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Dear Parent / Carer,

Weekly Summary

I hope you have all had a good week and that you and your family continue to keep safe and well.

This week our S1-S3 pupils have concentrated on Hope. Despite the variable weather, our young people continue to impress us with their enthusiasm and commitment. We have posted some examples of their Hope Rainbows and Trees on Twitter – please take a look if you have not already done so. It really reminds us that this situation will not last forever. Next week, our S1-S3 will focus on Community.

As you know, there are different arrangements for S1 and S2 next week as each pupil will be in school for a full day of learning. DHT, Miss McCauley, has shared more specific information about this but – should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact her. When your S1 / S2 child is not in school next week for the full day, they will be accessing learning from West OS. A full day of learning has been planned, giving pupils a chance to develop their knowledge of Learning for Sustainability. This will be issued on their Year Group Team.

If your child has PE, they can come to school in their PE kit (jogging trousers are acceptable) as PE changing rooms will not be available. If your child is in S1-S3, please make sure they are dressed appropriately for the weather. As you know, we are trying to work with pupils outdoors so it is important they wear a rain jacket, if rain is forecast. If you need any help with uniform or clothing, please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher.

If you have sent in a completed consent form for your S1-S3 child to take part in Lateral Flow Testing, we will issue the tests next week. You can still send this form in. All the information you need about this – including the consent form – can be found on our school website. <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/shawlandsacademy/covid-testing/> Consent forms can also be collected from the School Office.

Senior Phase pupils continue to access their learning and engage well. This time has been really useful and important. Next week senior pupils are learning in school on either Wednesday or Thursday – they have been informed which day. Next week we will also issue plans for post-spring break until June 2021, which should help to answer any questions you may have. Assemblies will take place next week for S4-S6 to discuss the plans with them. This will give us an opportunity to talk directly to your child about the plans we have for April – June 2021.

Next week, Year Group assemblies will be posted on Year Group Teams so that pupils can access them at any time. Due to the increasing number of pupils in school next week, assemblies will not take place live.

As you know, this session SQA grades will be awarded through the Alternative Certification Model (ACM). The closing date for the consultation is today and I would urge you to respond, if you have not done so already. This can be accessed through this link https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/96506.html?utm_source=news_story&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=nq2021_appeals&utm_content=appeals_consultation_live.

I am delighted to say that, despite the restrictions, Easter School will take place for our S4-S6 pupils. All pupils have already been issued with a timetable and a Form to sign up. This is through their Year Group Team. Please encourage your child to take part. The support on offer is a mix of learning in school and on Teams. There will also be additional opportunities through E-Sgoil and West OS, which will also be shared directly with your child. If you have any questions about this, please contact your child's Year Head.



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Thank you to all parents and carers who have completed the Parent Carer Teacher Council Survey. They are still keen to hear how best to communicate directly with you. If you have not done so already, please complete this short survey <https://bit.ly/2P0dz5D> If you have any general questions, please contact our Parent Carer Teacher Council directly via e mail shawlandsacademypctc@gmail.com . I am still meeting with the Chair of our PCTC each week, which is a really helpful way for us to keep the channels of communication open (particularly at this time).

I hope that you have a lovely weekend. Next week is a shorter week, with school closing for spring break (at 2.30pm) on Thursday, 1st April.

Very best wishes,

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If you require this letter in a different format or language, please let us know by phoning or e mailing the school (using the contact details provided).

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