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Dear Parent/Carer

Following the statement from the First Minister on Thursday, 30 July, I wish to update you on the reopening of Strathaven Academy. This information follows on from the letter issued by Tony McDaid, Executive Director (Educational Resources) on Monday, 3 August.

**Return dates**

Staff will return for an in-service day on Tuesday 11 August, followed by pupils beginning to return for individual induction days from Wednesday 12 until Friday 14 August. Individual year groups will attend as follows:

Wednesday 12 August	<b>S1, S5 and S6 only</b>
Thursday 13 August	<b>S1 and S3 only</b>
Friday 14 August	<b>S2 and S4 only</b>

**All pupils will return full-time from Monday, 17 August.**

**Arrangements for induction days:**

S2 - 6 pupils should report to their registration class for 8.50am. Pupils should enter the building as directed by staff. S1 pupils should report to the front playground and will be escorted to class by their Register Teacher. There will be no entry to the school building until 8.40am and pupils are encouraged to remain outside in the school grounds. The main entrance should only be used if a pupil has to sign in late.

Pupils should arrive in full school uniform and bring PE kit suitable for outdoor activities.

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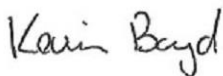
During an extended registration, young people will be introduced to new daily routines. This will include hygiene practice of washing or sanitising hands, arrangements for entering/exiting, movement around the school and interval/lunch breaks. A range of safety measures are in place, in line with Scottish Government guidance, to support our return to the school building and these will be shared with our school community in due course. Following this extended registration, pupils will follow their new timetable for the remainder of the day.

School lunches will be available and menus published. In addition, a new App will be introduced that will enable pupils to pre-order and collect food. Young people can bring their own packed lunch. As is normal practice, S1 pupils are not permitted to leave the school premises at lunchtime for the first few weeks.

Parents/carers should not enter the school building or grounds except in an emergency and are asked to contact the school office in advance.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding as we begin the process of returning to the school building full-time. This has been a challenging time for all in our community and we look forward to welcoming our young people back to Strathaven Academy.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Boyd". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear, legible font.

KEVIN BOYD  
Head Teacher