



Taylor High School

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School Newsletter

W/C 9 JUNE 2021 IS WEEK 2 OF THE TIMETABLE

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY-TUESDAY NEXT WEEK
FOR ADDITIONAL SQA INSERVICE DAYS**

Dear Parent/Carer,

COVID Safety (From NLC)

I have attached a letter to this email from Derek Brown. I would ask all families to review the content of the letter which clarifies our current approach to mitigating risks associated with COVID. As a school, we have taken a number of decisions to reduce both the footfall within the school building and in school activities. Please note that this decision has been completely motivated by trying to promote safety for our community. Further details are outlined in the attached letter.



Saying Farewell to S6

With the exception of students who still have outstanding assessment activities to be completed, today marked the last day for our S6 students. Within the context of our current restrictions, we wanted to mark and celebrate the contribution and passing of our senior pupils. It was an emotional day with pupils and staff saying their farewells throughout the day, including the students' own awards ceremony. After the S6 lunch, some staff accompanied the students to Carfin Grotto to celebrate a thanksgiving Mass with Fr Martin. Our young people were excellent ambassadors of our school and their families. Their contribution to the school is appreciated and we wish them well in the next chapter of their lives.



UPDATE: Scottish National Standardised Assessments (S3)

Scottish National Standardised Assessments (SNSA) arrangements are in place for all S3 pupils to complete their assessments next week between Wednesday 9 June and Friday 11 June. The assessments are completed online and pupils do not require to do any study in advance. There is a practice assessment first followed by short assessments in reading, writing and numeracy. There is no time limit and additional support is in place for pupils with an entitlement. Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Rooney at the school should you wish further information



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Staffing Updates

Following recent interviews, I am pleased to announce that Mrs Sharleen Muir will take up her post as PT Music. Ms Nicola Clelland will also take up her post in the new session as PT Maths and Numeracy. We look forward to welcoming our new colleagues to the school.

Primary Transition

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be welcoming class-groups of our new P7 pupils. This won't be the normal approach to welcoming all our new pupils at the one time, but again we must put safety first. [A new page](#) has been added to our website with a number of welcome videos to support the transition of our primary pupils, including a virtual walk-through of the school.

UNIFORM

Uniform orders can be placed with Logoxpress before Monday July 12th to ensure arrival by the new term in August. Further details are available on their website about sizing and about ordering. Our uniform consists of a blazer, black trousers/skirt and white shirt/blouse with school tie. School ties are available from the school office at a cost £4. We are very proud of our uniform at Taylor High School, and we look forward to seeing all our pupils dressed for learning in the new term.

Finance, Benefits and Money Advice

NLC's Financial Inclusion Team is available to offer support to families. The team can assist with welfare benefits and money advice:

- general benefit advice in relation to all UK and Scottish Government administered benefits;
- advice in relation to tax credits administered by HMRC;
- carrying out benefit checks to ensure income is maximised;
- help to complete benefit application forms;
- support to challenge benefit decisions;
- advice and representation for benefit appeals;
- redundancy advice.
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You can get in touch emailing us the Team at fit@northlan.gov.uk or by calling 01698 332551.



Yours faithfully,
Paul McWatt

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

7-8 June—Additional Inservice Days
24 June—School closes for summer