

Parent Comments and Feedback Week ending 29.8.21

The table below gives feedback on questions raised by parents/carers as part of weekly HT Update that will be of use for other parents to be aware of. Specific questions related directly to your child will be privately responded to as soon as possible by most relevant person.

Theme of question submitted	HT Feedback
Mobile Phone policy	Teachers will allow use of mobile phone/device to access internet if it is appropriate for lesson. If pupils using phone without permission, teacher will ask pupil to put away, if out again, teacher will, from today, now ask pupil to place it in a wall hung phone holder (this removes potential area of conflict that can arise if asked to give direct to teacher) If issues persist a duty call will be raised.
Online Parents Evening	Parents interviews for Senior phase Evenings will increase from 5 mins to either 6 or 7 mins (tbc). A balance has to be struck as more time per appointment means less appointments overall can be accommodated on each evening
Review of lunchtime and pupils in school	30 min lunchtime is a Covid mitigation with all pupils in school. No change possible. As soon as mitigations are allowed to be changed then we will review this current position. My feeling at moment is when we can make changes, a continuation of 2 morning intervals makes sense to allow space and shorter queues to continue but a return to 1 longer lunchtime with pupils able to leave the building or have dinner/packed lunch in school would be preferable.
Access to Toilets	We are introducing, from today, designated toilets. S1/S2 pupils, S3/S4 pupils, S5/S6 pupils now have identified toilets to use. This makes sense from a wellbeing and pupil confidence viewpoint. Teachers apply common sense and allow pupils to use toilets during class time but as you would expect there is an expectation pupils use toilets at intervals and do not abuse this trust.
Extra-curricular clubs	Pupil Notices give the most up to date and accurate info on extra-curricular clubs. There will be an overview of clubs issued via school app at the beginning of each month. First club overview was messaged yesterday.
Warm building	The building has been warm the last week! Windows are open where they can be.
Access to water	Water is available across 3 mains water outlets that can be found on various floors across the school
Virtual Campus	Links were being sent to pupils on Friday and some more today. If a pupil has not received a link by today please see Mrs McLean.
Download school app	'School App for Parents' can be downloaded from Apple Store or Google Play. Once downloaded then type in Linlithgow Academy. https://apps.apple.com/us/app/school-app-for-parents/id1309721219 https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.appscentral.psa&hl=en_GB&gl=US