Dear Boys & Girls,

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I hope you had a great holiday. We are all looking forward to welcoming you back to school, but we know that you might be a little bit nervous. Please try not to worry, we are all here to look after you and keep you safe.

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Your classroom and playground will look a little different, but we have made these changes based on what the Scottish Government have asked us to do to help keep you safe. I know that you may be a little worried about arriving in school on your first morning, so have I have included some information, and pictures, so you know what to expect.

Please remember, if you are in P4 - P7, you should arrive in the playground for 8.50am and if you are in P1-P3, you should arrive in the playground for 9.00am. If you are in P1-P3 and you are coming with an older brother or sister, you can both come at the same time. Our new P1 pupils have a different start for the first three days, but after this, they will follow the same routine.

When you walk through the entrance gates to the playground, you will see some coloured arrows, just like the ones in the picture below.



Different classes should follow different coloured arrows to take them to the Zone they should wait in before school starts. There will be circles painted on the ground, but you don't need to stand in these. You don't need to stand right beside the Zone banner either. Just stand in the area that has your class colour.

The chart on the last page tells you which coloured arrow you should follow and the zone you should go to in the morning. You will also line up in these Zones after break and lunch. Your teacher will collect you from this area and bring you into the school. On your first day, your teacher will talk to you about the things that have changed and how we will keep you safe.

Unfortunately, your parent/carer is not allowed in the playground in the morning or at the end of the day. They will leave you at the school gates and they will have to move away quickly to ensure that the entrance does not get blocked, and that all adults can keep 2 metres apart. If your parent/carer needs to speak to someone, they should phone the office. If your parent/carer is going to the office, only be one person at a time is allowed in the reception area. There is a sticker on the floor to tell your parent/carer where to stand, just like in the picture below.



If your parent/carer has an appointment to come into the school, they will need to wear a mask at all times.

As you move around the school, you will see some arrows on the floor. These are to remind you to walk on the left hand side of the corridor and to remind adults to socially distance.





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At the end of the school day, classes will leave the building at different times. If have other brothers or sisters, and you need to wait for them so that you can walk out together, you should go to the 'Sibling Waiting Area'. This is at the side of the P1-P3 Infant Wing. It is where all the green circles are. There is a picture below to help you understand where this is. There will also be a sign on one of the windows.

Our new P1 pupils will leave through the front doors for the first few weeks at least.





If you normally get the bus home, you will go to the bus rooms as normal at the end of the day. From here, we will walk you to the bus.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone.

Mr McKeever

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