

# JOHN PAUL ACADEMY - NEWS ARCHIVE FROM AUGUST 2020



**29 MARCH - SENIOR MASTERCLASS TIMETABLE** - in this last week of term, senior pupils can sign up to 'Masterclass' sessions in every subject. It is important to inform teachers which sessions you will attend. Please find the senior 'Masterclass' timetable attached here.

We continue to welcome our S1-3 pupils back - arrangements for this week are as follows:

S1 - Pupils will attend on Monday P6+7 for their Maths Challenge

S2 - Pupils will attend on Monday morning to complete Options by appointment

S3 - Pupils will attend on Tuesday to complete Options by appointment

All pupils should check year group Teams for information on when they have been invited to attend.

**17 MARCH - ADDITIONAL INSERVICE DAYS** - 2 additional inservice days have been added to the Summer term (these are for secondary schools only to allow for quality assurance procedures for SQA assessments).

Our in-service days next term will be (additional inservice days in bold text):

Monday April 19th - secondary schools only

Thursday May 6th - all schools and nurseries (election day)

Tuesday 1st June - secondary schools only

Monday 7th June - secondary schools only

Other holidays are in the Summer term are:

Monday 3 May 2021 (May Holiday)

Friday 28 May 2021 and Monday, 31 May 2021 (May Weekend)

**10 MARCH - RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN FOR ALL PUPILS** - we are delighted to be welcoming all pupils back to school from Monday 15th March. Following the guidance from the Scottish Government, this will be on a part-time basis with Blended Learning in place until the end of term. Mr McGhee has informed all pupils and parents of our school's plan via Teams meetings today at 2.30pm and 6.30pm, the presentation for this meeting can be found here. As advised,

priority is given to our S4-6 pupils who will be undertaking National Qualifications this year. If you have any questions - please do not hesitate to contact the school between 9am and 3pm to speak to a member of staff.

**18 FEB - PHASED RETURN OF SENIOR PUPILS** - following the First Minister's confirmation of the phased return of senior pupils to practical subjects on Monday 22nd February, important information on this is shown below.

**Timetable for Practical Subjects** - please click [here](#) for the timetable arrangements for pupils returning for senior practical classes from Monday 22 February.

**Covid Testing Kits** - please click [here](#) for information on the use of Covid Testing Kits which have been issued to schools. Please click [here](#) for important details of the collection of testing kits on Friday 19 February.

**18 FEB - Letter from Maureen McKenna, Executive Director of Education regarding phased return to schools.** Click [here](#) to access.

**1 FEB - Letter to Senior Phase Pupils from Maureen McKenna, Executive Director of Education.** Click [here](#) to access.

**27 JANUARY** - Important letter from Maureen McKenna Executive Director of Education. Click [here](#) to access.

**18 JANUARY - OPTIONS PROCESS**

The S2 year group are currently in the process of selecting their subjects for S3. Parents and learners have received information on this.

The other year groups will shortly be invited to make their choices - we will inform learners and parents of this when the time comes.

Please find here links to the [BGE \(S1-S3\) Options Booklet](#) and [Senior Options Booklet](#) for your information.

These booklets will provide you with details of the subjects and courses available to the young people.

Please contact Pupil Support or the relevant depute if you require further assistance. Thank you.

**19 JANUARY** - as per the announcement by the First Minister. Remote Learning will continue until 'mid-February'.

**13 JANUARY** - Important Letter from Maureen McKenna regarding Free School Meals during current lockdown Please click [here](#) to read this important letter

**8 JANUARY** - LETTER FROM HEAD TEACHER REGARDING ONLINE LEARNING Please click [here](#) to read this important letter

**4 JANUARY - SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE - MONDAY 4 JANUARY** Following the First Minister's address to parliament, the school will move to 'remote learning' from Monday 11th January until Monday 1st February - or otherwise advised. More information for parents and learners will follow later this week.

**20 NOVEMBER - JPA JOURNAL - THE LATEST EDITION** The JPA Journal is our school newspaper, which was launched last session - created by our newly recruited News Team, led by Miss Wakefield. Please click [here](#) to read it.