



Education Resources
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Dear Parent/Carer

Phased Re-opening of Stonelaw High School

I hope this letter finds you and your family well.

Following on from the First Minister's Statement on 30 July, all schools will be open to **all** pupils from 17 August. On Tuesday 4 August, we shared a letter from Mr Tony McDaid, Executive Director, explaining the authority's response to this and on how schools will re-open and how we would gradually work towards being fully open for all pupils.

In line with other local secondary schools, we are initially planning a phased return, with a full return for all pupils on 17 August. The pattern for our phased return is outlined below :-

- Tuesday 11 August In-service Day for staff
- Wednesday 12 August S1 and S4 pupils should attend
- Thursday 13 August S2 and S3 pupils should attend
- Friday 14 August S5 and S6 pupils should attend

- **Monday 17 August All year groups should attend**

The phased return on 12 – 14 August will provide time to explain and share our approaches to keeping young people safe on their return to school. It will also allow time for groups of young people to have an input from their Depute Head Teacher and/or their Pupil Support Teacher. Pupils will be issued with their individual timetables during Registration on their first day back.

To support the many questions that you might have I have compiled a series of Frequently Asked Questions that may be of help to you.

When does the school start?

The school will start at the normal time of 8.50am.

Where do I go when I first return to school on my allocated day?

The bell will ring at 8.50am and all pupils should report to their Register class. Classes, teachers and rooms are outlined below.

The only exception to this is our new S1 pupils who should report to the front playground where their Pupil Support Teacher will collect them and take them to their class.

S1 – Ms Rice (Depute Head Teacher)

Class	Teacher	Room	Area
1A1	Miss K Welsh	27	Maths
1A2	Miss V Smith	37	Modern Languages
1B1	Miss H Adam	62	Home Economics
1B2	Miss A Trench	51	ICT
1B3	Miss L McAlpine	35	Modern Languages
1S1	Miss C Boyce	59	Music
1S2	Miss A Russell	38	Modern Languages
1S3	Miss A Skillen	60	Music
1S4	Miss C Smith	34	Maths

S2 – Mr Paterson (Depute Head Teacher)

Class	Teacher	Room	Area
2A1	Ms A Moore	24	English
2A2	Miss T McCune	69	Art
2B1	Ms L Meechan	46	Humanities
2B2	Miss Wilson	49	ICT
2B3	Ms E Bloomer	54	PSE
2S1	Mr S Muirhead	23	English
2S2	Mr B Matthews	28	Maths
2S3	Mr M Thomson	31	Maths

S3 – Mr Gilmour (Depute Head Teacher)

Class	Teacher	Room	Area
3A1	Mr I Rae	36	Modern Languages
3A2	Miss L Stokes	22	English
3A3	Ms L Kyle	30	Maths
3B1	Ms C Scott	44	Humanities
3B2	Mrs L Carter	47	ICT
3S1	Mr S Gilmour	43	Humanities
3S2	Miss B Burns	32	Maths
3S3	Miss L Hunter	26	English

S4 – Mr Palombo (Depute Head Teacher)

Class	Teacher	Room	Area
4A1	Miss S Mitchell	20	English
4A2	Mr J Beaton	21	English
4B1	Ms A Williams (M/T/W) / Mrs J West (Th/F)	46	Humanities
4B2	Mr S McGrevey	53	ICT
4B3	Ms S Melrose	41	Humanities
4S1	Mr T McCabe	40	Modern Languages
4S2	Mr M McAfee	29	Maths

S5 and S6 – Mr McGeoch (Depute Head Teacher)

Class	Teacher	Room	Area
5A1	Ms N Miller	19	English
5A2	Mr G Sheppard	55	PE
5A3	Ms L Muir (M/T) / Ms N Graham (W/Th/F)	39	Humanities
5B1	Ms Q Ali	63	Art
5B2	Mr J Keenan (T/W) / Mrs M Tannock (M/Th/F)	52	ICT
5S1	Mrs P Weaver (M/T) / Mrs A Dickson (W/Th/F)	43	Humanities
5S2	Mr R Dickson (M/T) / Mrs L Stevenson (W/Th/F)	33	Maths
6A1	Miss F Kennedy	11	Science
6A2	Ms L Stark	45	Humanities
6B1	Mr Greene	65	Art
6B2	Mrs E O' Kane	50	ICT
6B3	Mr J Perrett	7	Science
6S1	Mr R Toms	9	Science
6S2	Mr N Smith	72	Music

How will the school be different?

Across the school pupils will notice a number of changes. They will see new signage, sanitisers at all entrances and inside all classrooms. There are reminders to maintain social distance, including markers on floors. All pupils must sanitise their hands on arrival in the school and regularly throughout the day. Pupils should, as far as possible, keep the 2-metre social distance rule when interacting with any adult in the building. On return to school, we will remind pupils of the Scottish Government's advice on FACTS.

How do I pay for food?

Pupils are advised to use the Cashless System/Parent Pay if possible. Also, please note, pupils can bring packed lunches. Pre-ordering of meals is advised.

Should I wear school uniform?

All pupils are expected to return to school in full uniform during the phased return. As we move to a full return on the week beginning 17 August the only exception to uniform will be when pupils have PE. On this day PE kit should be worn to school. School bags are allowed but should always be placed on the floor and not on any surfaces.

What will happen at interval?

We will be staggering our interval with initially only 2-year groups having their interval at the same time. This will avoid congestion in the canteen and social spaces during this time.

What will happen at Lunchtime? Can I still go out of school?

Lunchtime will be as normal. However, there will be designated times in the canteen for year groups. If you are in S2 – S6 and wish to leave the school campus you can, but we would ask pupils to be mindful of the systems that will be in place at local shops regarding queuing and the wearing of masks. S1 pupils are expected to remain in school for lunch. If you do not leave school at lunchtime we would encourage you to remain outside for as long as possible (weather permitting).

What will happen at the end of the school day?

We will stagger the end of the school day but keep disruption to learning to a minimum, dismissing pupils in year groups over a 5 minute period and encouraging young people to exit as promptly as possible.

I am a new S1 pupil and I don't really know the building – how will I know where to go?

Pupils Support Teachers will be with their S1 classes all day on their first day at Stonelaw (12 August) and will walk with them between classes. This will provide a great opportunity to familiarise themselves with the building and get to know their Pupil Support Teacher.

We would appreciate if you are dropping your child at school can you please do this at a safe and suitable location close to the school but beyond the our perimeter to promote safe distancing of pupils and parents and reduce congestion.

I hope this answers some of the questions you might have. We will of course have time next week to explain in person with your child more detail around what this term will look like.

If you have any other questions that you feel you would like answered before school returns next week please make contact with the relevant DHT or myself by email or make contact directly with the school (0141 643 0212).

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There is no doubt that our school might look and feel a bit different next week and beyond, but please be reassured that we remain ambitious for our young people. Personally, I cannot wait until we get young people back in the building.

Thank you for your continued support at this time. Take care and continue to stay safe.

Yours sincerely

Brenda McLachlan
Head Teacher