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Dear Parents/Carers,

You will be aware from communication from North Ayrshire Council and the recent announcement from Nicola Sturgeon on Thursday 30th July that pupils will return to school on a full-time basis. We are delighted that this is happening and look forward to having pupils back in the school to be part of their development, share their achievements and support their wellbeing.

At Garnock Community Campus we continue to prepare for the return of pupils and staff. As you would expect, we will have the school fully cleaned and all of the appropriate safety measures necessary in place. These include: robust hygiene and cleaning procedures; supervision on entering and leaving the school building; hand sanitisers at all entrance / exit points; a one way system in place for pupil movement around the building; and revised risk assessments to ensure we have taken all appropriate precautions.

There will be a phased return for secondary pupils, starting on Wednesday 12th August. Our timeline is:

Monday 10th August	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 11th August	Staff INSET Day
Wednesday 12th August	S1, S5 and S6 return to school
Thursday 13th August	S4 return to school (in addition to S1, S5 and S6)
Friday 14th August	S2 and S3 return to school, meaning ALL pupils are back.
Monday 17th August	All pupils are back as normal.

The start of the school day is still 9.00am. Pupils should, where possible, remain outside the building until the warning bell sounds and then make their way to Registration. The period timings will be the same as usual, as will the end of the school day. Pupils will attend their normal lessons, at the normal times, and we will try to encourage pupils to social distance wherever possible, however that will be a responsibility that we hope the pupils will take onboard themselves.

SQA Results

Our new S5 and S6 pupils, and the S6 pupils who left us last session, have received their SQA results today, Tuesday 4th August. Mr Duff will be in contact with pupils and parents regarding SQA appeals and the arrangements for pupils who wish to consider a change to their options. If there is anything you wish to ask in the meantime, then please contact Mr Duff in the first instance.

School Uniform

We would ask all pupils and parents / carers to support our School Uniform for the coming session. All pupils will be expected to be in full school uniform when we return to school next week and thereafter. Our uniform policy is on our website and school uniform can be purchased from

Embroidery Solutions in Kilwinning (<https://embroiderysolutions.org.uk>) In addition, our Parent Council run a very successful uniform Kit Stop Shop. Please get in touch with our Parent Council Chair, Carolyn Currie for further details (Currie.carolyn@hotmail.com).

Children Unwell at School

Adults will not be permitted inside the school without prior notice. If your child becomes unwell then you will be contacted and asked to put arrangements in place to collect your child. If your child displays Covid-19 symptoms at home, please do not send them to school.

Visitors to School

Only organised visitors, such as delivery drivers and peripatetic teachers, will be permitted entry to the school. If you require to speak to someone, please call the school office or send us an email. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

Further information regarding returning to school is available at North Ayrshires website (<https://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-learning/education-learning-covid-19.aspx>) including Frequently Asked Questions and National Guidance.

I would like to thank all pupils and parents/carers for their support over the last few months and for the many kind words in regard to the work staff were doing to support children during home schooling.

Over the next few days and weeks, we will continue to work together to ensure the experiences for our pupils and staff are as supportive and positive as possible and look forward to having a “buzz” back in our school and welcoming all of our new S1 pupils into this environment.

Yours sincerely,



Alan Dick
Head Teacher