



Head Teacher K McAlaney

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# Parental Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family have had a restful and enjoyable break. Today's update is to give you a brief overview of arrangements for the next few weeks as well as explain arrangements for children of key workers with no alternative childcare available. More information will be shared as we get it over the next few days.

# What are the changes?

You will be aware that at the end of term in December the plan was that the start of the school term would be delayed for pupils until Mon 11<sup>th</sup> January and that it would be remote learning for the first week of term with a plan for pupils to return to school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January. This has now changed and when term begins for pupils on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January they will engage in remote learning for the whole of January.

# How will remote learning work in practice?

The new term for staff still begins on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> January and staff will be spending time this week working on getting resources and support in place for pupils for the 11<sup>th</sup> January. More information will be sent out to parents and pupils before the end of this week in relation to remote learning and expectations. Pupils have had their iPads for a while now and have been using them in class and at home as well as receiving lessons on how to use Teams, One Drive etc. A reminder we have our own YouTube channel where you will find a range of videos that will support pupils and parents with remote learning:

# https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGGLSsvH065TkKC8e4bnByg/playlists

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For now, the most important thing is to ensure that pupils can access Teams pages via their Glow account on their iPad. This is where lesson material is uploaded and pupils also receive regular updates and information from their Depute Head Teachers. If your child has forgotten their Glow password, please contact Miss Cuthbertson or Mr Tait (email addresses at the end of this bulletin) with your child's name, class and login (if known) so that the password can be reset in advance of next week.

Last term, Ms Higgins worked with pupils and families to ensure that pupils had wi-fi access at home, please get in touch with her if you have not done so already so the school can support.

# **Childcare for Key Workers**

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If you and your partner are key workers (or if you and are a one-parent households) with no

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alternative childcare available, then please complete this form.

# https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKcFBjz5Lx ahKtdhiqgFEqgFUQIJGUjNDREdEN1ZWWFU2TVhaWjFXUk1CQy4u

Please note, for now this current form is for requests for childcare until Fri 15<sup>th</sup> January and to allow us to answer any queries and arrange a supervision rota it would be helpful for you to complete it by the end of the day tomorrow. Pupils who need to attend from next week should bring their iPad with them so they can access remote learning. A request form for the last two weeks of January will be sent out next week. If you have any queries in relation to this, please contact Mr Richardson or your child's Depute Head Teacher on Wednesday– again all email addresses at the end of this newsletter.

# UCAS applications and College applications

If your child has yet to complete their UCAS application then it is really important that they get in touch with their Pastoral Care Teacher this week as the deadline is next Friday. Mr Neil and Mr Richardson will provide regular updates in relation to college applications, Top Up Programme etc via pupil Teams pages and also in our weekly Parental Newsletter.

I hope this update answers some of the most pressing questions you may have following yesterday's update from the First Minister. I know staff will work very hard this week to prepare for remote learning next week and to provide support for pupils and families. As I said at the beginning of this update, we will continue to share information on other issues as we get it this week.

# **Contact Information**

Below are contact email addresses for members of the leadership team in the school. You can also contact the school office on 0141 582 0100 from 9.00am on Wednesday.

# Need your child's Glow password reset:

Miss Cuthbertson gw10cuthbertsonelain@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

Mr Tait gw16taitdavid1@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

Questions about iPad rollout:

Mr Brown gw17brownstuart@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

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#### Do not have wi-fi at home:

Ms Higgins: gw10higginsnicola@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

#### **Questions about UCAS:**

Contact your Pastoral Care Teacher or Mr Griffin - gw10griffinbrian@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

Ms L Robinson	1E	1F	2F	3A	4A	5A	6A	6G
Ms J Hewitt	2A	2D	3B	4B	5B	6B	6D	
Mr J Greechan	1D	2C	3C	3D	4C	4D	5C	6C
Ms K Campbell	1A	2E	3E	4E	5D	5E	6E	
Mr B Griffin	1B	1C	2B	3F	4F	5F	5G	6F

Miss Hewitt – <u>gw09hewittjenny@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u> Ms Robinson – <u>gw16robinsonlynsey1@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u> Mr Greechan – <u>gw07greechanjohn@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u> Mr Griffin – <u>gw10griffinbrian@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u> Miss Campbell – <u>gw19campbellkirstin@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u>

# Pupil Support Team – Support for Learning, EAL and Nurture:

Please contact Miss McGuire - gw17mcguiresiobhan@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

# Questions about Wider Achievement, College, Work Experience, Foundation Apprenticeships & Careers:

Contact Mr Richardson - gw12richardsonjack@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk



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#### Senior Leadership Team:

- **S1 & S2 pupils**: Mr Richardson <u>gw12richardsonjack@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u>
- **S3 Pupils** Miss Black gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk
- **S4 Pupils** Ms Higgins <u>gw10higginsnicola@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</u>
- S5 and S6 pupils Mr Neil gw10neilsteven@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

Head Teacher: gw10mcalaneykaren@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk

Parent Council: <a href="https://www.hillheadhighparentcouncil@gmail.com">https://www.hillheadhighparentcouncil@gmail.com</a>

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