward to returning in August 2020.

## Thank You

Many of you have asked me to thank teachers and other staff for all of the work they have carried out this year. I have thanked them all on your behalf and particularly for going 'above and beyond' on many occasions since lockdown began in March.

I also want to thank you for all of your support and the best wishes you have sent us. I also want to thank you for stepping up as teachers and teaching assistants to your children, which was vital to the success of our remote learning.

I would like to thank the Parent Council for their support throughout and for ensuring that the views and opinions of parents are known and taken into account.

I want to thank every young person at Cardinal Newman High School for their magnificent response to this pandemic and for following government guidelines and advice. I know it has been difficult for them but they have been a credit to you and to us. We have missed them all very much and look forward to seeing them as soon as we reopen.

Have a great summer.

With every best wish from everyone at Cardinal Newman High School

Yours sincerely



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