



**RESPECT
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Dear parent/carer,

As we approach the start of the new term I would like to confirm, clarify and share with you the most up to date plans for our return. As you will be aware information and circumstances have continually changed, but we have now completed our final checks and can share with you the information for the start of the new term.

Health and Safety Protocols

In order to minimise risk at this challenging time we have introduced a series of protocols that aim to adhere to any social distancing and hygiene practices in order to create an environment that reduces risk of COVID-19 transmission. This has been informed by government health guidelines and consequent established Clackmannanshire Council protocols. To maximise safety and minimise risk, we have introduced the following measures (all of which will be exemplified for our young people on their 1st day back):

- A one-way system to minimise pupil contact during any transition points;
- All non-practical classrooms arranged for all seats and desks to face forward.
- Revised risk-assessment of practical activities (e.g. front loading curricular content to minimise risk – outdoor activities);
- Class and school hygiene protocols that promote hand washing, use of hand sanitisers, and anti-bacterial wipes to ensure work areas and resources are cleaned following pupil use;
- Pupils, as fully as possible, bringing their own core equipment;
- Full council and public health protocols will be in place should any pupil or member of staff present with symptoms;
- Chewing gum will also be completely prohibited in school.
- Staff and pupils may wear a face covering, this will be at their discretion.
- Parental support in instilling these habits at home and encouraging that uniform and relevant kit are cleaned in line with government public health advice, as fully as possible.

If any parent / carer requires help, support or advice in these matters please do not hesitate to contact your child's year head and or pupil support teacher.

School Transport

The changes to the current guidance will allow pupils to access the school buses as normal. The bus company have introduced cleaning protocols to meet the standards expected and all pupils will be encouraged to use the hand sanitiser provided as they board the bus.

Pupils may wish to also wear their own face mask whilst travelling.

Beginning and End of School Day

For the health and safety of all staff and pupils we respectfully ask that all parents/carers use the school drop off points and **DO NOT** drive into the carpark to drop off children. In normal times this presents a serious risk to our young people and we are required to provide staff with a safe environment (including distancing) in attending their place of work.

We would ask that, as fully as possible, parents should ensure pupils arrive at the school drop off point to allow time for pupils to filter into school.

Pupils should only use the pathways in and out of the campus and take the most direct route.

Interval and Lunch Breaks

Revised lunch and break arrangements (year groups will have identified indoor and outdoor areas for break and lunch to minimise pupil contacts across year groups;

No food or drink will be available to buy for the initial start of term. Pupils entitled to free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch, all other pupils must bring their own packed lunch.

Due to the current restrictions beyond the school gates pupils will not be able to access local shops for both safety and time considerations of all.

Toilets

As per normal procedures toilets will be available throughout the day to minimise the need over breaks.

School Bags and Resources

Pupils may wish to ensure they only pack the necessary materials for each day as they will, at least initially, have their bags with them throughout the day. All resources such as pens etc should be kept in their bags until they are at their desk in each class.

Parent Pay

Set up and forms required for parents / carers to set up and or use our Parent Pay system will be issued at the start of term.

Lockers

Locker use will be fully re-instated when we are confident it is safe to do so. Pupils who have existing lockers and need to get certain materials from them will be given the opportunity to do so when they return.

Uniform

High standards of uniform are essential to maintaining a visible projection of our values as a community, equity, and a very positive impression of our pupils to the wider community beyond school.

We absolutely understand if there is a compromise with blazers as we start back in August and, if any parent has any financial concerns regarding uniform, please do not hesitate to contact your child's year head or pupil support teacher to discretely and confidentially discuss any support we can offer.

Our uniform policy is as below:

- All black footwear
- Black trousers/skirt
- White shirt
- School tie
- Plain black jumper/cardigan (optional)
- Blazer
- **Polo shirts should only be worn for PE**

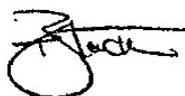
Uniform can be ordered online at: <https://scotcrestschoools.co.uk/Find-Your-School/Clackmannanshire/Lornshill-academy>

S1 Year Head – Mr Arnold
S2 Year Head – Mr Clancy
S3 Year Head – Mr Burrell
S4 Year Head – Mr Murray
S5/6 Year Head – Mrs McMaihin

Devon Head of House – Miss McKay
Forebraes Head of House – Miss Dodds
Grange Head of House – Mr Rennie

Thanks, once again, for all your support with the above. I know that our entire staff team are looking forward to seeing our young people next week.

Yours sincerely,



Tom Black
Head Teacher

