

30th April 2021

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we head towards the May Bank Holiday, I wanted to share some important dates and updates with you in support of our young people and school community. Firstly, my thanks for your support in returning our pupils back to face to face learning. They have been a credit to you and it has been lovely to have our community together again. On behalf of all of our teachers, my thanks to you for all your good work in supporting your children with online learning. We fully appreciate what a challenge this has been for families and would like to formally thank you for your continued support and commitment throughout this Pandemic. It is my opinion that you have done a wonderful job in supporting us to keep our young people learning through lockdown.

Holiday weekends and Inset Days

We have a number of forthcoming holidays and Inset Days this term, as follows:

- Monday, 3rd May - Bank Holiday Monday. School Closed.
- Thursday, 6th May - Inset Day. School closed to pupils.
- Friday, 7th May - Additional Inset Day. School closed to pupils.
- Friday, 28th May until Monday 31st May - May Weekend Holiday. School Closed.
- Tuesday, 1st June - Additional Inset Day. School closed to pupils.
- Thursday, 24th June - last day of term.

SQA Alternative Certification Model

As you will be aware from previous communications, our young people in S4-S6 are progressing through their National Qualifications in-school, with teachers capturing evidence of progress to inform SQA Qualifications. A calendar of subject 'progress snapshots' has been prepared for our young people and can be found on our school website for parents to reference at:

<http://www.kirkintilloch.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/learning/sqa/>

Raising attainment sessions and study spaces

To support our S4-6 pupils through this busy schedule, we have prepared several supports. In the first instance, pupils in S4-S6 will not follow planned work in PSE, RE or PE and will instead be supported to study. We will also have staffed study rooms available throughout lunchtime and during free periods so that pupils can study in a quiet, supervised area within school. Our staff are running a packed calendar of supported study and raising attainment

sessions for our senior pupils both at lunchtime and after school. This can be accessed by parents and pupils on our website here:

<http://www.kirkintilloch.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/media/13499/raising-attainment.pdf>

Uniform

Thank you for sending your children to school so smartly presented in uniform. I appreciate that many of our young people have outgrown clothing that fitted prior to lockdown. If we can support you in any way, please contact us directly.

Wishing you and your families a wonderful long weekend.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Maureen Daniel' in a cursive script.

Maureen Daniel,
Head Teacher