

Cedarbank School

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Dear Parent / Carer, 4/3/21

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well as we continue to work together to support your child, in their learning, during this period of lockdown.

I write to update you on where we are at in terms of our school calendar and the events that our young people and you, our parents and carers, would ordinarily be involved in at this time of the academic year.

As you know, every year, our young people transition to our Cedarbank Annexe in Deans Community High School for their S4 and S5 curriculum. To support this transition, we have put in place a series of visits to our Annexe. All being well, it is our intention to begin this transition in May. The dates are as follows:

- Friday 7th May
- Friday 14th May
- Friday 21st May
- Friday 28th May

Pupils will go directly, in their taxi, to CB@DCHS where they will remain for the whole morning. During the course of their visits pupils will:

- 1. Have a tour around the school and become familiar with their way to and from our Annexe classrooms
- 2. Spend time being taught by staff in our Annexe classrooms
- 3. Become familiar with the routines of a larger school environment.
- 4. Meet with Mr Sam Morgan our Skills Development Scotland partner

It is also our intention to arrange a suitable date for you, our parents and carers, to visit our Annexe. The practicalities of this visit will be dependent on government guidance nearer the time. It is more than likely that this will be a remote tour.

After Easter, our Course Choice programme will also begin. In preparation for this, your child will meet with a member of staff next week, to chat about their general interests alongside the subjects that they enjoy. This exercise will encourage them to begin the process of thinking about what they may want to study for their National Qualification in the Senior Phase and provide us with an indication of their interests. This helps us in planning ahead for what courses/subjects we will offer in our Course Choice booklet. I have included a copy of the worksheet that we will fill in with your child next week. Please feel free to chat this through with them over the course of the next few days.















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For those pupils who continue to learn remotely, a member of the school management team will be in touch next week to complete this task with your child.

We are currently in the process of planning with our teachers for our Parent/Carer Night and what this may look like for you and your child. It is our intention to run this event in May. As with the tour of our Annexe at DCHS, our Parent/Carer Night will be in line with government guidance in relation to infection control measures. It is also our intention to invite Mr Sam Morgan to our Parent/Carer Night thus giving you an opportunity to meet with him to discuss any career aspirations that your child may have shared with you.

Our teachers will begin writing their pupil reports in a few weeks. These are scheduled to be with you by Friday the 7th May.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if there is anything at all that you would like to chat through.

In the meantime, I wish you and your family well at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

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