

## People Directorate

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Dear Parent/Carer

### School Calendar / Parent and Carer Update

Please find attached to this letter a copy of the school calendar for session 2020-2021. At present, a number of events are highlighted in red and remain 'to be confirmed'. We are reviewing the calendar on a regular basis and will contact you with any further updates or changes. In light of the fact that we are not yet able to hold Parents' Evenings in their usual format, we are working with each of the secondary schools on a reporting strategy to ensure that you are kept informed about your child's progress. A copy of the calendar can also be found on the school website.

Attached to this message you will also find a copy of a letter and a parent information sheet from the Public Health Team, which provides the latest information and advice from NHS Ayrshire and Arran. This information has been shared with all families living in Ayrshire. South Ayrshire Council are also keen to gather your views on your experience during the COVID pandemic/lockdown, its impact on you and your community, your thoughts on how the Council can plan services as we move through the stages of recovery, and your concerns about the future. The survey can be accessed [here](#) or via the QR code below.



All S1 and any new students to the school have been issued with a letter introducing Satchel One (Formerly Show My Homework). For additional support with installing and using the app, Mr Alford has created a short video which can be viewed on our YouTube channel [https://youtu.be/f02RqTF\\_iYo](https://youtu.be/f02RqTF_iYo)

Our College and UCAS application information is now available to view online [here](#) and contains videos, student guides and links to further information. The application process is already underway with our new S6 students.

Mr Connell (Design and Technology) has recently been appointed acting PT Guidance for Darley House and will take over from Mrs Cooper on a temporary basis until the end of May 2021.

As we continue to review the safety measures we have in place, our next focus will be on managing lunch breaks when the full school meal service resumes on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The introduction of the Fusion mobile app appears to be positive and I would ask that you support your child to download and use the app, topping up their account via iPay. Further details on lunch arrangements will be issued prior to the September long weekend.

Finally, well done to our young people who continue to bring a face mask to school and wear it at appropriate times during the school day. Over the last few days, we have issued an increasing number of disposable masks and would be grateful if you could please remind your child to pack their face mask in a clear plastic bag or container and bring it to school each day.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'George Docherty'.

George Docherty  
Head Teacher