# Advice for all families during the school closure: January 2021

This summary has been compiled to assist parents/carers and young people from St Mungo's through this challenging period of school closure. We will provide updates regularly to ensure that everyone has the latest information without overwhelming you. This note contains summaries about learning provision, communication channels, and contact details for school staff.

At present, we do not have any information when students can physically return; this is clearly dependent on guidance from the Scottish Government and we will act and communicate to parents and pupils as quickly as possible.

# **Communication from School**

Teachers will communicate with children through Google Classroom. Additional information/updates will be provided and shared through the helpdesk Google Classroom or whole school and class twitter feeds. Parents/carers will receive all communication through groupcall and email. Please advise the school of a change of phone number or email address.

Twitter: @stmungoalloa

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/cl/stmungosrcps/

Access to a device

If you are struggling to gain access to a device for children to engage in online learning please contact the school. Remember Xbox and Playstation 4 devices will allow children to see the Google Classroom. <u>https://twitter.com/missmcewan2/status/1346794654382092292?s=27</u>

Instructions can be found here. Unfortunately children cannot attend Google Meets on gaming consoles.

# Contacting school staff

Children and their families will be able to contact class teachers by:

Using the Google Classroom Stream Joining planned Google Meets Emailing the class teachers directly Using the Helpdesk Google Classroom

School staff will endeavour to check in with families regularly. An online form will be sent to families weekly for a virtual check in.

The school office will be open during normal school hours and Mrs Wood can be emailed directly: 01259 724061

clnwood@glow.sch.uk

### Weekly Work Schedule

A weekly schedule, in the form of a SWAY, will be sent to families on a Friday afternoon for the following week. Teachers will invite children to join Google Meets across the week – at least 1 per day. Some will be whole class lessons some will be group work.

These meets are an offer and it may be that children are unable to attend every meet.

There is an expectation that children will engage regularly with online learning – most days.

Please note for safeguarding purposes all meetings will be recorded. Joining the meeting implies consent to the recording.

#### Useful Links

Current Cackmannanshire Council Coronavirus information

https://www.clacks.gov.uk/coronavirus/generalinformation/

Coronavirus in Schools – Scottish Government

https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/

#### NHS Advice

https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19

## **Other Supports**

Foodbanks - http://www.the-gate-charity.org/what-we-do/foodbank/ Citizens Advice - <u>https://www.clackscab.org.uk</u>

NHS Inform <u>www.nhsinform.scot</u>

Childline 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

Police Scotland – phone 101

SEE ME Scotland <a href="http://www.seemescotland.org/young-people">www.seemescotland.org/young-people</a>

Mental Health Foundation - <u>https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/</u>

Lifelink www.lifelink.org.uk/how-we-can-help/young-people