



**Rutherglen High School  
Parent Newsletter  
August 2020**

### **Welcome**

We hope you and your family are all safe and well and got some time to relax during this difficult time.

We are all delighted that pupils are able to return to school and we look forward to seeing everyone again.

As you are aware there is a managed return from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020 – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020. This information was on school website, app and twitter. Management staff have also contacted families regarding pupils returning to school and Mrs McBride (Home School Link) has contacted our new S1 pupils.

All pupils will return to school full time education from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

### **Cleaning and Hygiene**

- All cleaning will be carried out in line with COVID-19 guidance
- The school has been cleaned prior to staff and pupils returning
- All staff and pupils will be required to use hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the building
- Tissues and antiviral wipes will be available in all classes
- Pupils (where able) will be asked to clean desks, chairs and equipment using anti-viral wipes
- Lidded bins will be in all classes for the disposal of tissues
- Signs will be displayed around the school to remind pupils to wash / sanitise hands
- Handles and common points of contact will be cleaned throughout the day.
- The school will be cleaned at the end of each day

### **Physical Distancing**

- 2 metre distancing will be maintained (where possible) for adult to adult and adult to pupil
- Face coverings are optional for staff and pupils. Face masks should be kept in a plastic bag when not in use.
- Staff will wear face coverings / visors if they cannot maintain a 2 metre distance and are interacting face to face for 15 minutes or more.

### **Corridors**

- There will be a one-way system in operation to ensure the safe movement of staff and pupils throughout the school
- Wall signage will show the direction of travel
- 2 metre markings on the walls will show the appropriate distancing
- Pupil will only travel to practical classes

### **Classrooms**

- Everyone entering or leaving a class will use hand sanitiser or wash their hands at a sink
- Classes will be allocated a classroom and staff will travel to the pupils with the exception of practical classes.

### **Emergency Evacuation Procedures**

- In the event of an emergency, normal evacuation procedures will be followed.

### **The School Day**

- The school day will run as normal



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- Interval times will be staggered during period 2
- S1 – S3 will have their interval from 10.25am – 10.40am. They will then return to their period 2 class.
- S4 – S4 will have their interval from 10.40am – 10.55am.

**Arrangements for Interval and Lunch**

- There will be no tuck shop. Pupils will need to bring their own snack for interval time

Pupils can still bring in packed lunches

- Pupils will still be entitled to a free school lunch. This lunch will be pre-ordered at registration.
- Most pupils in S1-S3 will eat lunch from 12.35pm – 12.55pm in their base class. From 12.55pm – 1.15pm they will have access to the outdoor area. They will be supervised at all times.
- Most pupils in S4-S6 will have access to the outdoor area from 12.35pm – 12.55pm. They will eat their lunch in their base class from 12.55pm – 1.15pm
- Food cannot be shared with other pupils and birthday cakes etc cannot be sent into the school.

**Pupils who feel ill during the school day**

- If a pupil feels unwell during the school day or develops a high temperature, new continuous cough, a loss of, or a change in their normal sense of taste or smell they will be isolated in a designated room.
- Supervising staff will wear appropriate PPE – mask, gloves and apron
- The school staff will contact the parent / carer to request that their

son/daughter is collected from school.

- Any pupils displaying any symptoms of Covid – 19 should not attend school

**Visitors to the school**

- At this time, parents/carers will not be able to come into the school for meetings. Any contact should be made by telephone or email
- If a parent / carer is collecting a pupil who has become ill, they will be asked by the office staff to wait in the school reception maintaining 2m social distancing.

**PE**

- At this time, PE lessons will take place outside.
- On the days that pupils have PE they should wear suitable PE clothing to school.
- Pupils will not be able to borrow PE kit from the school
- There will be no changing facilities

**Lockers**

- Pupils will have no access to lockers

**Daily Information**

- There will be no Home / School Diaries. A daily information sheet will be sent home. Parents / carers can contact the school with updates via email or telephone

**Educational Visits**

- There will be no educational visits until further notice



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**College Placements**

- Pupils will not be attending college. We will contact you when we have further information.

**Work Experience Placements**

- Pupils will not have work experience placements at this time. We will contact you when we have further information.

**Contact**

- Please contact your pastoral care link if you require any further information

<b>Class</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
1.1 1.2 1/2 2.1 2.2 2.3	<b>Longworth</b>	gw11longworthjamie@glow.sch.uk
3.1 3.2 4.1 4.1	<b>Mrs Watts</b>	gw07wattskaren@glow.sch.uk
5.1 5.2 6.1 6.2	<b>Mr Williams</b>	gw07williamsguto@glow.sch.uk
5.3 6.3	<b>Mrs Johnston</b>	gw07johnstongeraldin@glow.sch.uk

Thank you

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