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S1 / S2 Online Learning Parents' Evening

Dear Parent/Carer,

For the first time since last summer, we have encountered significant challenges with COVID and other absences amongst teaching staff. We have had to take the difficult decision this week to move back to online learning for S1 and S2 for Thursday 20th January and Friday 21st January this week and we will review our position for next week on Friday. I realise this is difficult and want to assure you we have tried everything possible to avoid this. We have discussed the situation with the authority and have used every means possible to keep everyone in school, but we have no choice at this point but to use this option now. Senior Pupils are studying for and sitting Prelim Exams throughout this month and we wish them well for these important assessments. I guarantee that we will minimise disruption as much as possible and keep this as brief as possible. Pupils will be able to access work for Thursday, Friday on Teams where various activities will be set for them.

The second item for this letter is to update you on our approach to Parents' Evenings. We have re-arranged and postponed these into this year, hoping for the ability to meet face to face. We now know this isn't currently possible. However, we recognise that at least for S1,2,3, you have not had these at all in Lockerbie Academy and no-one has had these for at least two years. Therefore, we have purchased online software that will allow us to hold Parents' Evenings with you virtually. The website can be accessed at the following address for you to look at. We will send you a message and a link to your phones so you can sign up for appointments, starting with S2 next Tuesday, 25th January:

<https://parents-booking.com/>



[Schedule your school's parents' evenings, in-person or by video meeting, online | Parents Booking](https://parents-booking.com/)

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The plan for the year is as follows:

Year Group	Parents' Evening	Curriculum Information Evening
S1	Thursday 26 th May 4.30 – 6.30p.m.	
S2	Tuesday, 25 th January 4.30 – 6.30p.m.	Thurs 27 th Jan (5.00 – 6.00p.m.)
S3	Wednesday, 2 nd February 4.30 – 6.30	Tues 8 th Feb (5.00 – 6.00p.m.)
S4 S5 S6	Wednesday, 23 rd February 4.30 – 6.30p.m. Thursday, 3 rd March 4.30 – 6.30p.m.	Tues 8 th Feb (6.00 – 7.00p.m.)

Thank you for your partnership and patience as we continue to work through challenging times together. Hopefully, the end of this isn't too far away.

Yours faithfully,

Brian Asher

Headteacher