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Gryffe High School, Level 1, 2020-2023

Dear S4, S6, S6 Pupils and Parents/Carers

Following yesterday's announcement from the First Minister we now know that:

- ✓ **Some Senior School Pupils will return to school in a recovery stage 1**, to complete critical practical work in week beginning Monday 22 February
- ✓ The First Minister will provide further information over the next few weeks in regard to a possible stage 2 recovery in week beginning Monday 15 March.

In regard to some pupils returning next week to complete critical practical work, I have been in lengthy discussions with Faculty Heads/Principal Teachers of subjects which have significant practical work within their courses:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Art and Design ➤ Design & Technology ➤ Graphic Communication - support required for programming where students do not have the software or hardware at home ➤ Computing - support required for programming where students do not have the software or hardware at home ➤ Drama ➤ HE – Practical Cookery may need in-school access due to resources required ➤ Modern Languages - speaking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Music –in line with the Education Scotland guidelines for the teaching of music during Covid-19 ➤ Photography ➤ PE ... only outside ➤ Dance ... only outside ➤ Practical Metalwork ➤ Science – science courses can be delivered remotely this year, as the AVU(N4), assignment (N5 and H), project (AH) are not required ➤ Advanced Highers remain in remote delivery as far as possible
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Government guidelines state that pupil numbers in school to undertake practical work at any one time should be no more than 5-8% of the secondary school roll. **That allows up to 78 pupils to be in Gryffe at any one time.** Children of key workers are not included within this 5-8% (unless they are in one of the practical blocks).

We will go through various stages, with the aim that **all pupils will have every opportunity to complete their critical SQA Practical work either in school or at home**, with ongoing support and encouragement.

I would like to clearly state that **all** pupils will continue to follow their 'alternative remote timetable' as they have been doing since the start of lockdown. Remote learning is still our primary delivery model in use. In this first stage of recovery Faculty Heads/class teachers, of the subjects named above, will contact pupils within their classes this week and state if they are to attend school next week. The pupils will either be told the 'blocks' from their timetable that they should come into school, or they will be told reasoning of why they are not due in and a little detail regarding them possibly attending school when we get to recovery stage 2. School buses will still run at their usual times, although I would suggest you double check, at the beginning and end of the school day. Should any pupil be unable to get transport to or from school we would ask that they contact their Guidance Teacher in the first instance.

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Faculty Heads have provided me with the names of all pupils they have coming into school each day, and I oversee the numbers to ensure that we keep within our maximum capacity of 78 pupils.

During this recovery stage 1, subjects like PE, although they have a significant SQA practical work, are unable to attend due to us being in 'Level 4 lockdown' – meaning pupils cannot do any performing within the school building.

Dance however may be able to carry out practical performance safely outside the building.

Modern Languages 'speaking' will continue to be practiced through Teams, and we will have a focus on this in recovery stage 2.

If you have any questions regarding pupils attending school for critical SQA Practical work, please feel free to contact the appropriate Faculty Head, Year Head or myself.

Health and safety will remain our key focus. We will maintain our routines to meet and greet learners, adhere to 2 metre physical distancing, and ensure safe entrance and exit from the building. Appropriate pupils will come in for their allocated blocks only. Between blocks pupils MUST stay within the school building and will only be allowed in the Canteen and Games Hall, unless visiting the toilet. If a pupil leaves the school building, they will not be allowed back in, and parents/carers will be informed. All areas used by staff and pupils are cleaned either that afternoon, or the following morning.

All pupils who are asked to attend school next week should, if possible, print and complete the attached CONSENT FORM, and bring it with them on their first day back in school. Should any pupil be unable to print the CONSENT FORM then I would ask that they, if possible, collect a paper copy of the CONSENT FORM from the school office prior to attending school. The accompanying letter gives detail on the COVID-19 asymptomatic testing programme, and all pupils will be given an instruction booklet along with their testing kit.

We continue to do all that we can to support all our pupils in their subjects. Although some pupils will return to school to complete critical SQA practical work, online learning will continue as it is at the moment. You will be aware from my last update that the SQA stated that the final date for schools to submit provisional grades has been moved to Friday 18 June 2021, which allows further time for learning and teaching, including assessment and moderation within schools and across the local authority.

