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Dear Parent/Carer

### ASN Wing Parent/Carers

I wrote to you on 4<sup>th</sup> March in response to the First Minister's statement on the phased return to school from 15<sup>th</sup> March. This letter is giving more details about what that phased return will look like for the pupils here at Bucksburn Academy.

#### Rationale

This plan is to support all young people with a full return to the school on April 12<sup>th</sup> (subject to confirmation by the Scottish Government). Within the ASN Wing at Bucksburn Academy we will maximise, being mindful of current restrictions, the number of young people reconnecting with school in the last two weeks before the Easter holidays, beginning the week of the 15 March 2021. This will be a third of the pupils each day over the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the last two weeks of this term. Most pupils will have one morning in school each week to support them returning after the Easter holidays.

Day For Two weeks from the 15 March	In school	In school
Monday	One third of Wing pupils	+ Hub Pupils
Tuesday	One third of Wing pupils	+ Hub Pupils
Wednesday	One third of wing pupils	+ Hub Pupils
Thursday		Hub Pupils
Friday		Hub Pupils

The main focus of these two weeks will be to support our young people for their full return after the Easter holidays. All staff will be in school and this will significantly impact on the number of online learning opportunities and how they are delivered during this time. Your child's class teacher will inform you what blended learning will look like during the last two weeks of term.

Whilst increasing the number of young people accessing in-school provision, we will maintain our provision for key worker and vulnerable children currently available.

All parents and carers will be informed this week which morning their young person will be in school.

To ensure that the return is as safe as possible we will continue with the mitigations within our risk assessment. These mitigations will be enhanced with 2m distancing where possible at all times inside the school building and face coverings will be required for all pupils and staff at all times in the building, including in classrooms (unless exempt).

The school day will run from 8.30am until 11.30am:

- Please provide your young person with a snack. Most pupils will be in school morning only so no lunch will be provided.

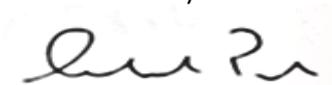
Expectations when pupils come to the school for these sessions:

- Arrive and leave school through the Wing entrance.
- Sanitise/wash hands on entry and when leaving the building.
- Sanitise/wash hands when moving in and out of the classroom
- Pupils should dress appropriately for the weather as time will be spent outside. Pupils do not need to wear uniform.
- Wear a face covering (unless exempt) at all times in the building including in classrooms. We will provide fluid resistant face coverings during this two-week period.
- Pupils using school transport are expected to wear a mask at all times on their transport journey (unless exempt). A parent/carer will need to be at home for pick up and drop off, unless prior alternative arrangements have been agreed with the school and transport.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions regarding the above information.

Please stay safe and take care.

Yours sincerely



Mike Paul

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