



Dear Parent/Carer,

It remains the case that relatively few of our pupils have had to isolate due to COVID-19. Your cooperation in ensuring that that continues to be the case is much appreciated. I draw your attention to the Police Alert below. In addition to their concerns, we would take a dim view of conduct which resulted in unnecessary COVID infections and the loss of education for innocent young people who subsequently had contact with those engaging in illegal behaviour.

I am pleased to advise you that it has been agreed that John Anderson will take up post as Rector of Jordanhill School from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Accordingly, I shall be stepping down from my acting post as Chief Executive from Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>. This will afford John the opportunity to re-engage with the school over the final three weeks of term.

The bursar will shortly issue formal notification of the [AGM](#) which takes place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November via Zoom. Given the circumstances, it is envisaged that the meeting will be relatively short without any extended presentations from the convenor or me. That said, the Board is bringing forward some important [amendments to our constitution](#) designed to ensure that the parent voice on our Board is not artificially diluted due to issues around the timing of the AGM.

I regret that we will be unable to proceed with most of our Christmas events this year. The start of the Christmas season has traditionally been marked by the PTA Fayre and the Tea Party for the elderly in our community organised by S1. In this our centenary year we had planned a joint Primary and Secondary Christmas Concert to be held at City Halls. This has been cancelled along with all the Secondary dances. We will be holding events for Primary classes within their class bubbles and Mr Buchan will advise you of the details in due course. Unfortunately, Santa is isolating this year and will not be attending the infant parties!

Kindest regards  
Paul Thomson

## Halloween Police Alert

The Police have contacted all local schools to express their concern regarding large outdoor Halloween Parties being planned for Friday and/or Saturday night in our community. These are being advertised through Social Media. They are asking you to keep your young people at home this weekend. Parents are at the risk of being fined if they don't as they would be in breach of COVID-19 restrictions.

There have already been up to 100 youths causing disorder at the treeline within Jordanhill Park and around Hughenden Lane over the last few months. The youths range from approximately 13 – 18 years of age and are coming from a number of schools in the area. Many of them are intoxicated and have been very abusive to Police officers.

## Winter Weather and Uniform

As we head towards colder weather please read our leaflet offering guidance to parents on [Winter Weather](#) arrangements.

During the coming months the school has to strike a balance between maintaining enhanced ventilation and keeping working temperatures at 17-19°C. It is already the case that on the days they have P.E./sport pupils can wear their school P.E./sport clothing throughout the day as the changing rooms remain closed.

At its recent meeting the Board agreed that, as a special dispensation, on the days they are wearing normal uniform Secondary pupils can wear the green/red school sports hoodie underneath their blazer on cold days. Please note that pupils must still wear their blazer and that other hoodies will not be permitted. Pupils will be required to remove items not in accord with the [Uniform](#) requirements.

## Centenary Gifts

As we approach the School's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020, we wish to offer parents, pupils and friends of the School the opportunity to purchase from the range of merchandise we introduced to celebrate our centenary.

Sadly, we have been unable to promote these items at the planned celebratory events. We have a range of packages available on our [online shop](#) for merchandise items which may be of interest as Christmas gifts.

### [Online Shop](#)



The Jordanhill tartan lambswool scarf is a permitted uniform item for ALL pupils in School and this may be of interest as the weather is turning colder. Only pupils in S5 and S6 are permitted to wear the tartan tie.

## Forthcoming Events

### November

Mon2 + Tues3 Instrumental Instruction Parents' Evening (Virtual)

Primary Parents Meetings (Virtual)

Thurs 5 November 6.30-8.30 pm; Tuesday 10 6.30-8.30 pm; Thursday 12 4.00-5.30 pm

Thursday 12 S1 Interim Parents' Evening (Virtual)

Wednesday 18 S5-S6 Parents' Evening (Virtual)

Tuesday 24 AGM (Virtual)

Mon 23 to S4 Mock Examinations

Wed 2 Dec

**December** Tuesday 22 Term ends 12.00 noon