



ST. MARK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/ Carer,

As you will be aware this Friday will signal a move to Tier 4 COVID-19 restrictions for residents in East Renfrewshire. While the move to Level 4 locally will introduce a number of new restrictions, it is important to stress that this is not a return to the lockdown situation that we faced earlier this year, with **schools and nurseries remaining open**. There have been huge efforts made by everyone over the last few months and the number of positive cases across schools and nurseries remain low.

In the hopefully unlikely event that your child was to display symptoms and subsequently test positive for Coronavirus, it is essential that you email the school as soon as you receive an official email from the NHS. The email address is SchoolMail@st-marks.e-renfrew.sch.uk and this email address is monitored outwith school hours, including weekends. The sooner we know about any positive cases as a school, the quicker we can act upon this information and work with Test and Protect to identify any close contacts. I would also urge you and your children to avoid sharing this information on social media, as this can cause confusion and uncertainty in the community. We will always contact those families who require to respond and would remind everyone to follow official public health advice.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the children for their ongoing resilience and for following all the measures so well, and to thank you for your support and partnership as we work hard to keep the children safe, happy and learning in St. Mark's.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Hutcheson
Head Teacher