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Dear Parent/Carer

Prioritising the Return of Senior Phase Pupils from Monday 22 February

As you will be aware the First Minister of Scotland, Nicola Sturgeon, has announced that from Monday 22 February a limited number of senior phase pupils will be invited into school. The number of pupils will be between 5 and 8% of the whole school population. For Craigie High School that means that no more than 60 pupils will be able to be in school at the same time. The purpose of bringing these senior phase pupils back is to **allow them to complete the learning and teaching of critical practical work in relation to qualifications in school which cannot be delivered remotely.**

Pupil will be invited in on a rota basis and we will make contact via a group call to parents as well as information via Teams and glow identifying who should attend and when. The Scottish Government has identified the subjects affected and for Craigie **only** pupils studying the following subjects will be invited in.

National 5 Practical Cookery

National 5 Practical Cake Craft

National 4, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Music

National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Drama

National 4, National 5 and Higher Administration

National 4, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Art

National 4, National 5 and Higher Graphic Communication

National 4, National 5 and Higher Design and Manufacture

National 4 and National 5 Practical Woodwork

Pupils who are not specifically invited into school should not attend and should continue their learning remotely. However, it should be noted that staff involved in delivering the above in school provision may have to adapt the type and amount of remote learning they continue to provide whilst they prioritise delivering the practical work to the pupils attending school.

Please note that these new arrangements do not affect the current provision in school for either children of key workers or vulnerable children which will continue in the same way they have done since January.

Pupils attending school should wear school uniform, arrive promptly at the time indicated and wear a face mask. Strict 2m distancing will be in place in all parts of the school. Pupils should enter the building by the usual entrances (Arbroath Road and Brington Road) and report immediately to the Assembly Hall where they will be met by their teacher and taken to their place of learning. Pupils who complete their work will be

allowed to leave the school as soon as they are finished and will likely be given some work to complete at home.

More detailed information is available on Education Scotland's website which can be found at <https://education.gov.scot/improvement/covid-19-education-recovery/cerg-guidance/>

Asymptomatic Testing (Lateral Flow Testing)

Any senior pupil who is invited to attend school from Monday 22nd February is eligible to take part in the Asymptomatic Testing Programme for Covid-19. Parents/Carers were sent a letter last week detailing information regarding this testing which you should discuss with your son/daughter prior to consenting or not. If you wish to take part, you (not the pupil) must pick up a testing pack from Craigie reception on Thursday or Friday this week and start the process. It has to be a parent/guardian who picks up the kit and signs a consent form, pupils will not be given kits without signed parental consent.

Testing should commence from the day the kit is picked up and continue on a weekly basis on Mondays and Thursdays until further notice. Additional test kits can be picked up from Craigie reception on Mondays and Thursdays going forward. Results should be logged using the information below.

The tests supplied do not require laboratory processing and can provide a quick result in around 30 minutes. Comprehensive guidance on conducting self-testing is contained in the 'Instructions for Use' leaflet which will be provided with the test kit. There is a useful video showing participants how to administer the test here: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvaBZskxS7tzQYIVg7lwH5uxAD9UrSzGJ>.

Once the test has been conducted individuals must log the test result – whether positive, negative or void – online at www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result. Tests are free of charge and will be provided by the school.

Note: It is important to note that this regular testing is only for individuals without symptoms. Those with symptoms must continue to follow the usual guidance. They must self-isolate and book a PCR test at a test centre or via a home test kit at the earliest opportunity. People with symptoms must not rely on a negative LFD result to continue to attend school.

Note: A negative test result must not be taken as leave to relax or ignore physical distancing or other measures intended to reduce transmission – testing is an additional intervention that contributes to reducing risk.

Yours faithfully

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