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**To: Education and Children's Services Policy Board**

**On: Thursday 20 August 2020**

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**Report by: Director of Children's Services**

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**Heading: Amendment to Agreed School Holiday Arrangements School Session 2020/2021**

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## **1. Summary**

- 1.1. The Education and Children's Services Policy Board is asked to approve the amendment to the pattern of school holiday arrangements for the school session beginning August 2020.
  - 1.2. Following the COVID-19 Pandemic the Scottish Government Guidance Document "The Strategic Framework for the Reopening of Schools and ELC Provision" confirms that the start date of the new term is standardised to 11 August 2020, across all council's in Scotland on an exceptional basis for the purposes of managing COVID-19. This requires LNCTs to take decisions regarding the calendar of school holidays for session 2020/2021.
  - 1.3. In line with consultation arrangements, staff, parent councils, pupil councils, teaching and other trade unions were circulated the proposed arrangements for consideration.
  - 1.4. These arrangements require teachers to return to work on Monday 10 August, with 10 August and 11 August allocated to in-service days with pupils returning to school on Wednesday 12 August. The additional two days worked in August will be moved to the Christmas break with schools stopping on Friday 18 December 2020 instead of Tuesday 22 December 2020.
  - 1.5. The majority of consultees voted in favour of the amendment detailed in appendix 1 to this report. Appendix 2 is a summary of consultation responses.
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## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. Members of the Education and Children's Services Policy Board are asked to note the revised school holiday arrangements for academic year 2020/2021 in line with appendix 1 to this report.
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## **3. Background**

- 3.1. Each year the Education and Children's Services Policy Board is asked to determine a framework for school holiday arrangements for the session beginning in August of the following year.
- 3.2. The Scottish Government Guidance Document "The Strategic Framework for the Reopening of Schools and ELC Provision" confirms that the start date of the new term is standardised to 11 August 2020, across all council's in Scotland on an exceptional basis for the purposes of managing COVID-19. This requires LNCTs to take decisions regarding the calendar of school holidays for session 2020/2021.
- 3.3. Consultation has taken place with staff, parent councils, pupil councils, teaching and other trade unions for consideration on the proposal as detailed in Appendix 1.
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## **Implications of this report**

- 1. Financial Implications**  
None.
- 2. HR and Organisational Development Implications**  
None.
- 3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications**  
None.
- 4. Legal Implications**  
None.
- 5. Property/Assets Implications**  
None.
- 6. Information Technology Implications**  
None.
- 7. Equality and Human Rights Implications**  
The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights.

No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because for example it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

**8. Health and Safety Implications**

None.

**9. Procurement Implications**

None.

**10. Risk Implications**

None.

**11. Privacy Impact**

None.

**12. Cosla Policy Position**

None.

**13. Climate Risk**

None.

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**List of Background Papers**

(a) Background Paper 1: Proposed School Holiday Arrangements – 2020/2021

The foregoing background papers will be retained within children's services for inspection by the public for the prescribed period of four years from the date of the meeting. The contact officer within the service is (Laura Baillie, Resources Support Manager, 0141 618 7185, [laura.baillie@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:laura.baillie@renfrewshire.gov.uk))

