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Dear Parent / Carer,

***Updated Covid Guidance November 2020***

The Scottish Government announced on Thursday 29 November 2020 that East Renfrewshire Council was now in level 3 of current Covid tiered measures. Further strengthened guidance to reduce the risk of Covid-19 in schools has been published by the Scottish Government following updated scientific and public health advice.

Further to the letter to parents from the Director of Education, Mark Ratter, please find school specific details below:

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| **Face Coverings**Thank you for your ongoing support with wearing face coverings at the school gate. Parents and carers are required to wear a face covering at drop off and pick up times. Children over the age of 5 are required to wear a face covering on school transport.All adults in class are required to wear a face covering where they cannot keep 2m distance from other staff or children with some exceptions in P1/2.  | **Outdoor Clothing** As a school we have purchased outdoor waterproofs for each child and will be receiving these in the coming weeks. This will allow each class to be suitably protected from the weather when outdoors. Could I please request that all children come to school with a set of indoor and outdoor shoes. As our playground can get very muddy (which is part of the fun of learning outdoors) we have found that our indoor carpets are being damaged by muddy shoes from outdoors.  |
| **Physical Education and Sport** Physical education and sport will only be taking place outdoors. As we have experienced some very wet weather of late, please note this will take place and when we can facilitate this in the week to ensure children have their weekly allocation of physical activity.   | **Physical Distancing**Could I please request that parents adhere to 2m social distancing at the schools gates and ask that parents of children in P4-7 stand back and let parents of P1-3 collect their children and vacate the gate first.  |
| **School Staffing** Our school staff operate in the two school zones, inclusive of our PSAs, to minimising spread of infection. We are fortunate to have teachers supporting the learning in each class this session and many of our children benefit from their input. We will endeavour to continue to offer these additional support groups as far as possible, however as we may have to respond to increasing numbers of staff absences for many reasons including teachers being asked to self-isolate, this may mean that these teachers may be redeployed to cover classes more frequently. While I appreciate this is not ideal, unfortunately under these circumstances it is unavoidable. Please be assured that your child’s class teachers will continue to offer additional support in the class if and when they require it. |

At all times this year the health and wellbeing of the children at Uplawmoor has been our priority. Please be assured these measures are will be implemented in a sensitive way for your children.

As always please do not hesitate to get in touch should you have any queries.

**Kindest regards,



**Jacqueline Dunn**

**Acting Head Teacher**

*Uplawmoor Primary School*