



Education Resources
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Dear Parent/carers

Phased re-opening of school: week beginning 10 August 2020

As you will know from previous communication from the Executive Director Education Resources, Tony McDaid, South Lanarkshire Council will be re-opening schools on a phased model from Wednesday 12 August 2020 with all pupils returning as from Monday 17 August 2020.

The model which we shall put in place at Lanark Grammar is outlined below and is designed to ensure we can safely return our young people to the school following the lengthy period of school closures. This will enable young people to experience the new school environment and learn about hygiene procedures, health and safety and how the school day will operate.

The health and safety of pupils, and staff, is of prime importance and through bringing back pupils on a phased basis we can ensure appropriate support is in place prior to the full return of all pupils from Monday 17 August 2020.

The tables below contain information on the phased return of pupils for both the wider school and for those pupils within our Additional Support Needs provision. A small number of pupils have a more individual plan and this will be communicated directly to parents/carers.

Wider School:

Day	Date	Year Groups
Wednesday	12 August 2020	S2 and S3
Thursday	13 August 2020	S1, S5 and S6
Friday	14 August 2020	S1 and S4

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Additional Support Needs:

Day	Date	ASN
Wednesday	12 August 2020	Fully Supported
Thursday	13 August 2020	ASC Base Rooms
Friday	14 August 2020	Enhanced Support S1/S2/S3
ASC Wider School pupils should follow the year group model as described in the Wider School table above		
Enhanced Support Senior Phase pupils should follow the year group model as described in the Wider School table above		

Any ASN enquiries should be made to Mrs Brown – gw08brownjulie13@glow.sch.uk

Key Points on health

As stated previously, the health and wellbeing of young people, and staff, as they return to school is of great importance. The following information gives a flavour of key elements of safety and hygiene but further information will follow.

Enhanced personal hygiene must be practised. This includes:

- Ensuring pupils, and staff, clean their hands with soap and warm, running water or sanitiser, when they arrive at school, return from breaks, change rooms and before and after eating. Hand sanitisers will be available at entrances to the school and each classroom.
- Arrangements will be in place to support young people who may need assistance with hygiene procedures.

Good respiratory hygiene must be practised. Young people and staff will be encouraged to:

- Hand sanitise and wash hands on a regular basis.
- Catch coughs/sneezes with tissues or elbow. Tissues should be disposed of into a lidded bin.
- Avoid touching their faces.
- Keep windows/doors open to aid ventilation.

2m physical distancing should be maintained between adults and adults, and adults and children/young people who are not from the same household, wherever possible.

Distancing between children and young people on dedicated school transport is not required although keeping families and year groups together may be helpful.

The position on face coverings on dedicated school transport is consistent with the position in schools. They are not required for children and young people but those who wish to wear a face covering should do so.

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 text, email, 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 667520 or email address office@lanark.s-lanark.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Sherry', written in a cursive style.

Mark Sherry
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