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Dear Parents and Carers

You will probably all be aware of the Scottish Government's announcement regarding a phased return to secondary schools for some pupils from Monday 22 February 2021.

The approach is cautious, and will be reviewed by the Government in two weeks' time.

While it is a slight chink of light at the end of the tunnel, we are acutely aware that this will not be a whole-school return, and we need to wait for more detail to establish what we can and cannot do. The first priority will always be to adhere to public health advice, in order to keep our pupils, their families, and the staff safe.

Please be assured that we have already begun our discussions around what a phased return might look like for Dunedin, who it will involve, the logistics of teaching pupils both in school and at home, and how we adapt teaching and learning in this new phase. Like all schools, we need to wait for more detailed guidance – and the outcome of the review in two weeks' time – to finalise any plans. We know this will be frustrating for everyone, but we will let you know how we will manage the phased return, and for which pupils, as soon as we possibly can.

Many thanks to all of you who have returned a questionnaire recently. Your responses are really helpful. If you have not returned one, and you have a moment to do so, we would be very grateful.

In the meantime, we hope everyone can enjoy some peace and rest over the February break. We will be holding an online pupils' social get-together to end the term tomorrow, from 2.00pm to 2.30pm, and look forward to seeing pupils back online at 9.30am on Tuesday 16 February.

Kind regards
Staff at Dunedin School