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Dear Parents / Carers

UPDATE NO. 7

As you will be aware, in the week prior to the October holiday, the school responded to a positive Covid-19 case which resulted in pupils self-isolating.

The following link provides a reminder of information shared with members of our school community www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/TP-StBenedicts0810

Although this is concerning, I would like to reassure you that the process recognised the school's robust control measures and that there was no evidence of transmission within the school itself.

However, this case demonstrates the importance of following both government and school protocols and guidance. Please refer to my previous updates which are available through the school website.

Moving forwards, I would ask for your support in the area of **wearing of face coverings**. It is essential your child brings a face covering on a daily basis. (exemptions apply)

Please also highlight the importance of wearing a face covering when out in the community at lunchtime and when travelling on school transport.

Study Support 2020

A programme of online classes for our senior pupils is now available through

<http://www.e-sgoil.com/studysupport2020/>

I would strongly encourage senior pupils to engage at this stage.

Director of Children's Services: Steven Quinn

SQA Update

John Swinney recently announced a number of measures for the awarding of National Courses at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher in 2020-21. Departments are currently engaging with the guidance issued.

A summary of key points :

- National 5 level - there will be no external assessment of National 5 courses this year – either by an exam or by coursework. Internal assessments and teacher judgement will be used to provide grading.
- Higher and Advanced Higher – there will be externally assessed exams, including the completion of coursework where appropriate.

For more information please click on the link below:

www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/95281.html

For updates please follow our twitter account @stbenedictsren and website www.oraetlabora.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support.



Alan Taylor

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