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Renfrewshire Council		Appendix 1			
		2 in-service days on return in August			
		1 Day St Andrews Day			
Agreed School Holiday Arrangements - Amended June 2020		Finish Friday 18 December 2020			
		2 Day February Break			
		1 day End of May			
2020/2021		Finish Friday 25 June 2021			
		In-Service Days After Holidays (Except for August)			
Option A					
Term	Break	Dates of Attendance			
First		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 10 August 2020 (IS)		
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 11 August 2020 (IS)		
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 12 August 2020		
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 25 September 2020		
		Schools Closed	Monday 28 September 2020		
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 29 September 2020		
	Mid Term	Schools Closed	Monday 12 October 2020		
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 13 October 2020		
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 14 October 2020		
		Schools Closed	Thursday 15 October 2020		
		Schools Closed	Friday 16 October 2020		
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 19 October 2020 (IS)		
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 20 October 2020		
	St Andrew's Day	Schools Closed	Monday 30 November 2020		
		Schools Re-open	Tuesday 1 December 2020		
	Christmas	Schools Closed	Monday 21 December 2020		
			Schools Closed	Tuesday 22 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Wednesday 23 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Thursday 24 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Friday 25 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Monday 28 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Tuesday 29 December 2020	
			Schools Closed	Wednesday 30 December 2020	
		Second		Schools Closed	Thursday 31 December 2020
				Schools Closed	Friday 1 January 2021
				Schools Closed	Monday 4 January 2021
			Schools Closed	Tuesday 5 January 2021	
			Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 6 January 2021	
Mid-Term	Schools Closed	Monday 8 February 2021			
	Schools Closed	Tuesday 9 February 2021			
	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Wednesday 10 February 2021 (IS)			
	Schools Re-Open	Thursday 11 February 2021			
Spring	Schools Closed	Friday 2 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Monday 5 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Tuesday 6 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Wednesday 7 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Thursday 8 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Friday 9 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Monday 12 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Tuesday 13 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Wednesday 14 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Thursday 15 April 2021			
	Schools Closed	Friday 16 April 2021			
	Schools Re-Open	Monday 19 April 2021			
Third	May Day	Schools Closed	Monday 3 May 2021		
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 4 May 2021 (IS)		
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 5 May 2021		
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Monday 31 May 2021		
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 1 June 2021		
	End of session	Schools Closed	Monday 28 June 2021		
Teachers Return -	Thursday 12 August 2021				
(IS) - In-Service Day					
In-Service Days	(Only Staff Attend on these days - No Pupils)				
	Monday	10/08/20			
	Tuesday	11/08/20			
	Monday	19/10/20			
	Wednesday	10/02/21			
	Tuesday	04/05/21			



APPENDIX 2						
	Yes			No		
	School	Parent Council	Pupil Council	School	Parent Council	Pupil Council
<b>Secondary schools</b>						
Castlehead High School	Yes					
Gleniffer High School	Yes	Yes				
Gryffe High School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Johnstone High School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Linwood High School				No		
Paisley Grammar	Yes					
Park Mains High School	Yes					
Renfrew High School						
St Andrew's Academy	Yes					
St Benedict's High School	Yes	yes	yes			
Trinity High School	Yes			No		
TOTAL						
<b>Primary schools</b>						
Arkleston Primary School						
Auchenlodment Primary School - Nursery						
Bargarran Primary School+A60	yes	yes	yes			
Barsail Primary School						
Bishopton Primary School						
Bredland Primary School						
Bridge of Weir Primary School - Nursery						
Bushes Primary School - Nursery						
Cochrane Castle Primary School				no	no	no
East Fulton Primary School - Nursery	yes	yes	yes			
Fordbank Primary School	Yes	Yes				
Gallowhill Primary School - Nursery						
Glencoats Primary School						
Heriot Primary School - Nursery	Yes					
Houston Primary School - Nursery						
Howwood Primary School						
Inchinnan Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Kilbarchan Primary School						
Kirklandneuk Primary School	Yes			No		
Langbank Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Langcraigs Primary School	yes	yes				
Lochfield Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Lochwinnoch Primary School - Nursery						
Mossvale Primary School - SA Nursery		Yes		No		
Newmains Primary School						
Our Lady of Peace Primary School - Nursery	Yes					
Ralston Primary School - Nursery	yes	yes	yes			
Rashielea Primary School						
St Anne's Primary School - Nursery						
St Anthony's Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St Catherine's Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St Charles' Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St David's Primary School		Yes	Yes	No		
St Fergus' Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St Fillan's Primary School	Yes			No		
St James' Primary School (Paisley)						
St James' Primary School (Renfrew)	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St John Bosco Primary School - SA Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes			
St John Ogilvie Primary School						
St Margaret's Primary School - SA Nursery						
St Mary's Primary School - Nursery						
St Paul's Primary School						
St Peter's Primary School - Nursery						
Thorn Primary School						
Todholm Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Wallace Primary School - Nursery						
West Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Williamsburgh Primary School - SA Nursery	yes		yes	no		
Woodlands Primary School	Yes	Yes				
<b>ASN schools</b>						
Riverbrae						
Mary Russell School	Yes					
<b>Early Learning and Childcare Centres</b>						
Douglas Street ELCC	Yes					
Ferguslie ELCC						
Foxlea ELCC						
Glenburn ELCC						
Glendee ELCC						
Glenfield ELCC						
Hugh Smiley ELCC						
Moorpark ELCC						
Paisley ELCC						
Spateston ELCC						
West Johnstone ELCC						
Totals	33	23	19	4	5	1
Overall Total		75			10	