Advice for S1 – S3 students during the school closure: January 2021

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Dear parent/carer and BGE student,

This summary has been compiled to assist parents/carers and young people from St Mungo's through this challenging period of school closure. We will provide updates regularly to ensure that everyone has the latest information without overwhelming you. This note contains summaries about learning provision, communication channels, and contact details for school staff.

At present, we do not have any information when students can physically return; this is clearly dependent on guidance from the Scottish Government and we will act and communicate to parents and pupils as quickly as possible.

Communication from teachers

Teachers will communicate with students through TEAMS and GLOW. Additional information/updates will be provided and shared through the school website or whole school and subject twitter feeds. Parents/carers will receive all communication through groupcall and email.

Links:

Twitter: https://twitter.com/StMungosFalkirk - There is a dedicated pupil and parent/carer section

School website: http://www.stmungoshighschool.co.uk/

Accessing GLOW and Microsoft TEAMS: http://www.stmungoshighschool.co.uk/home-learning/

Access to a device

If you require access to a device to complete schoolwork or need internet support, please contact Mr McKay. If you need paper copies or any other resources required to support learning, let us know.

Main school contact: stuart.mckay@falkirk.gov.uk

Contacting school staff

Pupils and their families will still be able to contact their Year Head or Pastoral Head (by House) throughout the period of school closure. Relevant e-mail addresses are shared at the end of this communication and will also be available on the school website.

In addition, our Pastoral team and Miss Jess (DHT Pastoral) will have regular contact with pupils who are more vulnerable due to individual circumstance/s. Regular contact with families and partner agencies will continue with supports offered as required.

There is a devoted page to wellbeing on the school website which can be accessed by clicking here

Weekly work schedule

Teachers will set weekly work tasks for students to complete, so they should check their TEAMS on Monday morning. Instructions for work to be completed will be sent electronically. Please keep in touch with teachers if you cannot attend lessons or meet deadlines.

Course Choice and Timetabling 2021-2022

Pupils in the current S2, S3, S4 and S5 cohorts are due to complete their course choice process – these dates will be observed so that can prepare for the new timetable. The dates for starting the course choice process are:

Third Year 19 January Second Year 9 February Fourth and Fifth Year 5 March

Main school contact/s for course choice and timetabling:

Timetabling and subject provision: patricia.kane@falkirk.gov.uk

Contact Details

If you have any questions that you need answered, please contact the relevant person.

Head Teacher <u>stephen.phee@falkirk.gov.uk</u>

• DHT S1-S2 - stuart.mckay@falkirk.gov.uk

• DHT S3 – S4 <u>patricia.kane@falkirk.gov.uk</u>

DHT S5 – S6 <u>clare.marshall@falkirk.gov.uk</u>

• DHT Pastoral anne-marie.jess@falkirk.gov.uk

Pupil Support queries:

• Mrs Nicky Bell <u>nicola.bell@falkirk.gov.uk</u>

Pastoral Staff - S2 & S3 students (by House):

- Andrew sharon.downie@falkirk.gov.uk
- Kenitgern <u>Alison.mackay@falkirk.gov.uk</u>
- Margaret Jane.cleghorn@falkirk.gov.uk
- Ninian S2 <u>alison.rollo@falkirk.gov.uk</u> S3 <u>ford.beveridge@falkirk.gov.uk</u>
- Columba 52 ford.beveridge@falkirk.gov.uk 53 clementina.beer@falkirk.gov.uk
- Ogilvie sarah.mcleary@falkirk.gov.uk

Pastoral Staff – S1 students (by House):

- Andrew & Kentigern Houses sharon.downie@falkirk.gov.uk
- Margaret <u>lisa.doran@falkirk.gov.uk</u>
- Ninian <u>jane.palencarova@falkirk.gov.uk</u>
- Columba & Ogilvie Houses jacqueline.pollock@falkirk.gov.uk

Useful Links

Current Falkirk Council Corona virus information

https://www.falkirk.gov.uk/covid19/

Advice to Schools and FAQs regarding Corona Virus

https://www.falkirk.gov.uk/covid19/

Coronavirus in schools – Scottish Government

https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/

NHS Advice

https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19

SQA Coronavirus statement

https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/93598.html

Coronavirus helpline - 0800 028 2816

Other Supports

- Foodbanks https://falkirk.foodbank.org.uk/
- Citizens Advice https://www.falkirkcab.org.uk/
- NHS Inform www.nhsinform.scot
- Childline 0800 1111 <u>www.childline.org.uk</u>
- Police Scotland phone 101
- SEE ME Scotland <u>www.seemescotland.org/young-people</u>
- Mental Health Foundation https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/
- Lifelink www.lifelink.org.uk/how-we-can-help/young-people