Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. We are very much looking forward to the start of term and seeing our children return to school on Monday. In line with the updated guidance for schools, released yesterday, please see the following changes. School guidance will be reviewed in 6 weeks and I will make you aware of further changes as soon as I am informed.

The revised approach to contact tracing means that groupings (“bubbles”) are no longer required to be maintained in schools. This allows all children to use the previous entrance to school and not the fire doors. This will be well sign posted and I will be there to welcome all children into school so don’t worry if you have forgotten where to go. Primary 2-7 can enter from 8.50am-9am.

Unfortunately, parents/carers are still unable to enter the building under the new guidelines therefore P1 parent/carers should arrive in the playground at 9am where your child’s class teacher will be there to meet you. Please don’t be too early as this can be a busy time and daunting for our little ones. From Tuesday, P1 can enter from 8.50am – 9am. We will send you a few pictures throughout the day so that you can see your children in class.

We will continue to stagger breaks with two groupings. This is due to the increased school roll this year and allowing our children more space to play, not Covid.

I am delighted to say that Breakfast Club will be up and running from day 1. Entry is from 8.15am -8.30am. Please note that due to staffing at this early time children will not be permitted to enter after 8.30am. Primary 1 will receive forms for Breakfast Club home in their school bags on Monday and can bring their form with them and begin from Tuesday morning should you wish.

Masks unless exempt are still required. Please maintain distancing in the playground and do not gather. Only one parent should accompany their child/children on to the school grounds, where possible leaving your child at the school gate and allowing them to walk into school is preferred. For our new P1s two adults can accompany their child on Monday only.

Normal school uniform should be worn, and you will be informed of your child’s PE days next week. Please note that outdoor learning will continue to be an important part of the school day so please ensure appropriate jacket/shoes. If you require financial support with this, please don’t hesitate to contact myself. Applications for free school meals/clothing grant can be made through Renfrewshire Council’s website.

Finally, we look forward to an exciting and hopefully more normal year ahead and we can’t wait to welcome our children back on Monday 16th August.

Yours sincerely,

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Emma Henry

Head Teacher