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Dear Parent/ Carer

Learning Arrangements for School Closure

You will be aware that the UK and Scottish Government have made the decision to close schools on Friday 20th March 2020 in response to the spread of Covid-19 (Coronavirus).

I would like to reassure you that we have plans in place to make sure our pupils have every opportunity to continue their education regardless of the circumstances we may face. We have set up two new pages on our school website, through which you can access information and guidance to support Remote Learning in the coming days and weeks:

Primary 1-7:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/Giffnock/parents/remote-learning/>

Nursery:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/Giffnock/giffnock-nursery-class/nursery-remote-learning/>

Our Remote Learning Policy and Guidelines therein reflects a clear commitment to reinforce skills and to give our pupils access to learning activities that will meet their needs, building upon prior learning.

Our staff will follow the class timetable as far as possible with reinforcement and consolidation of skills and concepts. All classes from Primary 1 to Primary 7 have a Google Classroom which will be the main place where learning will be shared. 'How to' guides and further information that we hope will support all of our families are also available on the website pages through the link above.

In order to support Government advice the following is advised at home:

- Reinforce NHS guidance:
 - Wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitizer gel, regularly throughout the day
 - Catch your cough or sneeze in a tissue, bin it, and wash your hands
 - Cough / sneeze into your sleeve if no tissue

I want to thank you for your recent understanding as we have had to make changes to planned events and activities within the school, however we want to ensure we are helping protect our community as well as our pupils. On behalf of our staff team, may I wish you all our care, thoughts and best wishes for the days ahead.

Kind regards

Rob Lawson

Head Teacher