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Dear Parent / Carer

Arrangements for returning on 7th January 2021

Scottish Government has issued revised opening arrangements for schools and Early Learning Centres (ELCs) from Thursday 7th January. Children and young people, with the exception of the most vulnerable and the children of key workers, will not return to school/ELC (physically) until at least 18th January 2021.

Arrangements for 7th and 8th January

Schools and ELC classes will reopen on these days for children of key workers. If you consider yourself to be a keyworker, and have no alternative childcare for these two days, your child can attend as normal. You will find the latest Scottish Government advice on key worker status [here](#). There is no need to contact the school /ELC in advance. All transport will continue to operate to all schools as per the usual arrangements.

Over the course of these days, your school/ELC will issue an online form for you to complete to gather more information. They will then be able to confirm if you meet the criteria and confirm if **in school** learning or **remote** learning will be provided for your child from Monday 11th January

Children from our specialist provisions (Alva ASD – Primary & Secondary, Lochies, Alloa EASN, PSSS and CSSS) should attend school from the 7th January regardless of their parent / carer keyworker status. Parent/Carers of children who have shielding letters are advised to seek advice from the appropriate health professional before deciding whether their child should attend school.

From the 11th January

Schools and ELCs will provide in school learning for children of keyworkers and our most vulnerable children. Remote learning will be in place for all other children and young people who will be at home.

A further payment of £15 will be made to families of children who are entitled to Free School Meals.



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As we officially come to the end of the school term, I would just like to take the opportunity to thank Head Teachers, Managers and all school and ELC staff for all their hard work over the past eleven months. They have been managing so many COVID related issues as well as the normal business in schools / ELCs. They continue to work tirelessly to put arrangements in place and I am extremely grateful for their continued flexibility and commitment to maintaining learning in very challenging circumstances.

Thank you also to all Parent/Carers and to the extended Clackmannanshire family for your patience and support during these challenging time.

Please keep checking the Childcare and Learning pages on our website <https://www.clacks.gov.uk/coronavirus/learningandchildcareinformation/> for the latest updates and information. Please contact education@clacks.gov.uk for any enquiries.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Catherine Quinn".

Catherine Quinn
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