



Parents/Carers  
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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Further Update on the re-opening of Crieff High School**

As you are likely aware, the First Minister announced on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July that schools can re-open on a phased return from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August and must re-open to all pupils by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

This is welcome news and we are very much looking forward to seeing our young people back in school again. Please note that Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August are designated in-service days.

I can advise the following phased return arrangements will be in place for our school's pupils:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August: S1, S4, S5 and S6 year groups

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August: S1, S2 and S3 year groups

All pupils will recommence full-time education from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

This will enable focused time for induction for new pupils and reorientation back into the school building for all pupils.

### **Scottish Government guidance**

To support schools prepare for re-opening, guidance from the Scottish Government has been provided and can be found at the website below for your awareness:

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-preparing-start-new-school-term-august-2020/>

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3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020

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## Planning as a family for the re-opening of Crieff High School

I hope confirmation of the phased return of young people along with the commencement of full-time education from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August will support you in your planning as a family.

I will write to you before the weekend with further information on our implementation of the Scottish Government guidance. In the meantime, I can confirm the following to support your preparation as a family:

- Families should continue to follow the most recent **public health advice** if you or anyone in your family are demonstrating symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and pupils should not attend school if they are demonstrating symptoms of COVID-19.
- As part of re-establishing good routines and re-connecting with school, all pupils are expected to wear **full school uniform** upon their return to school.
- If travelling to school by bus, families should become aware whether the bus is **school transport only or public transport** as arrangements for pupils are different for both. Public transport guidance should be followed and this includes the wearing of face coverings and physical distancing where possible.
- **Hand sanitiser** will be available for all pupils when they access the school building and within each classroom. Hand washing facilities are also available and time will be provided for pupils to clean their hands and regularly touched surfaces. Your young person may prefer to bring their own hand sanitiser into school for their personal use.
- Face coverings should not be required for most children. However, pupils and adults may choose to attend school with a **face covering** and are permitted to wear these in their classrooms and as they travel around the school estate.
- Pupils will be made aware that while there may be no physical distancing between young people, two metres **physical distancing** is to be maintained between adults and young people who are not from the same household.
- It is highly recommended that young people remain on the school estate during lunchtime. **Lunch can be pre-ordered** from our canteen and lunchtime will be slightly extended for some year groups to facilitate an increased number of young people.

I would like to thank you once again for your ongoing support and patience as we prepare to re-open our school, and we look forward to welcoming all pupils back to school very soon.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John Donnelly'.

**Mr J Donnelly**  
Headteacher/Campus Leader