



# Taylor High School

*Que tout soit pour Dieu*

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## School Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our young people continue to respond very well to the current timetable as we support their return to in-school learning. It remains incredibly important that all our young people maintain their engagement with the online learning that is made available to them. A copy of our Week 2 live learning timetable has been sent out with this newsletter; your ongoing support to help our young people to maintain a good routine for learning and wellbeing is greatly appreciated.

### **SQA UPDATE FOR PARENTS OF PUPILS IN S4-6**

All parents/carers of pupils in S4-6 will receive a copy of a letter from Derek Brown (Executive Director for Education and Families). This includes an important update regarding the process of making and communicating decisions about our young people's SQA grades.

To support parents/carers and young people to know which areas of study need particular attention for the last full month of learning and teaching, an updated will be provided next week. This should help young people to focus their Easter Study and personal study plans.

### **F.A.C.T.S.—KEEPING US ALL SAFE**

As more pupils return to school and join the LFD Asymptomatic Testing programme, it is essential that we remain aware of the core safety requirements: **FACE COVERINGS; AVOID CROWDS; CLEAN HANDS; 2 METRES; SELF-ISOLATE IF EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS**. I would kindly ask all families to review these basic safety measures once again. If your young person has not yet returned a consent form to join the testing programme, they should do this next week to begin testing on the next Thursday or Monday. After the Easter break, S1-3 pupils will be able to participate in the testing programme.

### **SAYING FAREWELL TO OUR CHAPLAIN, FR FRANK MCALEESE**

Fr Frank has been with us over the past year to support the spiritual life of the school. During this challenging time, Fr Frank has supported our young people and staff through his involvement in classes, and the celebration of the Sacraments. We thank Fr Frank for his short time with us, and we wish him well as he takes up his new post as Parish Priest in Rothesay.

### **EASTER SCHOOL REVISION**

We have reviewed the numbers of pupils interested in the Easter Revision School. To maximise the numbers of pupils able to access this support while following all our safety guidelines, it has been decided to offer this form of supported study online. All S4-6 pupils will receive a copy of the programme next week and will be invited to sign up for the subjects that will help them to achieve their best in their assessments in May.

**To the right is a reminder of when pupils should attend next week:**

Yours faithfully,  
Paul McWatt

**S5/6: ALL DAY MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING**

**S4: ALL DAY WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING**

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR
<b>S3</b>	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4
<b>S2</b>	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4
<b>S1</b>	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4 & 1.5



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## NLC Town and Community Hubs



If you've not had the chance to view NLC's plans for Town and Community Hubs approach to new school buildings, please have a look at the videos and provide your feedback below:

- [Town and Community Hub Video](#)
- [Location Video Link \(Motherwell\)](#)
- [Feedback Survey \(Motherwell\)](#)

## KEY DATES

- **Easter holidays:** school closes at the end of the day on the 1st April and re-opens on Monday 19th April.
- **30 March – S5/6 Online Parent Information Evening**  
**7pm – [click here to join](#)**

## LISTENING TO PARENTS/ CARERS

Thank you to all those parents who have joined our online Options Information Sessions. We want to make these events as accessible and meaningful as possible for our parents/carers. All parents/carers are warmly invited to give feedback about these information sessions.

Please click [here](#) to complete the short feedback form.

## WE HAVE TRAVELED ~11000km AND RAISED £1650

*(We've done it! We've travelled to Lisieux, through to the Vatican and onto South Sudan!)*

### Taylor High Lent 2021 Pilgrimage Prayer

Dear Lord, guide us and protect us as we set out on this journey of Faith, Hope and Love. May our Lenten efforts strengthen us in our determination to live your command, "Love your neighbour as yourself." May our unity in walking together show the people of South Sudan that we walk in solidarity with them.

Together, may we all know your strength and protection through the difficulties we may face.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

All pupils, family members and parishioners are welcome to join us on our pilgrimage. Simply go for a walk and log your kilometres by using one of the links below:

PUPILS can log their distance here:  
<http://bit.ly/ths-sudan-pupil>

FAMILY MEMBERS & PARISHIONERS should use this one: <http://bit.ly/ths-sudan-friends>

STAFF should use this one: <http://bit.ly/ths-sudan-staff>.

If you are getting sponsors, please use this link:

[Taylor High SCIAF Just Giving](#)



### Taylor High SCIAF Pilgrimage and Solidarity Walk to South Sudan



We are walking virtually to South Sudan for Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF) because we are in unity with the people of South Sudan.

This year SCIAF has partnered with Just Giving to create a Virtual Wee Box. Use the QR code to donate from your phone now. Alternatively, you can click the link below.



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**LOOK OUT FOR OUR UPDATED FIGURES AND GREATEST CONTRIBUTORS. ALL OUR YOUNG PEOPLE CAN ALSO WATCH OUR TAYLOR TALENT SHOW ON TEAMS TO SUPPORT OUR LENTEN CAMPAIGN AND FUNDRAISING.**