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Dear Parent/Carer

First Minister's Announcement

On 2 March 2021, the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, confirmed the Scottish Government's plans for the next phase of the return to school from Monday 15 March.

This will involve some in-school teaching for all pupils with priority given to those students in the Senior Phase (S4 – S6) who are taking national qualifications this session. However, the plans are conditional on continued progress on suppressing COVID-19.

We have already started to develop plans on this basis but we are awaiting information from the Scottish Government and Education Scotland before we can confirm any details. With the need for 2 metre physical distancing, not every pupil can be in school at the same time so we are planning for a blended learning approach and the day(s) in school for individual pupils will vary. We will confirm the specific arrangements for each child before the end of next week.

I appreciate that many of you will have further questions and I would like to thank you for your patience as we put appropriate plans in place. We will issue further updates once these plans are confirmed.

I hope that you and your family stay safe, fit and healthy.

Yours sincerely

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