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**Date:** 5 August 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

**Return to School August 2020**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming back all pupils and families, with a particularly warm welcome to all our new S1 pupils. We are aware that school will look and feel different for us all, but as always, our priority will be to support the health and wellbeing of all pupils, parents/ carers and staff and this will be our focus, particularly at the beginning of term.

You will be aware that Scottish Government have now agreed on a full time return for all pupils by Tuesday 18th August. The full document can be accessed via the following link:  
<https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-preparing-start-new-school-term-august-2020/>

In line with the advice above and letter of 3 August from Tony McDaid, Executive Director Education Resources, South Lanarkshire Council, I write to advise you of our plans for a managed return.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Managed Return Arrangements</b>
Tuesday 11 August	Inset Day, school closed to all pupils
Wednesday 12 August	S1/S5/S6 pupils
Thursday 13 August	S1/S4 pupils
Friday 14 August	S2/S3 pupils
Monday 17 August	All pupils from S1-6

Pupils are expected to wear full school uniform, bring a school bag and pencil case where possible.

A Parent Leaflet which outlines some key information to support the safe return of pupils will be on the web pages shortly.

**General advice**

All young people will be required to clean their hands on entry to the school building and to classes. Hand sanitisers will be at the entrances and in all appropriate areas across school. There remains the need for 2m physical distancing around the school perimeter at all times for parents/carers and any other visiting adults. Where this is difficult, our advice would be to wear a face covering where possible.

We are required to keep the number of visitors to the school to a minimum, in accordance with national guidance. Any contact with the school should be made by telephone or email to the office in the first instance.

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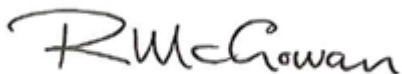


Further parent information is also available on the National Parent Forum:  
<https://www.npfs.org.uk/2020/07/23/back-to-school-guidance-for-parents-and-carers/>. Further advice, in line with national and South Lanarkshire Council guidelines, will be issued via our school app, website and twitter as it becomes available.

If you have specific questions in relation to these arrangements not covered in the advice given, please contact the school office on telephone number 01555 896010 or email [office@lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk).

Take care and stay safe.

Kind regards



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