# Parent Update

17 September 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

### S2 Tracking Reports

S2 students were issued with their first tracking reports this week. This should give both you and your child an early indication of how they are settling into their S2 classes. Should you wish to discuss anything on the form, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of House or Mr Small.

#### Introduction to Skills Development Scotland (SDS) for parents and carers of S1 pupils Wednesday 29 September 2021

Want to know more about SDS career information, advice and guidance support for your young person throughout their time at school? Join our careers advisers Lesley and Gordon to hear about SDS, the role of SDS careers advisers in schools and information to support career planning. The online session will also introduce our careers web service <u>My World of Work</u>, which has a dedicated area for parents and carers.

Parents and carers can register for our session here.

#### West Lothian Advice Shop

There is no doubt that the past 18 months has changed all of our lives in ways we could not have imagined and many families have faced additional costs such as higher food and energy bills associated with staying at home more. If you are concerned about your financial situation, West Lothian Council's Advice Shop are here to help. Families can speak to an adviser who can check benefit entitlement, provide help with claims, assist with budgeting support, energy and debt advice. To speak to an adviser call 01506 283000 or

email advice.shop@westlothian.gov.uk www.westlothian.gov.uk/adviceshop

#### **Holiday Reminder**

A quick reminder that the school will be closed on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Many thanks for your continued support and I hope you and your family remain safe and well

Pauline Allison Head Teacher

## **Reminder of Covid 19 Protocols**

As you are aware, with the return of our pupils and staff to school, we have put procedures in to place that support all members of the school community if anyone displays symptoms of Covid 19.

A reminder that the symptoms are:

- High temperature or fever
- A new continuous cough
- A loss of, or change in sense of smell or taste

If a pupil displays symptoms, we will contact you to collect your child (please ensure that we have your most up to date contact details). Pupils over the age of 16 may return home themselves. The pupil should, if possible, wear a face covering en route and avoid public transport.

You will be asked to follow Test and Protect protocols, including booking a PCR test for your child and contacting the school when the result comes through to you.

If anyone within your household tests positive for Covid 19, please do not send your child to school. Report their absence and the reason for this by calling PSA in the morning. You should then book a PCR test for your child and contact the school again when the result comes through. We can then advise you of the next steps to take.