

Boroughmuir High School- Phased Return to School



15th March 2021

Introduction

The main purpose of this very limited part time return to school, is to reconnect pupils with in-school learning and to further support pupils' health and wellbeing in preparation for a full return to school after Easter.

There are strict Scottish Government guidelines that must be followed to allow this reopening to occur.

2 metre social distancing and face coverings are required by all pupils in S1-6.

The only exemptions for face coverings are medical exemptions (<http://exempt.scot/>). **If you do not have a medical exemption and do not wear a face covering, you cannot attend school.**

The 2m social distancing requirement restricts the numbers of pupils allowed into school at any one time to between 25% and 30% of the school population.

With the majority of pupils still learning at home, teachers require time to be able to provide continued support for on-line home learning.

Key Information

- **All pupils will attend school for a minimum of one ½ day per week.**
- They will be in school from registration until the end of period 4 (lunchtime).
- They will follow their normal school timetable for that morning session. (see timetables below for each week)
- Pupils will leave the school at the start of lunchtime.
- **Some senior S4-6 pupils doing practical subjects will attend school on a Friday morning and/or some afternoon slots.** This is to allow these pupils to continue engaging with essential practical work for SQA qualifications. These pupils will be contacted directly by departments.
- **HUB pupils** will still attend the HUB when not in timetabled classes.
- **All pupils** will now be outside at breaktime. This is due to infection control and difficulties in maintaining 2m social distancing in the building. A breaktime snack should be brought into school.
- All pupils, excepting HUB pupils, will leave for home at lunchtime. Pupils with Free School Meal entitlement will receive lunch before they leave.
- All pupils are encouraged to wear school dress code. As before school PE dress code is an acceptable option on days when pupils have PE. PE will also take place outside.
- **Health and safety protocols** must be followed by all pupils and staff at all times (see H&S section below) All pupils and staff will have to observe 2m social distancing and wear a mask at all times.

In School Programme – Monday March 15th to Thursday April 1st

S1-6 pupils attend only on either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 0832-1250

They will be split alphabetically into 4 approximately equal sized **populations** labelled as **A,B,C or D**. Classes therefore will be approximately one third to one quarter of their usual size. Populations A, B, C or D attend only on the morning of one identified day. To ensure teachers have the time required to continue to support at-home learning, pupils will only attend from registration to period 4. The timetable will not follow calendar days but instead the **School Timetable Day** as indicated below.

Pupils cannot swap the population they are in. They must remain in their allotted group.

Monday attendance	-	Population A	surnames starting with A-E
Tuesday attendance	-	Population B	surnames starting with F-K
Wednesday attendance	-	Population C	surnames starting with L-P
Thursday attendance	-	Population D	surnames starting with Q-Z
Friday attendance	-		some S4-6 pupils completing essential practical work

S1-6 Mondays Pop A Surnames A-E	S1-6 Tuesdays Pop B Surname F-K	S1-6 Wednesdays Pop C Surnames L-P	S1-6 Thursdays Pop D Surnames Q-Z
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Pupils with double barrelled surnames should attend the population group of the first letter of the surname.

Period timings:

Period	Time	
Registration	0832-0845	Pupils arrive and go straight to registration classes. Check timetable for day to follow
Period 1	0845-0940	P1 class for that day
Period 2	0940-1035	P2 class for that day
Break	1035-1055	All pupils must be outside at break (dress appropriately)
Period 3	1055-1150	P3 class for that day
Period 4	1150-1250	P4 class for that day
Finish	1250	All pupils must leave. There is no lunch service other than FME.
Period 5-6		Teachers prepare and deliver on-line learning .Pupils engage in on-line home learning

Week 1 - Beginning March 15th: - ALL POPULATIONS WILL FOLLOW A **MONDAY** MORNING TIMETABLE THIS WEEK

	Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday 8.32-12.50
S1-6 In-School AM	S1-6 Pop A Surnames A-E	S1-6 Pop B Surname F-K	S1-6 Pop C Surnames L-P	S1-6 Pop D Surnames Q-Z	S4-6 Practical Work (for some identified pupil groups)
Timetable Day for all populations	Monday				S1-6 Online Learning at home – class teachers to support online learning
PM	1335-1530 Teachers support on-line learning. Some in-school practical sessions for S4-6 may be scheduled.				

Week 2- Beginning March 22nd: ALL POPULATIONS WILL FOLLOW A **THURSDAY** MORNING TIMETABLE THIS WEEK

	Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday 8.32-12.50
S1-6 In-School AM	S1-6 Pop A Surnames A-E	S1-6 Pop B Surname F-K	S1-6 Pop C Surnames L-P	S1-6 Pop D Surnames Q-Z	S4-6 Practical Work (for some identified pupil groups)
Timetable Day for all populations	Thursday				S1-6 Online Learning at home – class teachers to support online learning
PM	1335-1530 Teachers support on-line learning. Some in-school practical sessions for S4-6 may be scheduled.				

Week 3 - Beginning March 29th: ALL POPULATIONS WILL FOLLOW A **FRIDAY** MORNING TIMETABLE THIS WEEK

	Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
S1-6 In-School AM	S1-6 Pop A Surnames A-E	S1-6 Pop B Surname F-K	S1-6 Pop C Surnames L-P	S1-6 Pop D Surnames Q-Z	School Closed Easter Holidays
Timetable Day for all populations	Friday				
PM	1335-1530 Teachers support on-line learning. Some in-school practical sessions for S4-6 may be scheduled.				

The timetabled days of Monday, Thursday and Friday are chosen to maximise subject contact for senior phase pupils.

Health and Safety Information

Pupils should arrive at school with their own face coverings. There is a limited number available in school.

Pupils should observe 2m social distancing at all times.

Pupils should hand wash and hand sanitize regularly.

Pupils should observe the 1-way systems in the school.

Pupils will be asked to sit in designated seats to support track and trace in the event of a positive case. Teachers will keep seating plans.

Pupils will be outside at morning break and will leave school for home at lunchtime.

There will be staggered exit times at break and the end of the morning (12.50) to support social distancing:-

S1- 3 pupils will commence morning break at 10.30, senior pupils will commence break at 10.35

S1- 3 pupils will be dismissed at 12.45pm, senior pupils will be dismissed at 12.50pm.

Senior pupils and staff are encouraged to use the **Asymptomatic Testing Kits** that are available to collect in the school for home use. Please click on this link below to see further information about this programme.

[Asymptomatic testing programme for school staff and senior phase pupils | Boroughmuir High School](#)

On-line Learning

The delivery of online learning will be impacted by the introduction of this partial return to school model.

Pupils will of course be engaged in on-line learning most of the time. In order to keep on-line learning running successfully please follow the advice and adaptations that will be communicated to you by your teacher via Teams.

Live class contact meetings may have to be rescheduled, reduced or replaced with alternative activities to accommodate this partial return to school model. If they do take place if possible they will be within the usual timetabled period for that class. That may not be possible!

Subjects may run consolidation time, aimed at supporting pupils to catch up on missed assignments and offering small group or 1:1 support.

Teachers **may** follow a 'flipped learning' model where teacher input and content is pre-recorded (such as a narrated PowerPoint or video) and pupils can access this at any time before they come to school. When in school, the teacher will use their in-class time to support and consolidate this prior learning.

If you have any questions, please contact admin@boroughmuir.edin.sch.uk or your child's Guidance teacher.

From Tuesday 20th April, a planned full return for all pupils is anticipated. More information will be provided nearer the time.