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Dear Parents/Carers

Return to School P4-7

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our P4-7 children back to school on Monday 15th March, all being well!

We will continue to operate a staggered start and finish time:

P4 8.55am – 2.55pm

P5 9am – 3pm

P6 8.50am – 2.50pm

P7 8.55am – 2.55pm

P1 and P1/2 pupils should continue to enter and leave via the pedestrian and infant gate.

P2 and P3 pupils should continue to enter and leave via the MUGA gates.

P4-P7 pupils should enter and leave via the MUGA gates.

We are following all health and safety procedures to ensure the safety of our school community. I ask all parents and carers to also play your part in keeping everyone safe:

- **Do not arrive earlier than 5 minutes before your child's start/finish times.**
- **Do keep 2 metres distance between adults.**
- **Do wear a mask within school grounds.**
- **Do not gather to chat within the school grounds or in the local area.**

We need you to help us to keep everyone safe, thank you.

As before, visitors into school are restricted. We ask that, if at all possible, you call the school office rather than come in to the building. If you need to come to the school office, please continue to follow the 'one person/one family' limit in the bubble. If the bubble is busy, please wait outside. Masks should be worn when entering the bubble.

We continue to follow enhanced cleaning procedures which include a weekly electrostatic spray and frequent cleaning throughout the day of touch points (handles etc). We will continue to ensure classrooms/dining hall etc are well ventilated throughout the day. Along with all establishments across South Lanarkshire, we are participating in the staff Lateral Flow Testing programme which identifies asymptomatic positive Covid cases.

Please ensure your child comes to school comfortably and warmly dressed, with a jumper/cardigan. At present, PE can only take place outdoors. In the case of very poor weather, PE may be postponed so it makes sense that children wear clothes and footwear



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suitable for outdoor PE throughout the week. Children do not need to bring indoor shoes at present.

With all classes in school, it is necessary to revert to staggered break and lunchtimes to ensure children keep to their class 'bubbles'.

- **Break 1: 10.15-10.30am P2, P3, P6, P7.**
P2 and P3 will use the infant playground/MUGA. P6 and P7 will use the two separated areas of the senior playground.
- **Break 2: 10.30-10.45am: P1, P1/2, P4, P5.**
P1 and P1/2 will use the infant playground/MUGA. P4 and P5 will use the two separated areas of the senior playground.
- **Lunch 1 : 12pm-12.45pm: P2, P3, P6, P7.**
- **Lunch 2: 12.30pm – 1.15pm: P1, P1/2, P4, P5.**

The dining tables are cleaned between the two lunch sittings. Children will be seated in their class bubble in the dining hall, and from P3 upwards will sit in their classroom groups. Packed lunches can be brought, if wished.

On return, all children should bring their jotters, reading books and any other home learning items into school, along with their home link folder and diary. As we need to minimise as far as possible items coming in from home, homework tasks will continue to be set weekly via the Google Classroom. Completed work can be brought in at the end of the week, or screenshots can be uploaded to the Google Classroom.

Finally, we are very grateful to you for the help and support you have given your children during this lockdown period. Thank you. We appreciate how demanding and challenging it has been and we have endeavoured to support you and the children as best we can. We also know that for some children the return to school may cause some anxiety. Please do get in touch with us if you feel your child may need support with this transition.

Yours sincerely,

**Debbie MacKenna
Head Teacher**

