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### **Arrangements for Remote Learning** **11<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year from everyone in school!



I hope you were able to enjoy the holiday period in spite of the tighter restrictions in place for all.

#### **School Provision**

It was announced by the First Minister on Monday 4 January that the remote learning period for pupils is to be extended. The expectation now is for all pupils who are able to be supported at home will engage in **remote learning from Monday 11 January to Friday 29 January**. This is to be reviewed on the 18 January.

School will remain open and we will be supporting the pupils of key workers and families who require additional assistance in the school building. All of the families with pupils being supported in school have been notified separately and have been provided with all of the necessary details of how this is to be structured.

#### **Remote Learning**



- All teaching staff will be supporting online learning (at home) through Seesaw alongside offering supervision in school for those pupils in the building.
- Class Teachers will plan **three** main activity tasks each day (1 x Literacy, 1 x Numeracy and Mathematics and 1 x Inter Disciplinary Learning/Topic) and **one** further additional health and wellbeing activity.
- All pupils being supported in school will receive access to the online materials in line with their class mates.

**\*\*Please note** - On the days that your child's class teacher is working in school they would continue to post the scheduled work for that day but would not be available on Seesaw until the following day. Class teachers will notify you of the days this is happening at the beginning of the week.

#### **Seesaw**

We distributed QR codes accompanied by instructions for downloading the necessary 'Family' and 'Class' Seesaw apps prior to the holiday period for all pupils in school. We have since sent messages to all parents and carers asking that you contact the school directly if you have not received this information. Please contact Lynsey Quinn if you still require the information necessary to connect to Seesaw [LQuinn@hillhead-pri.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:LQuinn@hillhead-pri.glasgow.sch.uk) and she will make arrangements to have them emailed directly to you.

Seesaw is primarily a platform to ensure positive and consistent engagement for your child(ren) with their class teacher and we are all looking forward to supporting our pupils and their families with this next phase of remote/online learning.

We would of course welcome any feedback and this along with any queries regarding the provision in place should be directed to our Senior Leadership Team in the first instance. Two members of our Senior Leadership Team will be in school every day (339 1365) and we will all remain available via email on a daily basis. Please find our email addresses below.

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## Structure of the Day



Please find below an example of how the day can be structured for your child(ren). I have provided the time that class teachers will be available online to offer support and guidance for pupils.

We appreciate that all families will be managing very difficult and varied situations at home and there is no absolute expectation that your child(ren) will engage at these exact times or in this specific way. We felt it would offer some support to know exactly when your child's teachers will be available to provide guidance and help with the activities that have been set.

There is also no expectation that all tasks/activities are undertaken, parents and carers should take care to find the correct balance of supporting their child's learning and supporting their child's wellbeing.

Seesaw will provide the opportunity for your child's work to be shared with their class teacher and the class teacher can provide feedback during the times they are working online.

Materials need not be printed out, pupils can use paper to complete work and this can be photographed and sent in via Seesaw too. If any families would benefit from jotters or additional materials (pencils, sharpeners, rubbers, colouring pencils/crayons etc please contact us directly and we will provide this for you to collect.

Time	
09.00	Scheduled work is available to view on Seesaw
09.00	<b>Activity Tasks - 1</b> Class Teachers will be online to support your child's learning
10.30	BREAK
11.00	<b>Activity Tasks - 2</b> Class Teachers will be online to support your child's learning
12.15	LUNCH
13.10	<b>Activity Tasks - 3</b> Class Teachers will be online to support your child's learning
14.30	Class Teachers will engage in planning and preparation tasks and <b>online support will end for the day</b>
15.10	End of the normal school working day

This will be our very first few days of using Seesaw and whilst we are confident that it will work smoothly and effectively, we also realise there may be some technical challenges for us to work through in the initial phase of our whole school roll out. Please contact us as soon as possible should you encounter any difficulties connecting and engaging with Seesaw.

Please also understand that our school remains open, albeit with reduced numbers of pupils and staff attending, and we are here to support you if and when you need us.

We have made plans to contact all families directly over the next two weeks but do not hesitate to call or email into school should you require any additional support or guidance.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Robson".

Andrew Robson  
Head Teacher