

Wallace Hall Update – 11.08.20 - COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are really looking forward to welcoming back all of our pupils to the ELC, Primary and Academy tomorrow and particularly looking forward to meeting all new pupils.

Whole School

Transport

All school services are running as normal on Wednesday. The Council School Transport Department should have been in direct contact with all S1 parents to confirm pick up times and locations.

236 and 246 service buses from Dumfries will also be running as normal but with designated areas for school pupils. However, we would still advise that if parents can bring pupils to school then they should do so.

All pupils should be **MUST** wear face coverings on buses and should follow the driver's instructions on whether this is necessary.

Please bear in mind that fee paying customers will probably be asked for the exact fare.

ELC

Our new Team are looking forward to seeing all of our ELC children tomorrow and have been busy preparing the rooms and outside space ready for your arrival.

Primary

Primary staff are looking forward to seeing all the Primary children tomorrow.

School bags and packed lunches

If your child is bringing a packed lunch please try to pack it into their school bag. If it doesn't fit, it is fine to bring a separate lunch bag. All stationery materials will be provided so please do not bring pencil cases.

Buses and taxis

If your child is getting the bus or a taxi to school they will be met by a member of staff and supervised from arrival.

Academy

Arriving at school on Wednesday 12th August 2020

Pupils should go to their allotted section of the playground as follows (there will be tutor lists displayed on the Street windows facing the playground):

- S1/S2 – Upper Tier – (nearest The Street)
 - S5/S6 – Middle Tier
 - S3/S4 – Lower Tier – nearest classroom block
- When the first bell rings S1 should make their way to the markings on the playground at the shelter – they should line up at their appropriate tutor group name. S1 pupils will be met by members of the Senior Management Team who will welcome them to the school. Tutors will collect each group and take them to the appropriate classroom. S2 should make their way to their registration classes.
 - When the second bell goes S5/S6 pupils should make their way to their Tutor Group classroom
 - When the third bell rings S3/S4 pupils should make their way to their Tutor Group classroom

There will be an extended registration which will last throughout Period 1. Pupils will then move to the class they should be in for Period 2. This will be explained to pupils during their registration period.

Lunch time

In the secondary S1 pupils will not be allowed to go down the street. S2-S4 pupils can leave at the lunch time bell but S5 and S6 pupils will be asked to wait until 1.30pm before they go down the street. This will help to minimise queues and will be regularly reviewed. Pupils will be required to wear masks in shops and to respect the 2m social distancing between themselves and adults in the community.

Pupils are encouraged to bring packed lunches or use our pre-ordering system. The canteen will be open between 8.45am – 9.15am and during the break for pre-ordering.

Some of the shops down the street have also arranged a pre-ordering system.

S6 Pupils – Non-Contact Periods

Where possible S6 pupils should only be on site when they have organised classes. This might involve a later start or an earlier finish. If they are not planning to come in to school at the start of the day because they have a non-contact period they should contact the school office to let them know.

College Academy Pupils

Pupils who are normally working with the College using a blended learning methodology, may work from home on a Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon.

Tuck Shop/Breakfast Club

Tuck Shop and Breakfast Club will resume on Monday 17th August.

SQA Results

Based on today's announcement from the Education Minister for Scotland we will be speaking to all pupils involved about their Estimate Grades tomorrow. When we receive further guidance from the Local Authority we will act accordingly.