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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re-scheduled in-service day**

I am writing to let you know that the second in-service day for schools across South Lanarkshire has been agreed as follows:

- **Tuesday, 29 September 2020**

You may recall that the original schedule was to begin the new term with two in-service days, but this had to be changed to one day given the Scottish Government announcement that pupils would begin to return to school from Wednesday, 12 August 2020.

The other 3 in-service days remain unchanged giving us 5 in total:

- **Monday, 16 November 2020**
- **Wednesday, 10 February 2021**
- **Thursday, 6 May 2021**

The setting of holiday dates for schools in Scotland requires pupils to attend school for 190 days each year with teachers required to work 195 days, which includes 5 in-service days.

I hope that by sharing this information it will give you some time to plan for these dates when children are not at school.

Yours sincerely

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