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Dear Parent and Carer

Thank you for your patience, understanding and support with us at a time of unprecedented challenge in dealing with Covid-19.

As you know, schools and Early Years and Childcare settings will close to pupils as of end today 20 March. There is no clear indication at this time regarding the length of time the closure will extend to, however we will use the following methods to keep you updated and informed.

- School methods to be included (apps etc.)
- School website address
- Moray Council Website <http://www.moray.gov.uk>
- Moray Council Twitter page: @TheMorayCouncil
- Moray Council Facebook page

We are also making home learning information available in the following ways:

Bishopmill Primary School staff have prepared activities and information for pupils to do while we remain closed. Although at this point we are unsure how long we will remain closed for we have prepared work to last until the end of term four. This information is posted on class sections on our school website. To gain access to the information please follow the guide below.

On the class section, of the school website, there is a file containing lots of activities you could do with your child. Teachers will also add posts on the Monday for suggested activities to do during the week. To contact the school please use the admin email.

School Website Address

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To find class section: Type in the school website address into the address bar. Hover the mouse on the relevant work group you are looking for on the blue bar at the top of the screen. Click on the class that you are looking for. This is where resources and information will be placed.

The Depute First Minister has confirmed that the SQA exam diet and examinations will not go ahead. Schools will be making arrangements for coursework, assessment and units to be completed.



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Schools will be shut to pupils next week however we will continue to be open for staff. We are constantly learning from other countries and would advise you that children and young people should avoid small group gatherings which will increase the spread of the virus. Your support with this is appreciated as we take all necessary steps to avoid such events happening.

It is vitally important that Friday 20 March 2020 remains a normal school day in every sense.

Planning is currently underway to support families who receive Free School Meals. We will use Groupcall/text/primary app/class dojo to find out your requirements for next week. Arrangements for 13 April 2020 onwards will be communicated to you separately.

We are also planning for childcare arrangements for key workers and will be in touch regarding this as national advice develops.

We thank you all for your understanding at this difficult time and will keep you updated.

Yours sincerely

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