



First Class

COVID-19 Special – Edition 2

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COVID-19

We would like to reassure parents that we are following the NHS Guidance for Educational Settings in relation to COVID-19.

Until otherwise informed we are operating as usual. Please do not contact us about possible closures as we do not have any information regarding this.

The main change to our usual school routine is the increase in handwashing.

Handwashing

Children, pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands for 20 seconds:

- before leaving home
- on arrival at school/setting
- after using the toilet
- after breaks and sporting activities
- before food preparation
- before eating any food, including snacks
- before leaving school/setting
- On arrival at before and after school club

We are beginning to notice that some children's hands are beginning to dry out and crack. Please feel free to provide a moisturiser that they can apply throughout the school day.

My child is unwell. What should I do?

Following government advice, if your child is displaying any of the symptoms linked to Coronavirus they must remain at home for 7 days from when their symptoms started.

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough

Please contact the school and state this as the reason for your child's absence.

Other people in your household will need to remain at home for 14 days since the start of the symptoms. Even if they don't have symptoms. If anyone else develops symptoms within the 14 days, they need to stay at home for 7 days from the day their symptoms began. They should do this even if it takes them over the 14 day isolation period. (advice taken from NHS inform)

Contact NHS 111 or your GP Surgery if you are concerned about the symptoms.

Useful links

www.nhsinform.scot

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19

Planning

As a school, we always have a business continuity plan for adverse weather or emergency school closures. Considering recent events, we have reviewed these plans. Please ensure your child can access Glow and Education City and keep a copy of these passwords at home. Contact class teachers with any password related issues.

Lendrick Muir

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the P7 residential trip to Lendrick Muir next week. Understandable this is a huge disappointment to all involved. Thank you to the P7 parents and pupils for their understanding. We will be in touch as soon as we have more information.

Extra-Curricular Activities

All active school and other extra-curricular activities have been cancelled until further notice. Sorry for the inconvenience this might cause. Please note that the Club (before/after school care) are still operating as normal.

Dates for Diary

All remaining events for this term have been cancelled. This includes Lendrick Muir, P2 Class Assembly, P3H and P5C Learning Café and the Parent Council Shopping Evening.