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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted and privileged to have been appointed as Head Teacher of Drumchapel High School and I greatly look forward to working with the community and the families we serve.

I hope you have enjoyed a restful and relaxing summer holiday and I would like to offer some guidance and advice as we return to school.

FIRST DAY ARRANGEMENTS

All pupils will return to school on Monday 16th August at 9am. We will ensure that pupils have to opportunity to reconnect and they are supported in their new year groups.

Pupils will be asked to meet outside the school and will be directed to a class where they will receive the most up to date COVID information as well as their timetables.

SCHOOL DAY

	Monday to Thursday	Friday
Period 1	9.00 – 9.50	9.00 – 9.50
Period 2	9.50 – 10.40	9.50 – 10.40
Period 3	10.40 – 11.30	10.40 – 11.30
Interval	11.30 – 11.45	11.30 – 11.45
Period 4	11.45 – 12.35	11.45 – 12.35
Period 5	12.35 – 1.25	12.35 – 1.25
Lunch	1.25 – 2.00	1.25 – 2.00
Period 6	2.00 – 2.50	School Closed (Parents can decide if their child stays for lunch)
Period 7	2.50 – 3.40	

We will continue to implement split interval and lunchtimes in line with COVID mitigations.

COVID-19 Mitigations from August 2021

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/impact-assessment-reducing-risks-schools-guidance-back-school-arrangements-august-2021/>

- **Face coverings must be worn at all times (indoors) for staff and pupils in secondary schools, unless they have a doctor's exemption**
- **Hands should be sanitised before entering school and washed/sanitised regularly throughout the day.**
- **We will also be ensuring effective ventilation and maintaining the structures put in place to avoid large numbers gathering.**
- **No one should attend school if they are displaying COVID symptoms.**

TESTING

We have sent a text to all parents and carers regarding the collection of lateral flow test kits. Using the test kits twice per week and recording results is the best way to prevent an increase in the spread of the virus. We would strongly encourage all staff and young people to test twice per week. Test kits are available from the school office.

You should only use these tests if your child has NO symptoms. Should your child have symptoms, they should isolate and go for a PCR test – the lateral flow tests are not sufficient in this case.

Should the lateral flow test produce a positive result, your child should isolate until they can get a PCR test. If the PCR is negative your child can return to school. If the PCR test is positive you should inform the school so that we can support learners at home.

UNIFORM

We look forward to welcoming our learners back to school in full school uniform.

S1- S3

- Black formal trousers / skirt (No denims or leggings. Please ensure skirts are of appropriate length for school setting)
- White collared school shirt
- Black v-neck jumper or school hoodie
- School tie
- Black shoes or black trainers
- Shorts/jogging trousers for PE (no football colours, leggings may be worn for PE only)
- T-shirt for PE (school branded or no logo)
- Trainers for PE
- School bag/pencil case

S4- S6

- Black formal trousers / skirt (No denims or leggings. Please ensure skirts are of appropriate length for school setting)
- White collared school shirt
- Black v-neck jumper
- Senior school tie
- Blazer
- Black shoes or black trainers
- Shorts/jogging trousers for PE (no football colours, leggings may be worn for PE only)
- T-shirt for PE (school branded or no logo)
- Trainers for PE
- School bag/pencil case

I-PADS

All S1 i-Pads will be issued as soon as they are available. S2-S6 pupils should attend school on Monday 16th with their i-Pad fully charged. Any issues concerning i-Pads should be e-mailed to DHSoffice1@glow.sch.uk

Young Minds Mental Health Support & Advice for Parents / Carers

Please follow the link below to access helpful advice to support your child's mental health, including a parents' helpline, webchat and email service:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/>

Please do not hesitate to contact me on Headteacher@drumchapelhigh.glasgow.sch.uk if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning or well-being. I look forward to welcoming all young people back to school next week and I very much look forward to working with them and their families to ensure success for all our learners.

Yours sincerely,



Madelaine Baker
Head Teacher

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