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Mr Brian McDermott

Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and yours are well. As we reach the end of the first term, I am writing with some information for your attention.

### **End of Term**

Tomorrow, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October, is the end of term 1 for our young people. Friday of this week is an in-service day for staff. The new term starts after the October week on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Covid-19**

As you are aware via recent communication, we have had a very small number of young people in our school who have tested positive for Covid-19 in recent weeks. Given the increased number of cases across society, there are likely to be cases across our local community, like any other. I want to reassure you that in each case, we have followed the procedures as set out by NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde (Health Protection Team) and we have communicated to all parents as quickly as possible in line with this guidance. There remains no evidence of transmission within our school. I will continue to update you regularly and in line with guidance. Please don't hesitate to get in touch should you have concerns or wish to discuss this with me.

### **SQA Update**

There is an update pending from the Deputy First Minister around plans for the SQA diet for this session. I will update you as soon as I am able around how this will impact on our planned learning in All Saints'. Please be assured that we will do everything we possibly can to ensure our young people have every support and opportunity to realise their potential and that they are equipped for any changes to the SQA requirements.

### **Changes to Pupil Support Structure**

Attached to this letter is specific information from Brian Gallagher (Depute Head Teacher) detailing the changes to our Pupil Support model with effect from 19<sup>th</sup> October.



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## **School Uniform**

The improvement in uniform in our school has been outstanding across this term. I can't thank you enough for your support of our work to ensure that all young people come to school in full school uniform, including school blazer, shirt, school tie, black trousers/skirt and plain black shoes/trainers. As of the **19<sup>th</sup> October**, it is my hope that every young person will attend our school in full uniform. Your support has been fantastic and is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet ordered a school blazer, you can do so using the details below:

<https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/all-saints-secondary-school.html>

[The store is at 35b Argyle Street and they can also be contacted on 0141-221-4472.](https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/all-saints-secondary-school.html)

If you would like some assistance in ordering your child's blazer, please get in touch; we are happy to help. We also have a supply of school blazers in school for sale as well as a supply of free blazers from the pre-loved uniform company.

## **Non-uniform Day – Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> October**

As tomorrow (Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> October) marks the end of term and the last school day pre-19<sup>th</sup> October, I have agreed to allow our S6 Eco-Committee to make tomorrow a 'non-uniform day'. I would ask that young people do not come to school wearing any football clothing.

Our S6 Leadership pupils have asked that where possible, young people make a 50p donation and all monies will be donated to our community food bank – an organisation we work with regularly and a great cause.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your support over this first term. Whilst these are challenging times, our young people have been incredible and have been a credit to you. We have focused on prioritising key and 'catch up' learning this session whilst having a clear focus on all things health and safety and, despite the challenges we have all faced, this has been a very successful and enjoyable first term of this new session.

I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable time over the coming week of mid-term, national guidance permitting, and I very much look forward to welcoming all our young people back on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October for our new term.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you wish to discuss any of the above or any issue pertaining to your child's education and wellbeing.

Yours Sincerely,

Brian McDermott  
Acting Head Teacher