

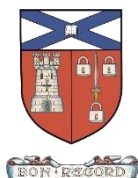
# Aberdeen Grammar School

## OUR VISION

Working together

Learning together

Achieving together



## OUR VALUES

Ambition

Growth

Success

8 June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Please find below key updates for this week.

### Phased return to school

Aberdeen City Council is currently working on a Local Phased Delivery Plan (LPDP) for the reopening of schools. I will share this with you when it is complete. The plan is based on the national documents I referred to last week. (include links to operational guidance and the framework).

As a school, we are considering local and national guidance very carefully and we will produce our own School Recovery Plan which I will share with you over the coming weeks. I will be seeking pupil and parental feedback on our School Recovery Plan. As such, a first draft will be discussed with our Parent Council and we will also seek pupil views through a series of focus groups.

Just a reminder that one of the key components of this plan is how we plan blended learning, which is:

- 'in-school learning – you will be given the specific times your child will be in school.
- 'at home' learning will build on the new coursework which teachers have been delivering through Google classrooms since the early timetable change (11 May for S4-S6 pupils and 25 May for S2 and S3 pupils).

### School APP

The School App is a simple way to keep up to date with news from the School. The App is available in your mobile phone's app store and is called 'School App for Parents'.



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**Insurance claims**

We have completed the insurance claims for each trip which was scheduled to run and cancelled due to COVID-19.

As yet, we have not received any funds from the insurance companies. I am sure you will understand that, as a school, we cannot issue refunds until we are in receipt of the funds from the insurance company. Due to the volume of claims being processed from all over the UK, this may take some time.

Please be assured that, as soon as we are in receipt of the funds, we will issue refunds to you.

**Delivery of Chrome Books**

All parental requests for Chromebooks and/or Internet dongles have been met and the devices delivered to pupils' homes. Any family who still wishes to order a Chromebook or an internet dongle can do so at any time by emailing the request to [AberdeenGrammarSchool@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:AberdeenGrammarSchool@aberdeencity.gov.uk), stating their child's name, their current home address and their contact telephone number.

**Library Website**

Miss Gould, our School Librarian, has created a new website. The website brings together a range of resources to support and promote pupils' reading for pleasure, study and research skills and health and wellbeing. The main sections are:

- Reading: book reviews and recommendations and the opportunity for pupils to contribute their own reviews
- Learning and research: research skills including planning, searching, evaluating resources, taking effective notes and referencing.
- Creative Writing: writing tips with opportunities for pupils to showcase their own writing as well as information about competitions.

Miss Gould has also collated a large selection of online resources and websites to support pupils' study and independent learning skills; reading and wellbeing.

**SQA Update**

Please find attached the latest SQA parent and carer update.

Please be assured that I will keep you well informed and continue to provide you with key updates.

Kindest regards

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Head Teacher