Additional Resources – please always feel free to ask about additional resources, as stated in my last update on Monday. Please collect from the signposted door at the canteen Monday to Friday, between 3:00 – 4:00 pm.

Parent/Carer Survey regarding online learning.

As a follow up from my update on Monday, I have asked all Faculties/Departments, over the next 2 to 3 weeks, to seek pupil and parent/carers views on their online programme.

Please email us, or phone us, and we will do our very best to support in whatever way we can. Contact details of Senior Management Team, Pupil Support staff and Subject Faculty Heads can be found on page 3 of this update.

COVID-19 CONSENT FORM can be found on page 4. Paper copies of this form are also available from the school office.

Please continue to take care and stay safe

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Head Teacher



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If any pupil is finding things a little difficult, or just wants to talk, then please contact one of us.

We are here for you, and as I hope you know **CARING** always comes first.

Contact details of Senior Management Team, Pupil Support staff and subject Faculty Heads.

<p>Senior Management Team:</p> <p>S1, S6 Mrs Brown gw07brownangela3@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>S2 Ms Dhesi gw07dhesisara@glow.sch.uk Ms Dhesi will now be the Year Head for S2 pupils</p> <p>S3 Mr Christie gw16christiekevin@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>S4, S5 Mrs Skillen gw07skillenann@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Mr Taylor gw07taylorscott3@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Mr Johnson gw09johnsoncolin@glow.sch.uk</p>	<p>Principal Teachers Pupil Support: Attainment</p> <p>Ms Dhesi gw07dhesisara@glow.sch.uk Mr Anderson gw14andersonchristo2@glow.sch.uk Mrs Carmichael gw17carmichaelshelle@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Principal Teacher Pupil Support: Achievement</p> <p>Miss Iafrate gw10iafrateannette@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Principal Teachers Pupil Support: Guidance</p> <p>Burns House Mrs O'Hare gillian.ohare1@renfrewshire.school Mrs Carmichael gw17carmichaelshelle@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Fleming House Mr Clark gw07clarkjames5@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Mackintosh House Mr Findlay gw12findlayadam@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Wallace House Miss Holmes gw13holmeshannah2@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Principal Teacher Pupil Support: Support for Learning:</p> <p>Miss Brown gw07brownfiona6@glow.sch.uk</p> <p>Principal Teacher Pupil Support: Wellbeing, Equality and Inclusion:</p> <p>Mrs Costello gw13costellosheena@glow.sch.uk</p>
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NHS TEST AND PROTECT CONSENT FORM for COVID 19 Testing

(This common consent form has been designed for use by: staff; parents and guardians of senior phase pupils under 16; and senior phase pupils over 16. Underlined sections should be deleted as applicable and the form should be completed as follows:

- **for pupils younger than 16 years**, this form must be completed by the parent or legal guardian. Remember to complete **one consent form for each child** you wish to enrol.
- **for pupils over 16 who are able to provide informed consent**, this form can be completed by themselves, having discussed participation with their parent/guardian.
- **for any pupil who does not have the capacity to provide informed consent** - this form must be completed by the parent or legal guardian.
- **staff will complete this form themselves.**)

This COVID 19 testing programme is being led by the Department for Health and Social Care and the Scottish Government to provide asymptomatic testing in schools for staff and senior pupils.

Taking part in testing is voluntary. There is no expectation or obligation to participate. Nobody should be required to undergo testing without consent, and nobody should be excluded from school if they do not wish to test.

Please read the following sections, complete the questions below and return this form to the school as soon as possible:

I have had the opportunity to consider the information provided to me by the school about this testing programme in the letter dated 17/02/21. I have had the opportunity to ask any questions about the programme and, if I have, I have had these answered satisfactorily.

For parents/carers/guardians of under 16s: I have discussed the testing with my child and my child is happy to participate. If on the day of testing they do not wish to take part, then they will not be made to do so.

I consent to participate/ my child participating in this testing programme.

I consent to my / my child's data being held in accordance with the terms in the data privacy notice.

I agree that if my / my child's test results are confirmed to be positive, I / my child will inform the school to support contact tracing.

I consent and agree to accurately recording all of my/my child's test results at www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result or by calling 0300 303 2713.

YES	NO

Staff name: (PRINT) _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of Pupil: (PRINT) _____

Signature _____

Year group _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: (PRINT) _____

Signature _____

Date: _____

Relationship to child: _____

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